

Modeling in aquatic environment

Lecture 10

Data assimilation and data fusion in models

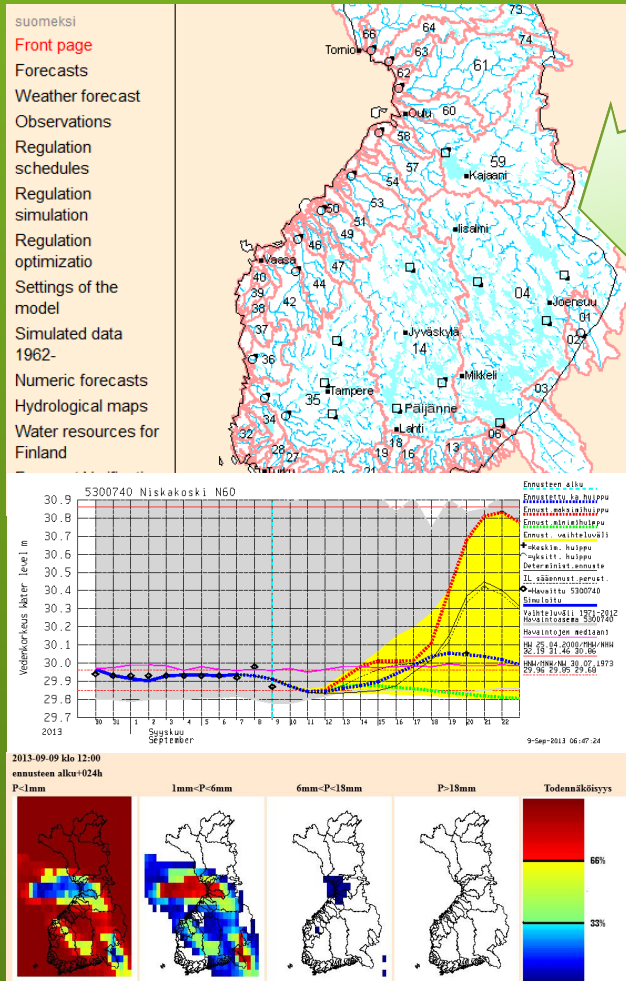
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<http://www.ymparisto.fi/syke/jyvaskyla>

User and operator interface (mobile)

<http://wsfs.vyh.fi>



Full system control

All products and system information

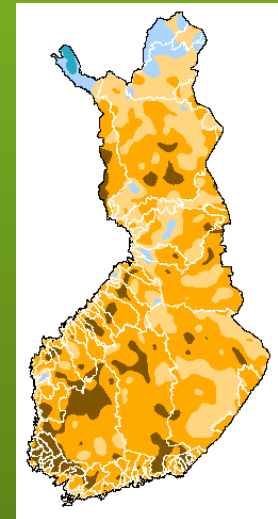
Water situation description

HYDROLOGICAL MODELING AND FORECASTING SYSTEM

Automatic forecasts and maps

Public www

River discharges are low throughout the country
 River discharges have decreased during sunny and dry period. Only light rains are forecasted so discharges will stay low...



Weather radar and LAPS in WSFS

Weather radar

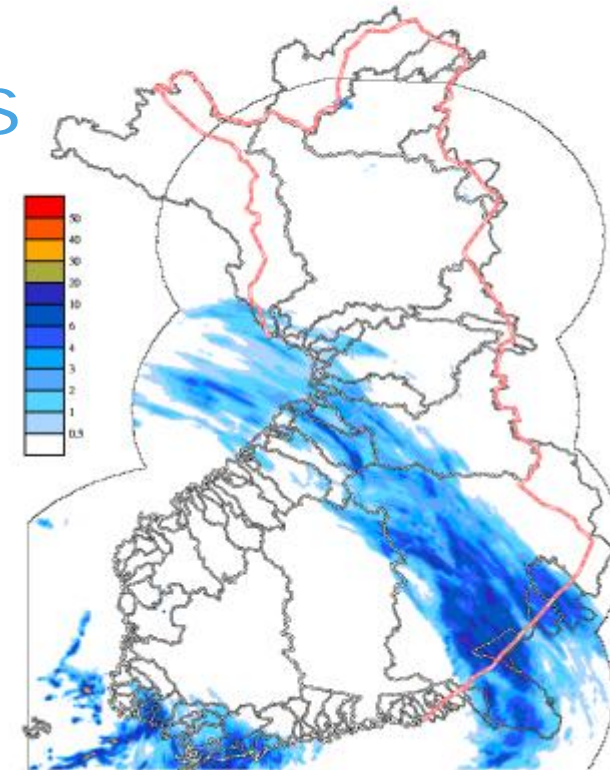
- Hourly radar data in 2x2km grid
- Used for 2 days in model
- Underestimates large rainfalls
 - Corrected manually against rain gauges

Radar nowcasting

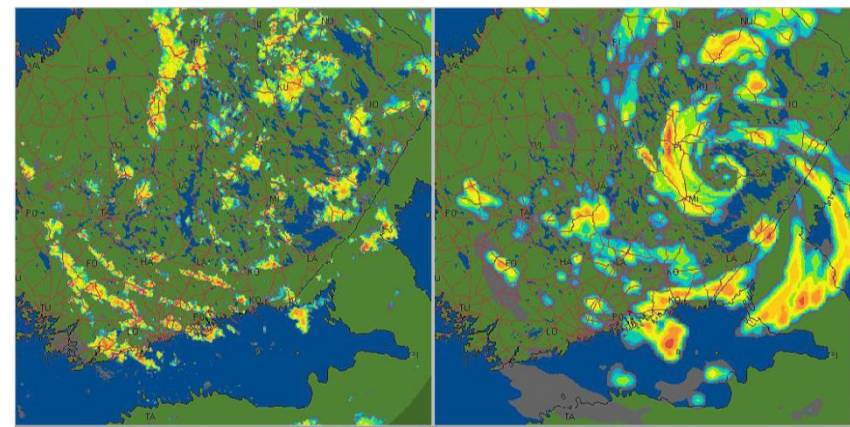
- 3hrs in Southern Finland
- Ensemble of 50 members

LAPS

- Combines information from weather radar, automatic real-time rain gauges, road weather measurements, ...
- Will probably be used in WSFS as a weather radar replacement in near future

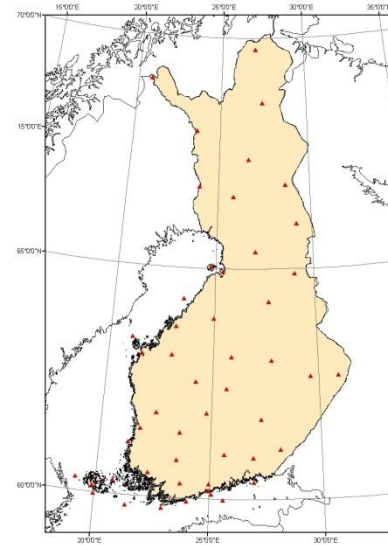


Cumulative precipitation sum (mm) UTC 201309020000-201309020800.

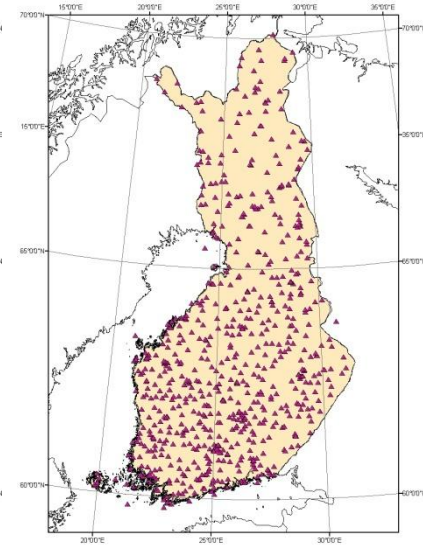


Observation networks

- Automatic realtime precipitation 1-hour measurements from 100 stations
- 380 discharge stations
 - 220 with daily measurements
 - 160 external stations with usually daily measurements
- 660 water level stations
 - 400 with daily measurements
 - 260 external stations with usually daily measurements
- Snow courses
 - 140 montly measurements
- Water quality measurements



