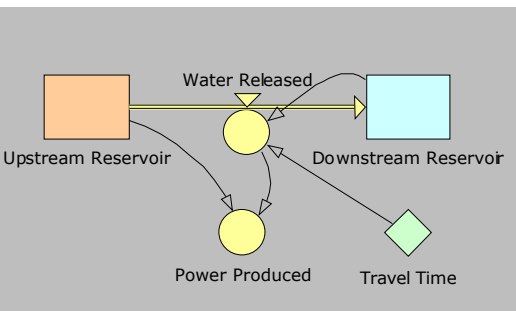




Water-Energy Systems Analysis Science



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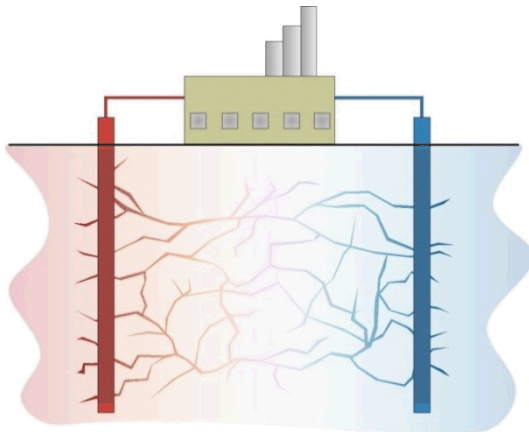
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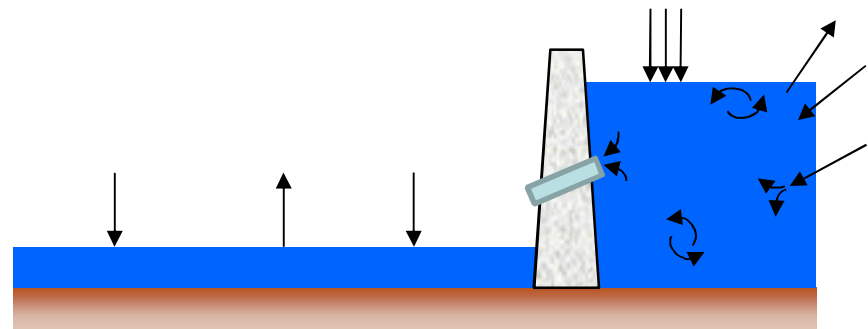
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Water-Energy Systems Analysis

- Water-Energy: Problem Definition and Significance
- Systems Analysis
- Example Projects – Highlight Capabilities
 - GT-Mod: A simulation and analysis tool for geothermal performance assessment
 - HydroSCOPE: Reservoir operations model for optimizing power production and environmental performance