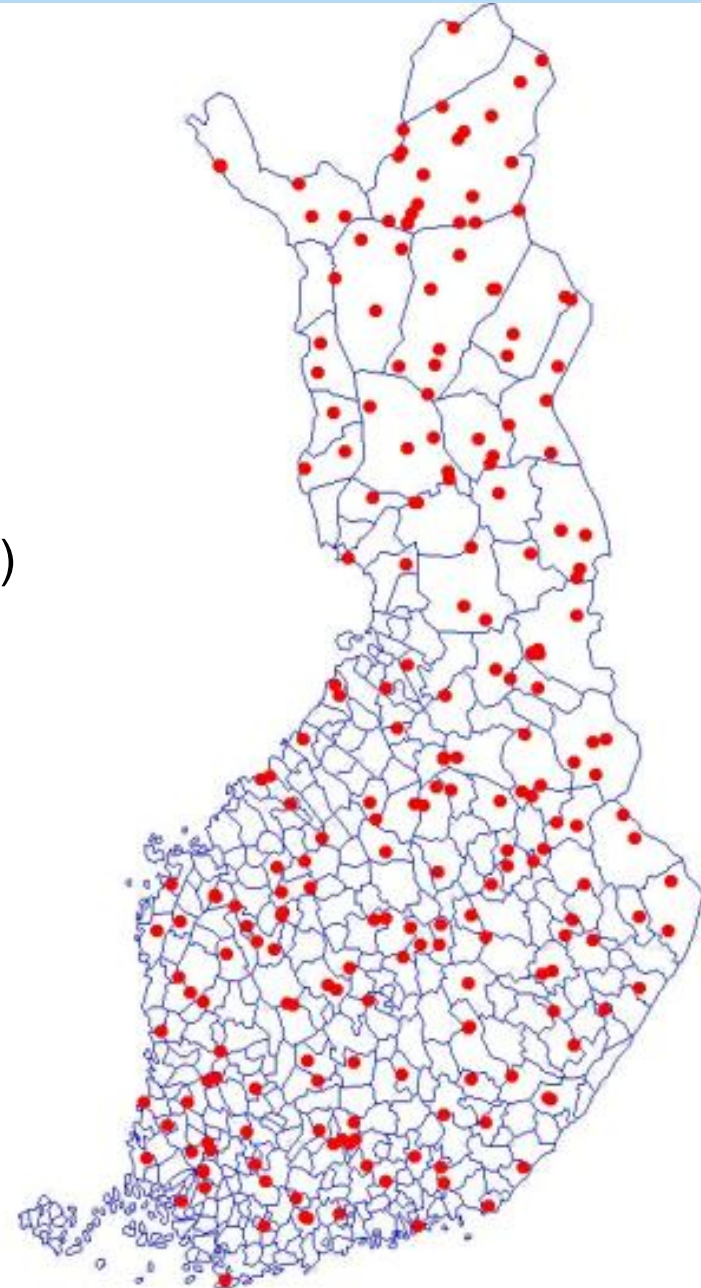
Synoptic weather stations, 50 daily measurements



Other weather stations, 200 daily measurements

Measuring the snow water equivalent

- Snow water equivalent is measured by snow course measurements
 - About 140 snow courses in Finland (less than what is shown at the map)
- Areal snow water equivalents are calculated for approximately 110 areas
- Snow courses are 2-4 km long routes through various terrains
 - 80 depth measurements
 - 8 manual weightings
- Measurements are made once or twice a month



Measuring the snow water equivalent



Meteorological institute

FTP

Local environmental agencies

SMS

SYKE's automated measurement devices (water level, ...)

email

GPRS

Hydropower companies

http / https

Water supply companies

GSM

Sweden's SMHI

Report form

Volunteer observers

Cellular modem

Other outside observers

Traditional / snail mail

Realtime hydro-meteorological data

- 2 600 000 lines during normal day, many more during flood situations

- 22 lines / second are saved to database, on average

- Datacontrol

SYKE

Hydrological modelling and forecasting system

Manual measurements

- Manual river discharge measurement
- Manual precipitation observations
- Snow line measurements

Automatic observations

- Automatic river water level observation
- Automatic precipitation observations
- Snow depth from automatic stations

Derived results / algorithmic data

- Weather radar precipitation
- Wind corrected precipitation observations
- "Near-by-complemented" precipitation observations
- Satellite value for snow water equivalent
- Interpolated snow water equivalent

Simulations

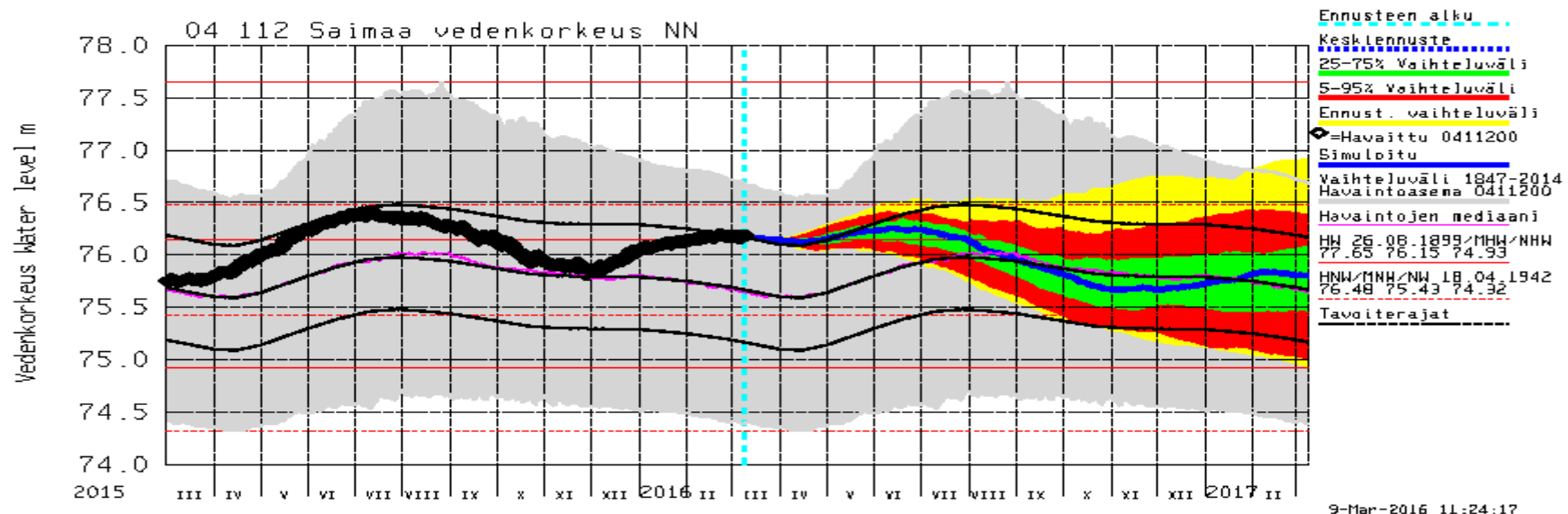
- Areal precipitation
- Runoff, discharge, water level, soil moisture, ...
- Areal precipitation corrected to match water balance
- Snow water equivalent, snow depth, ground frost depth
- Ice thickness

Observed data

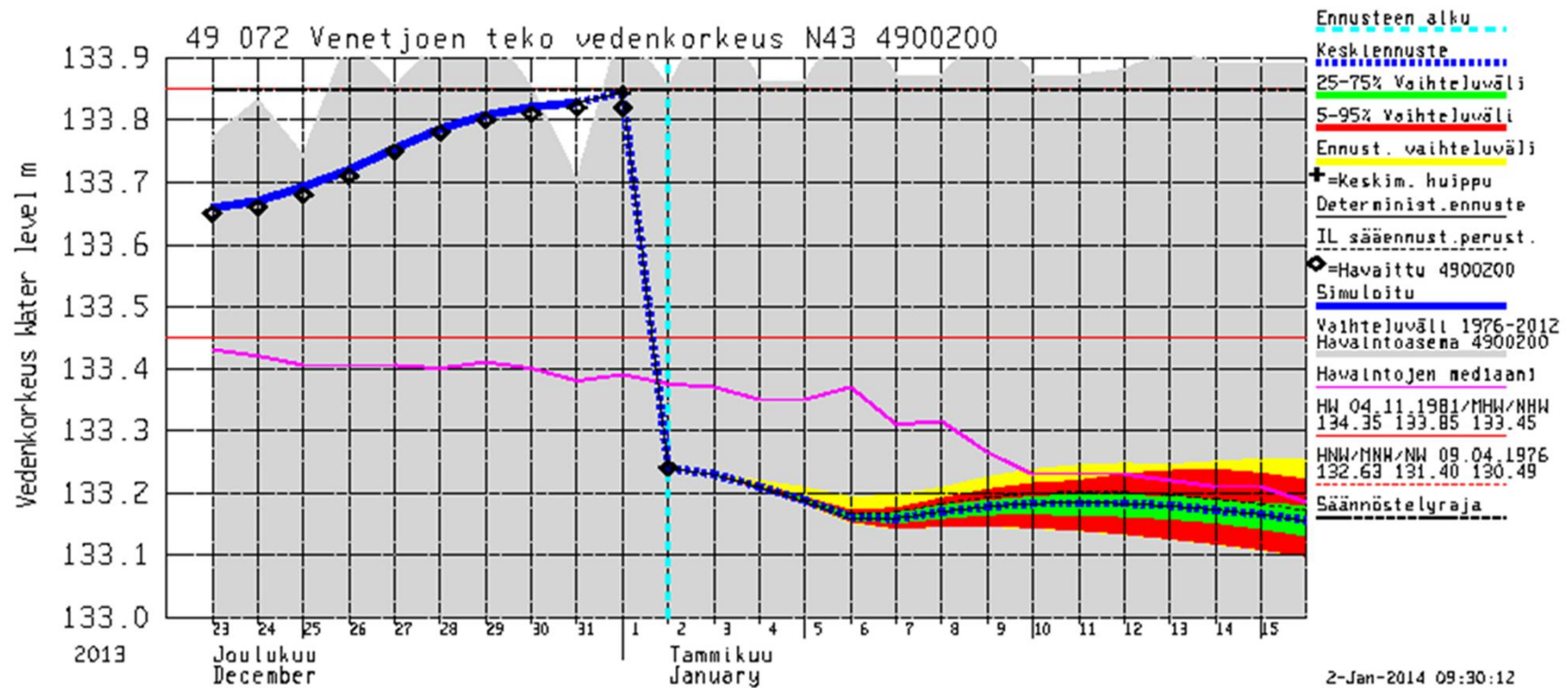
Calculated data

Data assimilation algorithm

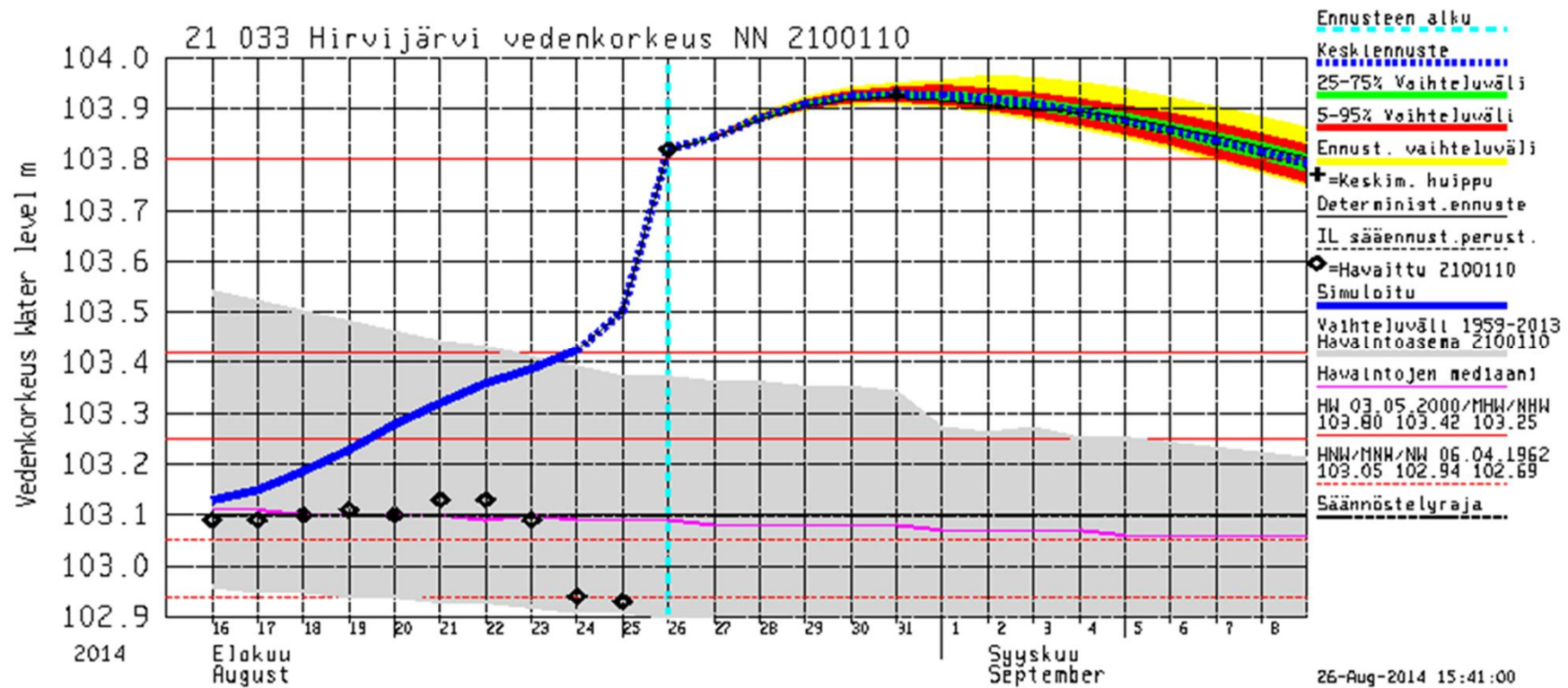
- To estimate the state of the hydrological system today
- Assimilation observations of:
 - discharge and water levels (over 400 stations)
 - snow water equivalent (over 150 stations)
 - SnowCoverArea satellite data
 - flood cover area (experimental)
- Corrects inputs of the model (daily precipitation and temperature)
- Simulation is corrected to agree with observations on a 1-2 year long period backward



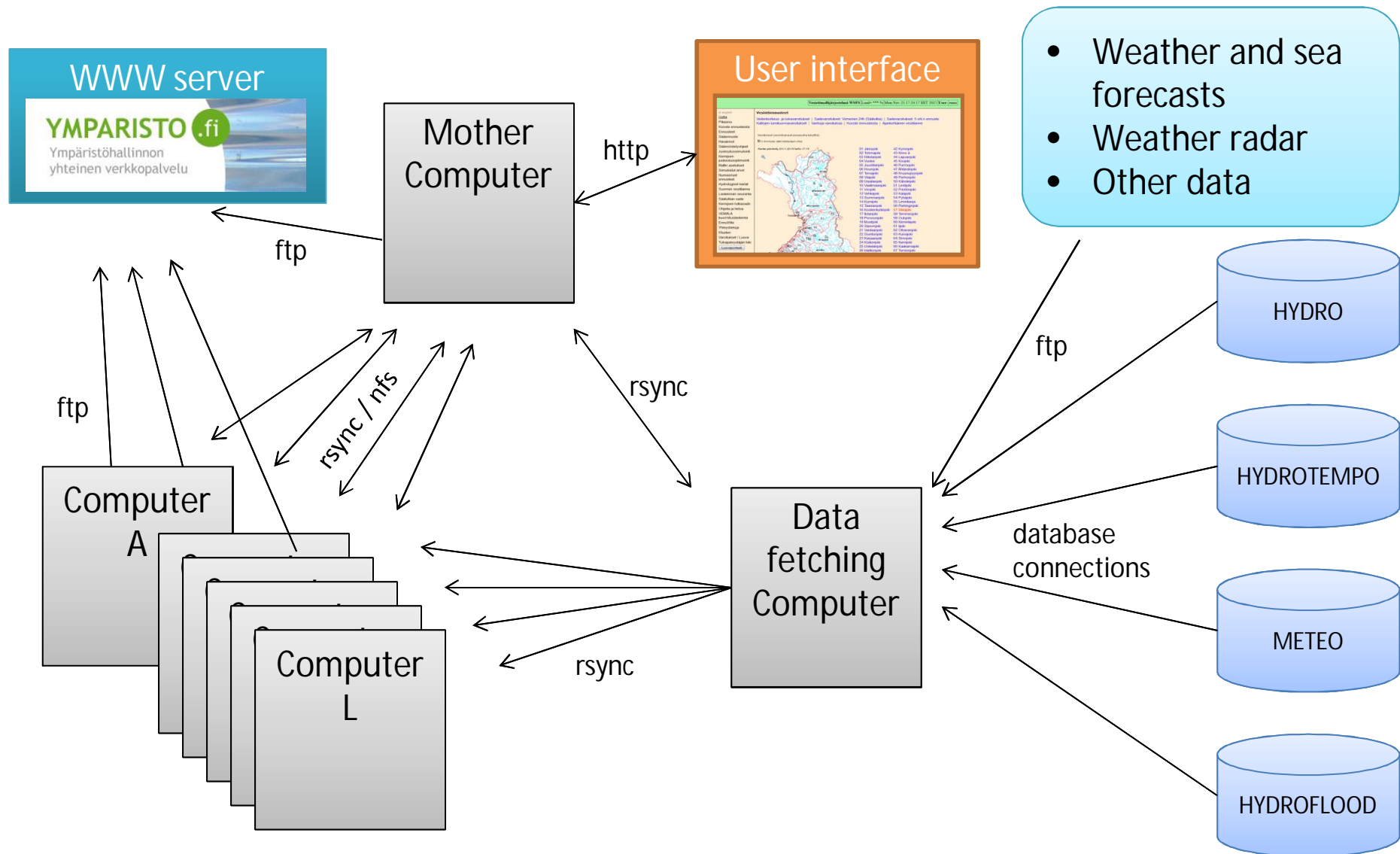
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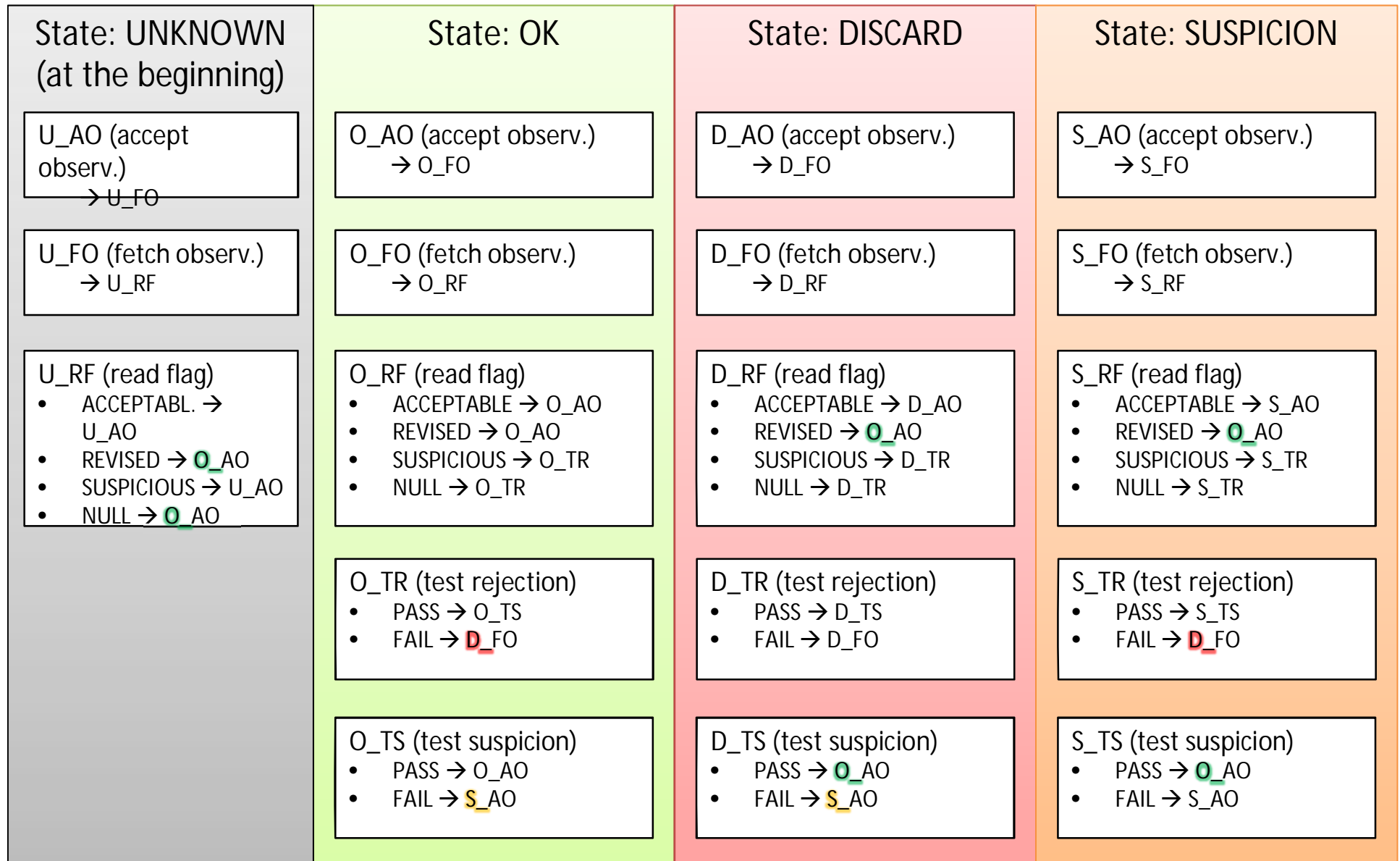