GT-Mod



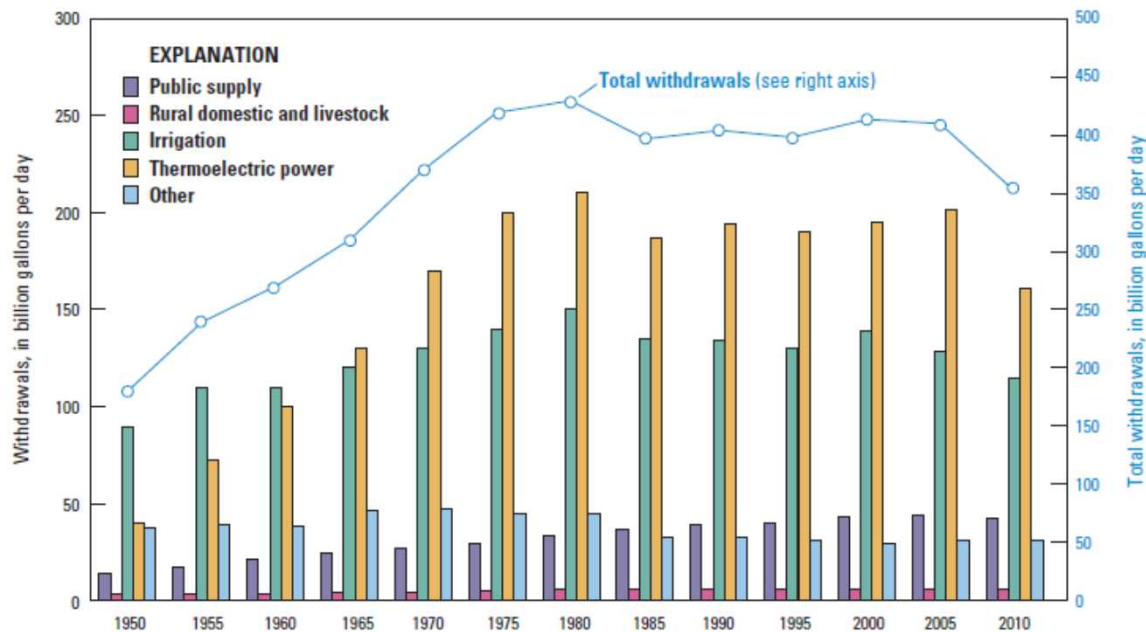
HydroSCOPE

Water-Energy Systems

- Water for Energy
 - Cooling: ~89% of US Energy Production is Thermoelectric
 - Extraction (oil, gas, coal, uranium: mining, drilling, fracking)
 - Other (refining, slurry transport, cleaning)
- Energy for Water
 - Pumping, treatment and distribution, end uses (e.g., heating)
 - 4-13% of U.S. Electricity Generation
 - 30-40% of Municipality's Energy Bill
- Issues
 - Scarcity and sustainability
 - Quality (contamination and thermal)
 - Environmental
 - Human health