Data transfers in Watershed Simulation and Forecasting System



- Weather and sea forecasts
- Weather radar
- Other data

Data Control State Machine



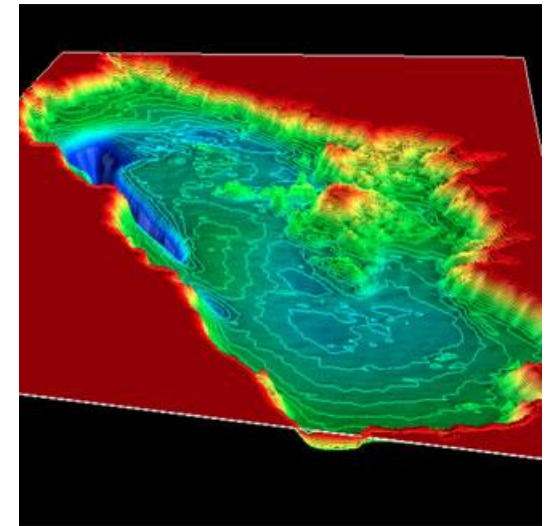
Wind data assimilation to Coherens (Shuku&Suito)

Local wind fields strongly impact on water current fields
(Suito et al., 2014)



Coupled simulations between air flow
and water flow are recommended

- ◆ Time consuming
- ◆ Complex (Confusing)



(<http://www.ems.okayama-u.ac.jp/suito/>)

How should we deal with the dilemma?

Assimilation of satellite data to 3D hydrodynamic model of Lake Säkylän Pyhäjärvi

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Abstract

To analyze the applicability of direct insertion of total suspended matter (TSM) concentration field based on turbidity derived from satellite data to numerical simulation, dispersion studies of suspended matter in Lake Säkylän Pyhäjärvi (lake area 154 km²; mean depth 5.4 m) were conducted using the 3D COHERENS simulation model. To evaluate the practicality of direct insertion, five cases with different initialization frequencies were conducted: (1) every time, when satellite data were available; (2) every 10 days; (3) 20 days; (4) 30 days; and (5) control run without repeated initialization. To determine the effectiveness of initialization frequency, three methods of comparison were used: simple spatial differences of TSM concentration without biomass in the lake surface layer; averaged spatial differences between initialization data and the forecasts; and time series of TSM concentration and observation data at 1 m depth at the deepest point of the lake. Results showed that direct insertion improves the forecast significantly, even if it is applied less often.

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Data and methods

- Models
 - COHERENS V2(Luyten, 2011)
- Open boundary conditions at 3 river mouths:
 - **River discharge** (observation extracted from Hertta data base of the Finnish Environmental Administration)
 - **Temperature** (model results provided by VEMALA*)
 - **Total suspended sediment** (observation interpolated by linear function)
- Surface data
 - **Meteorological data** such as wind speed and direction, air temperature, humidity, cloud coverage and air pressure. (observation provided by Finnish Meteorological Institute)

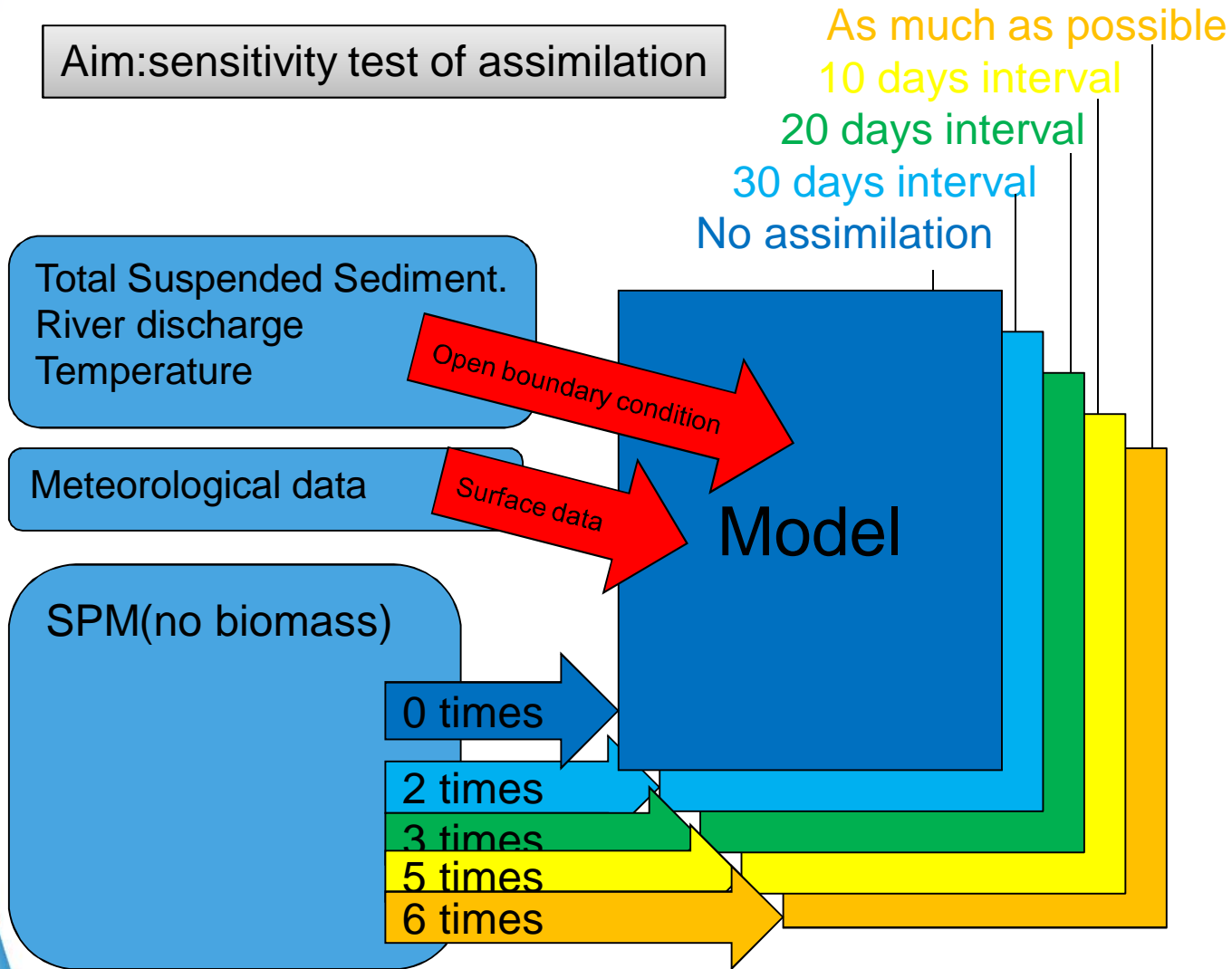
*VEMALA: the water quality component of the Watershed Simulation and Forecasting System (Vehviläinen B et al., 2005) of the Finnish Environment Institute. This system simulates variables such as the transport of total phosphorus and nitrogen and suspended solids in land area, rivers and lakes. (Huttunen I. et al., 2008).

Huttunen I, Huttunen M, Tattari S, Vehviläinen B. 2008. Large scale phosphorus load modelling in Finland. In Northern Hydrology and its Global Role, Volume 2, Sveinsson ÓGB, Garðarsson SM, Gunnlaugsdóttir S (eds). XXV Nordic Hydrological Conference 2008. NHP Report No. 50. Icelandic Hydrological Committee: Reykjavik; 548-556.

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Objective

Aim: sensitivity test of assimilation

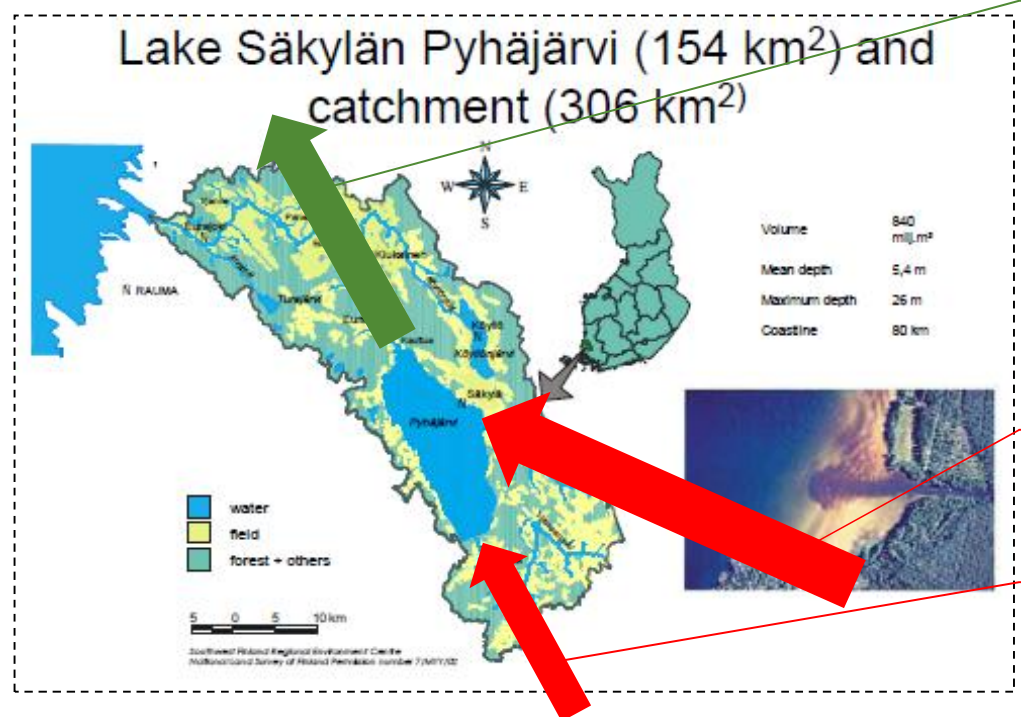


Tested cases and initialization timing

To evaluate the practicality of the assimilation (direct insertion) of the model, five model runs (1–5) were performed using different initialization frequencies: (1) every time, when satellite data were available; (2) every 10 days; (3) 20 days; (4) 30 days; and (5) the control run without repeated initialization (except for the initialization on 16 May 2009). The initialization timings were at noon on: (1) June 1, 8, 18, 21 and 26 and July 6; (2) June 1, 8, 18 and 26 and July 6; (3) June 1 and 21 and July 6; and (4) June 1 and July 6.

Target area

- Study area



Eurajoki(out)

Pyhäjoki(in)

Ylaneenjoki(in)

(Reports of Finnish Environment Institute, 2008)

Reports of Finnish Environment Institute 15/2008, 73 p. URN:ISBN: 987-952-11-3125-7 ISBN: 987-952-11-3125-7 (PDF). Vehviläinen B, Huttunen M, Huttunen I. 2005. Hydrological forecasting and real time monitoring in Finland: The watershed simulation and forecasting system (WSFS). In Innovation, Advances and Implementation of Flood Forecasting Technology, Conference Papers, Tromsø, Norway, 17–19 October 2005.

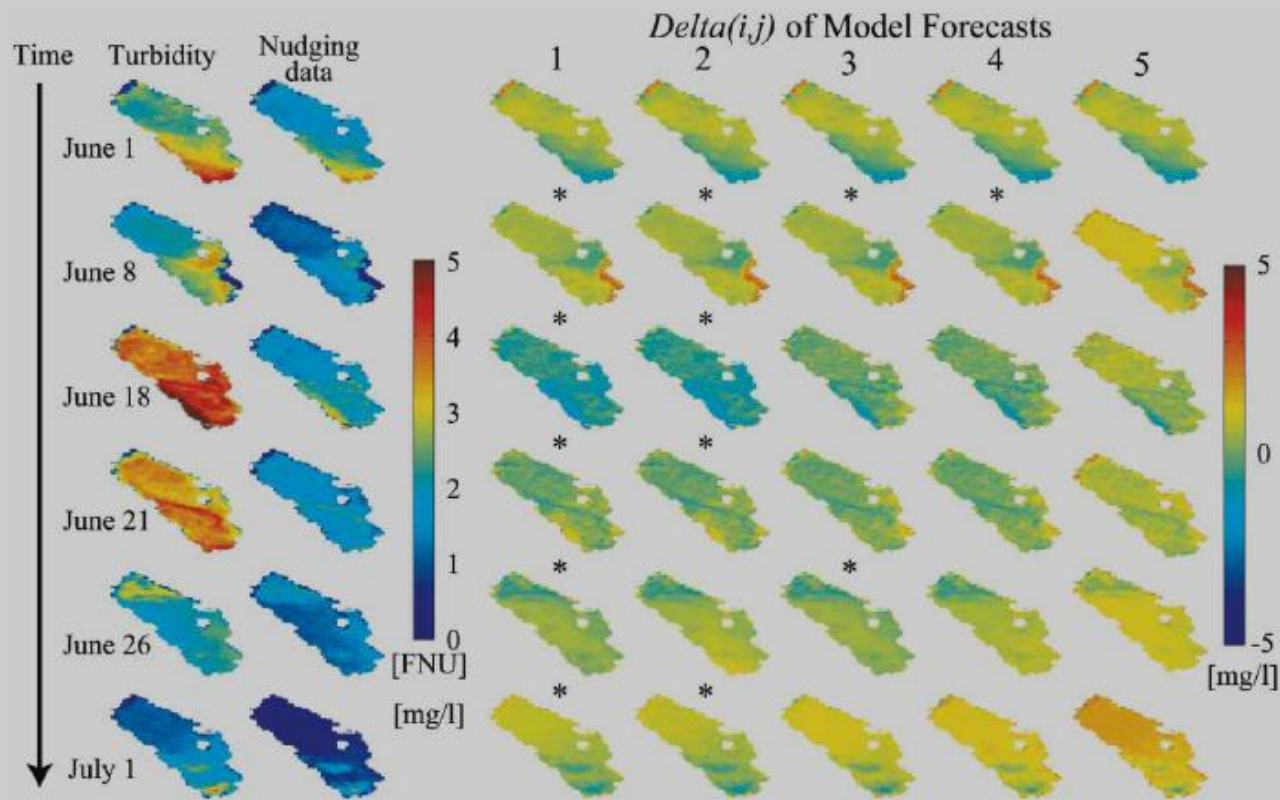
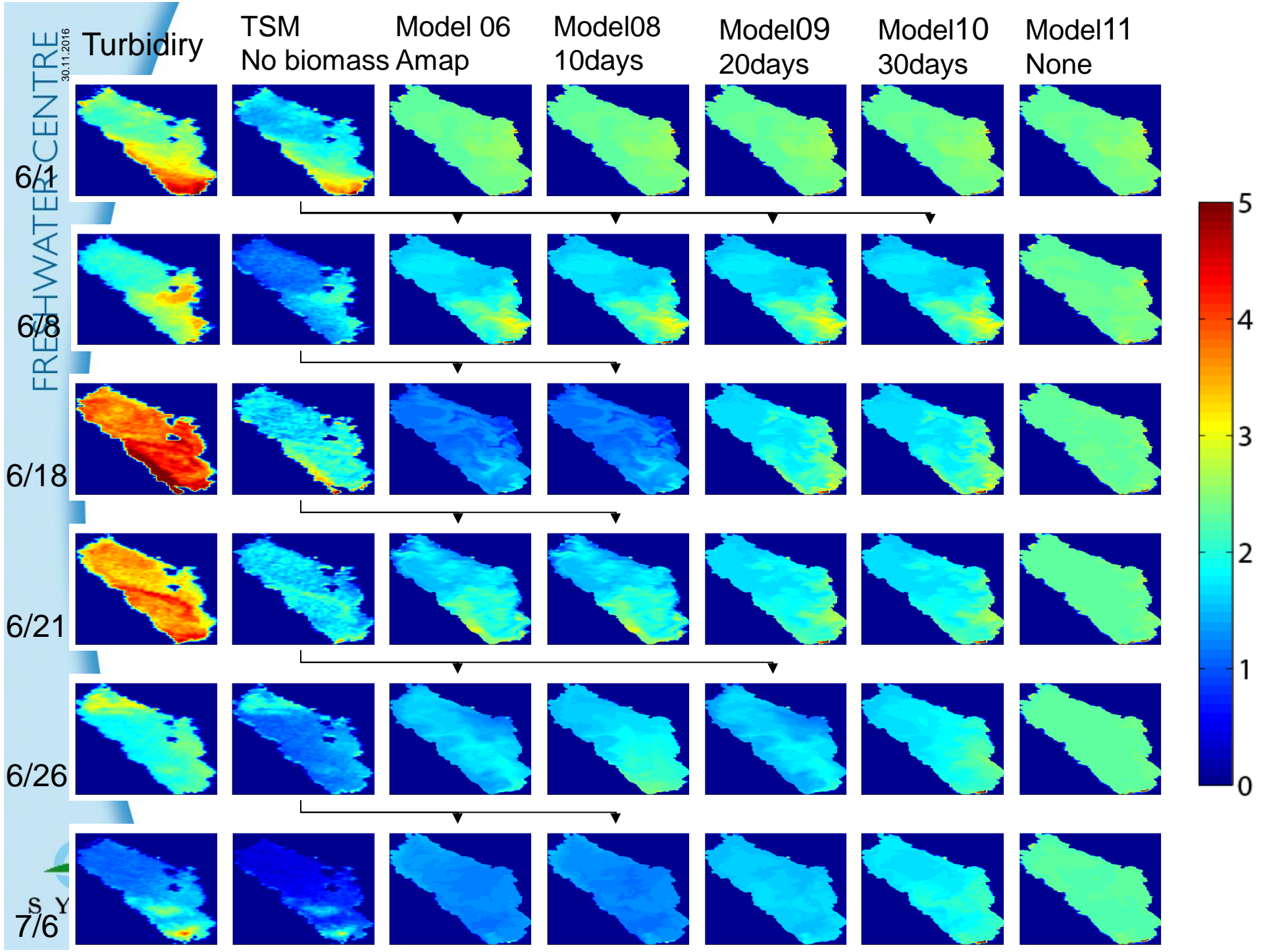
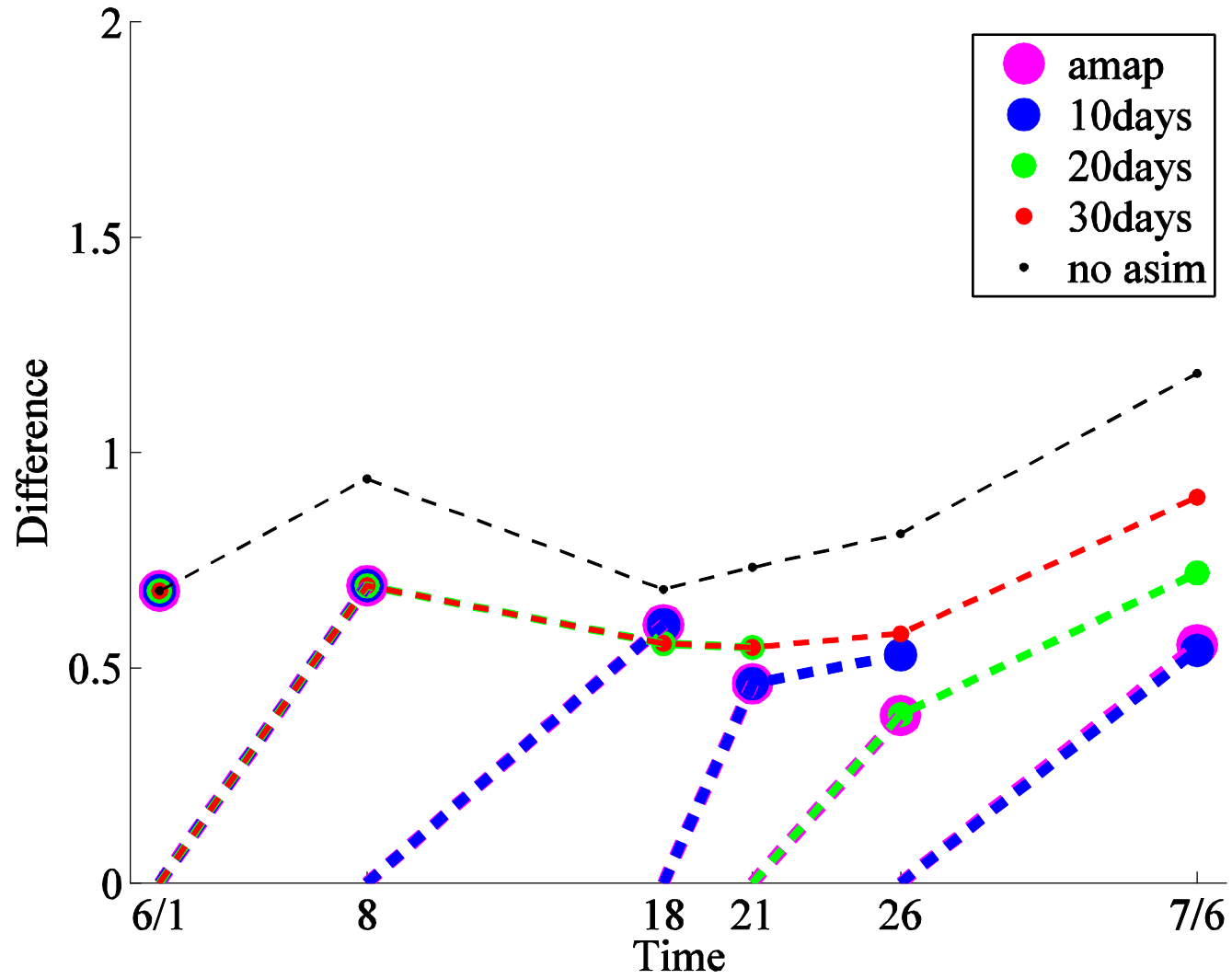


Figure 2 | Comparison of turbidity from satellite data [FNU], TSM concentration without biomass (nudging data regarded as 'true' value) [mg/l] and $\Delta(i,j)$ of model forecasts at the lake surface. The six rows represent dates from June 1 to July 6. The columns are turbidity derived from satellite data [FNU], converted TSM concentration without biomass [mg/l] (nudging data), and five cases of $\Delta(i,j)$ taken with Equation (3) from left to right: every time that satellite data were available (1); every 10 days (2); 20 days (3); 30 days (4); and control run without repeated initialization (5). The initialization timings are shown with asterisk (*) symbols below each figure of $\Delta(i,j)$.



Results



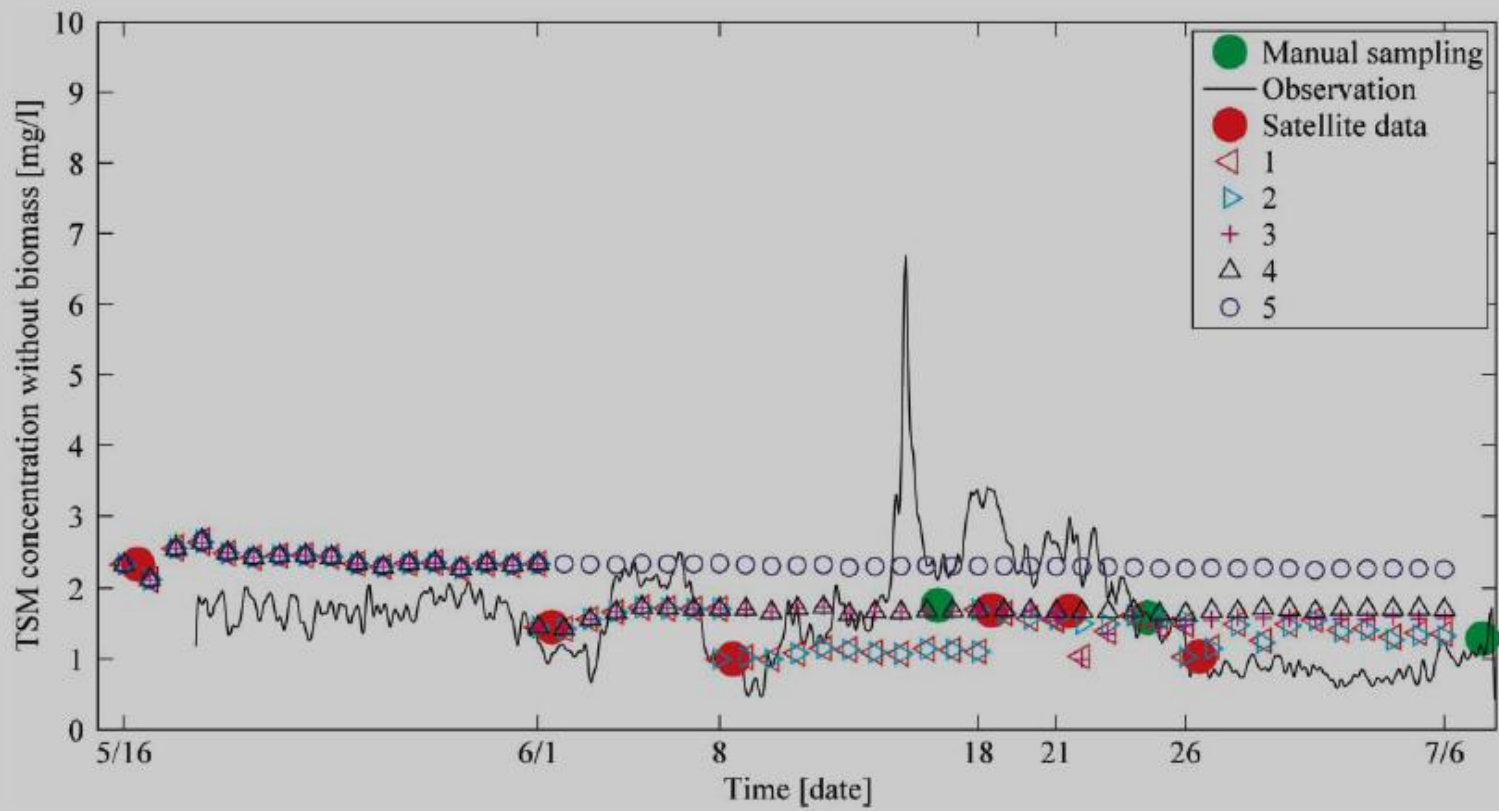


Figure 4 | Time series of TSM concentration without biomass at 1.0 m depth at the deepest point comparing the forecasts with observations measured by automatic station and by manual sampling. Values were averaged from nine grids around the point. Green dots represent manual sampling converted from turbidity. The black line represents the automatic station converted from monitored turbidity using Equation (1), the same equation used to obtain the nudging data. Red dots are from satellite data (nudging data). The full colour version of this figure is available online at <http://www.iwaponline.com/wst/toc.htm>.

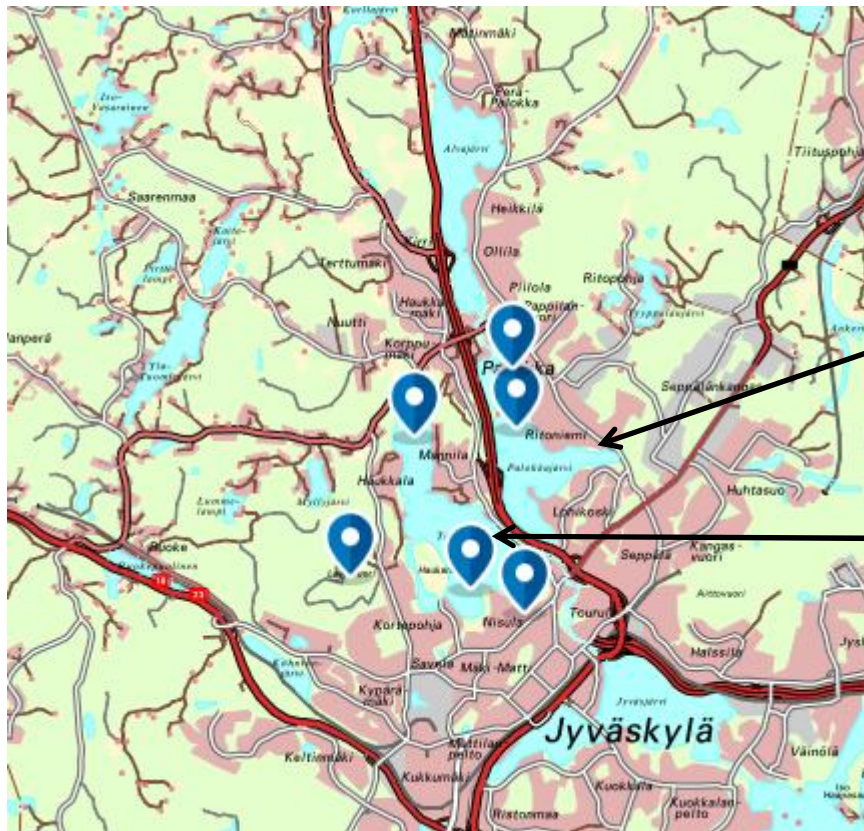
This paper demonstrates that the predictive performance of a coupled circulation-sediment model can be notably improved by incorporating satellite data, even if the used sediment model and assimilation method are simple and its parameterization of sediment transport is not exhaustively calibrated, as only the sinking velocity is calibrated at a single observation point. This is also true when direct insertion is applied less often, such as the interval of 30 days. In particular, the 10-day period shows values of Forecast RMSE increases that are smaller when compared to situations where no simulation is used at all.

For usability, until the necessary modules are implemented and until the demanding calibrations have been done, direct insertion can obtain more realistic forecasts of lake water quality. Future studies should be performed carefully to examine considerations of the possibilities of using satellite-based bathymetrical data and detailed sedimentation processes. Such studies can enrich our experience in using more sophisticated data assimilation methods.

Observation Station

Meteorological data

→ wind direction, wind speed, temperature, humidity



Palokkajärvi

Tuomiojärvi

Observation Station



Ranta-Niemela



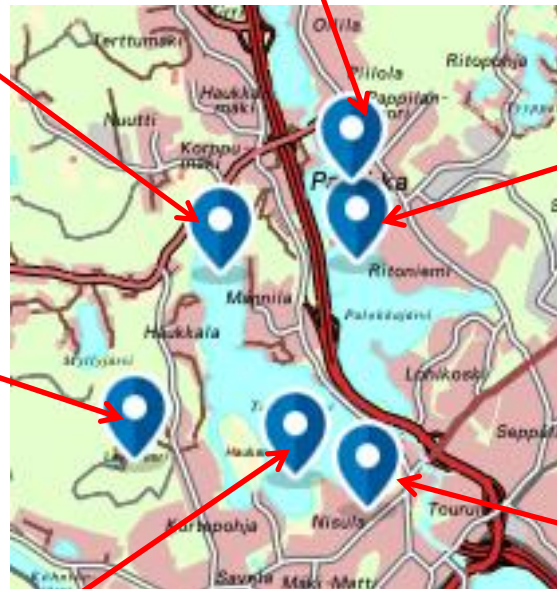
Palokka



Kaijala



Laajavuori



JEnergia



Lehtisaari

Temporal Modeling

➤ Auto-Regressive (AR) Model

$$y_n = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i y_{n-i} + v_n$$

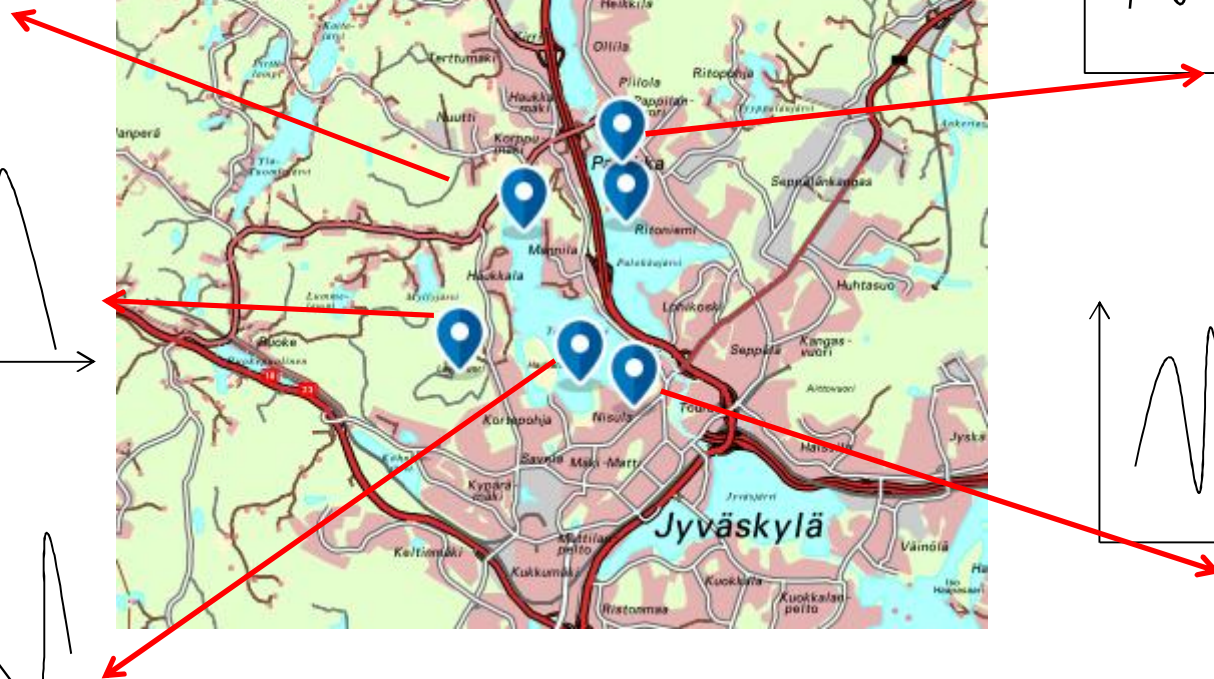
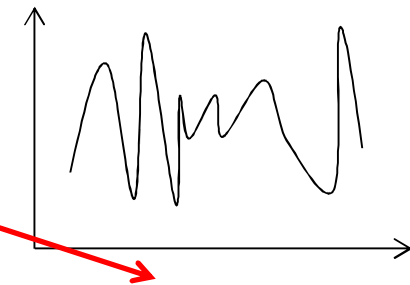
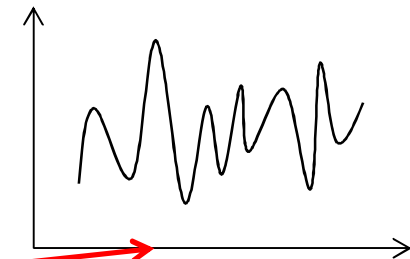
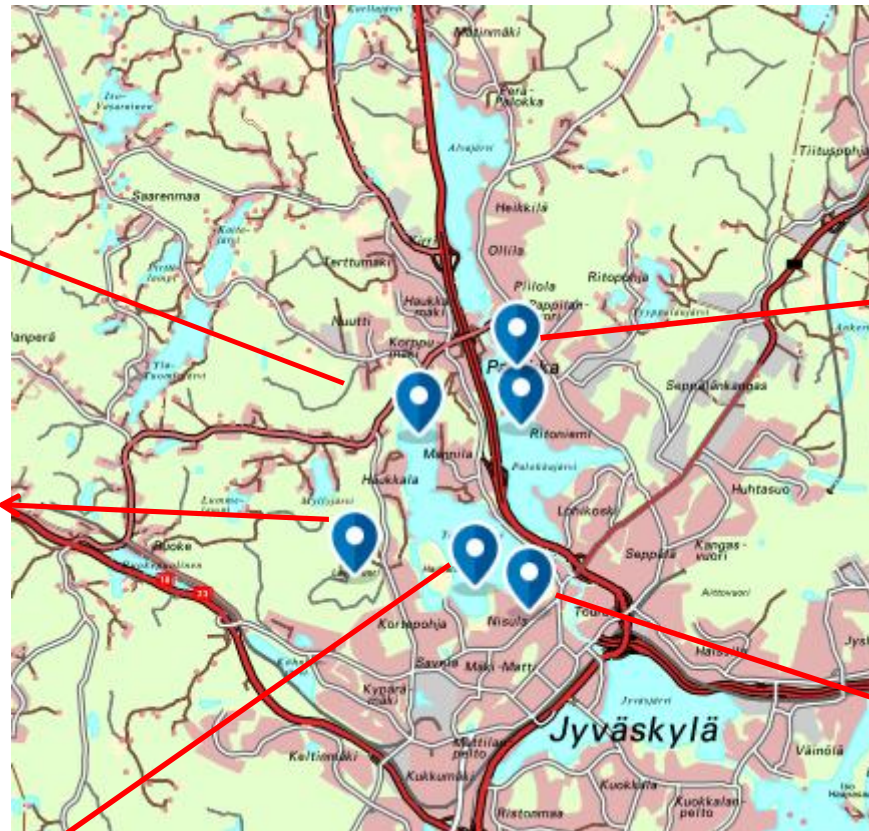
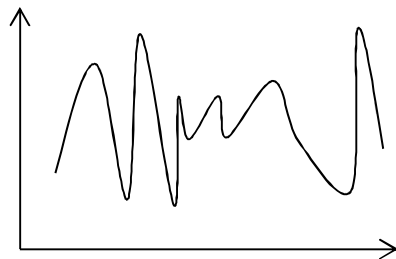
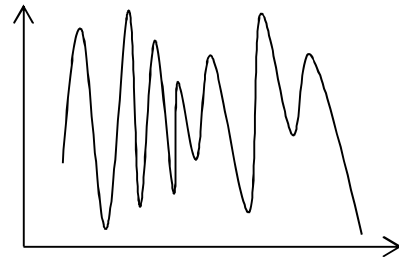
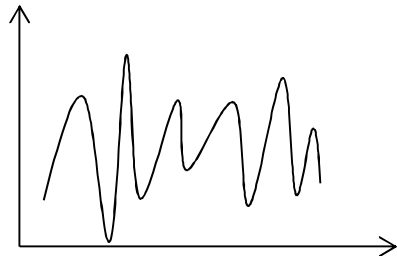
y_n : n^{th} time-series data
 a_i : i^{th} AR coefficient
 v_n : white noise
 m : autoregressive order

<Yule-Walker method>

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{C}_0 & \hat{C}_1 & \cdots & \hat{C}_{m-1} \\ \hat{C}_1 & \hat{C}_0 & \cdots & \hat{C}_{m-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \hat{C}_{m-1} & \hat{C}_{m-2} & \cdots & \hat{C}_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{C}_1 \\ \hat{C}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \hat{C}_m \end{bmatrix}$$

\hat{C}_i : auto-correlation function
 a_i : AR coefficient

Spatial Modeling



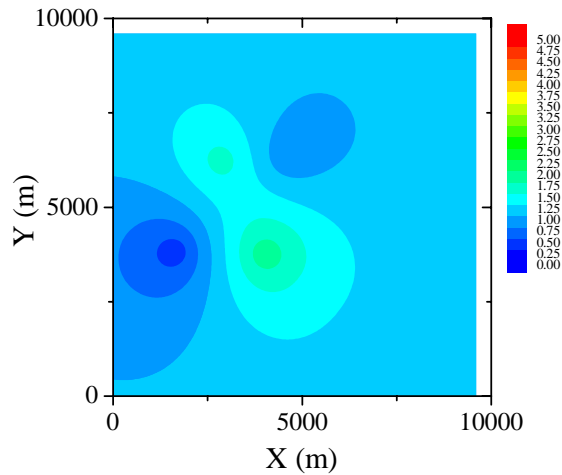
Ordinary Kriging

➤ System equation

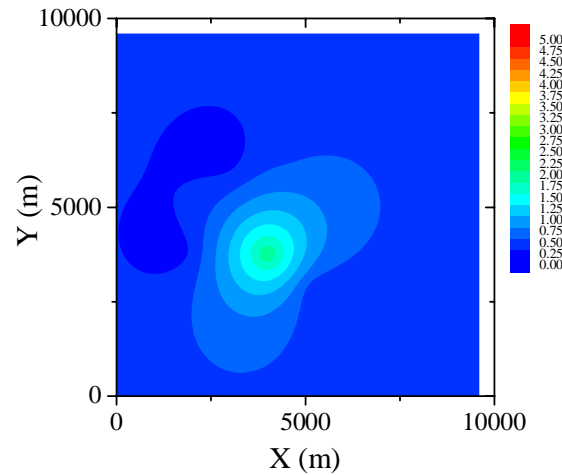
$$\begin{bmatrix} \gamma(y_1 - y_1) & \gamma(y_1 - y_2) & \cdots & \gamma(y_1 - y_n) & 1 \\ \gamma(y_2 - y_1) & \gamma(y_2 - y_2) & \cdots & \gamma(y_2 - y_n) & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \gamma(y_n - y_1) & \gamma(y_n - y_2) & \cdots & \gamma(y_n - y_n) & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \\ \mu \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma(y_1 - y_0) \\ \gamma(y_2 - y_0) \\ \vdots \\ \gamma(y_n - y_0) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- γ : Variogram (auto correlation function)
- y_0 : Unknown value (wind speed and wind direction)
- $y_{i(1\sim n)}$: Known value (wind speed and wind direction)
- μ : Mean value
- w_i : Weight

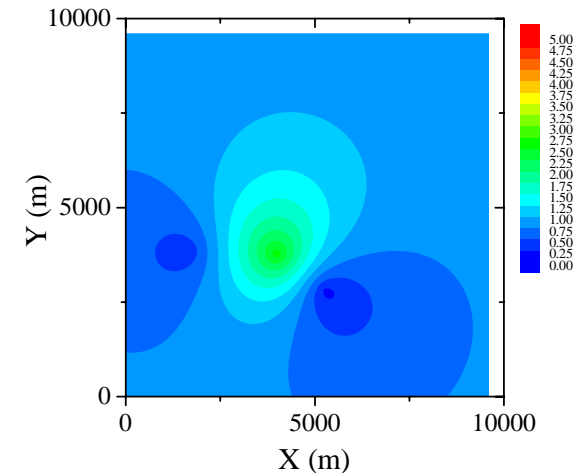
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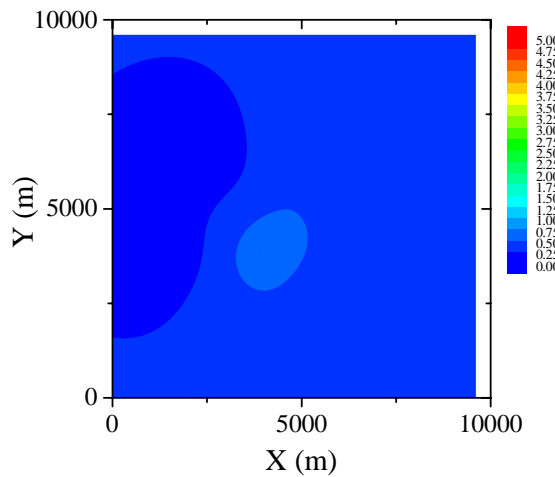
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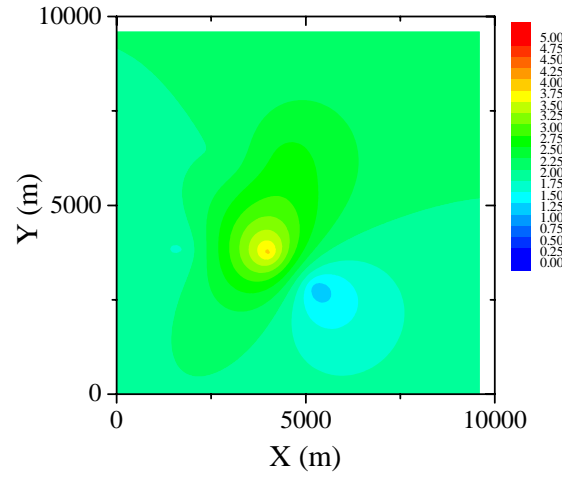
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30th August



10th September



20th September

Estimated local wind field