Water-Energy Systems

■ Withdrawals vs Consumed



Withdrawals

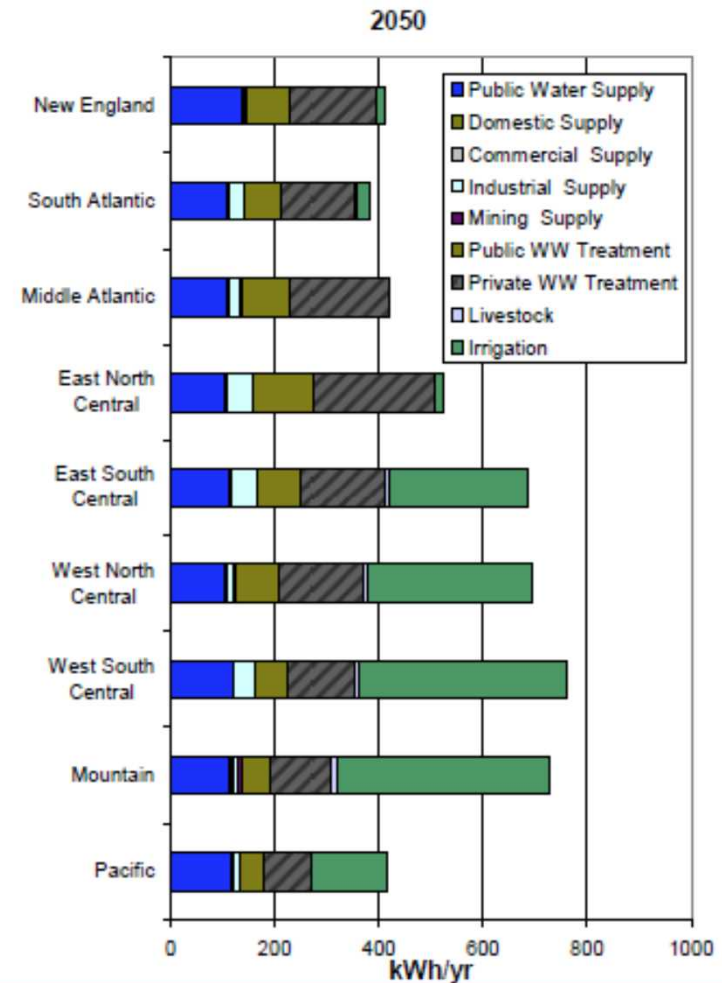
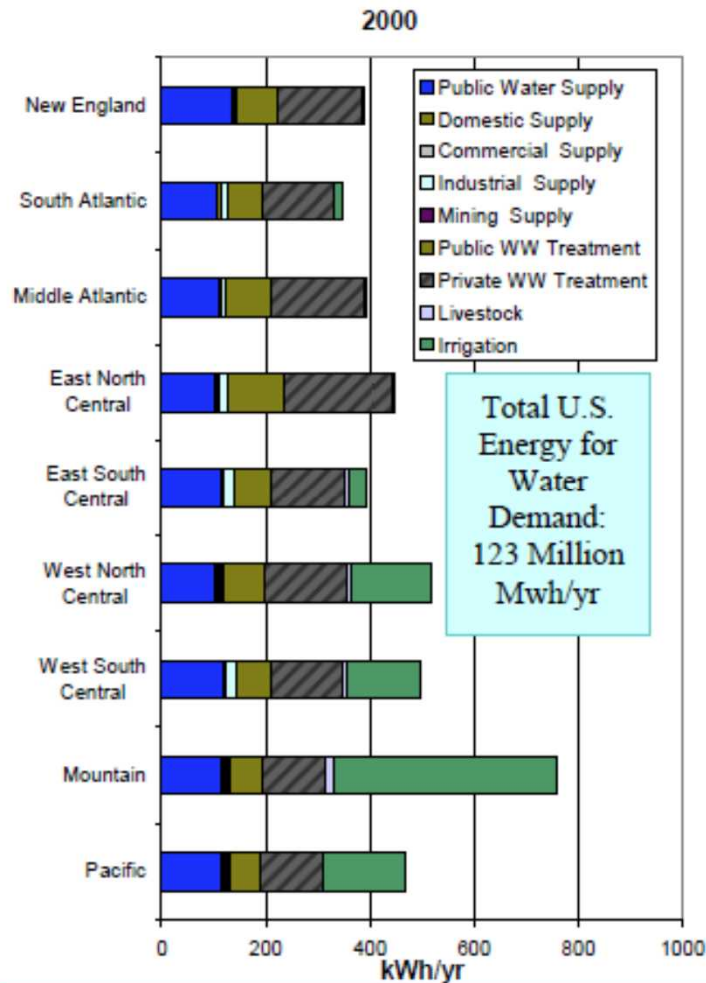
Power Provider	Gallons Evaporated* per kWh
Western Interconnect	4.42
Eastern Interconnect	2.33
Texas Interconnect	0.43
U.S. Aggregate	2.00

*Includes hydroelectric reservoir evaporation

Consumed
(~116 bgd)

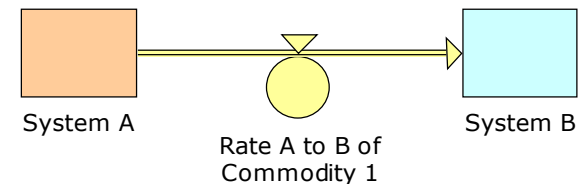
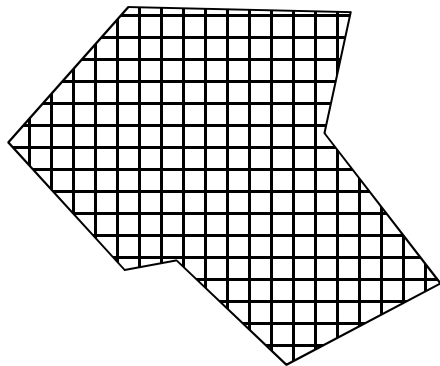
Water-Energy Systems

■ Energy for Water



- System Dynamics (SD) Modeling
 - Finite difference modeling approach applied at a systems level
 - Solve a system of PDE's using stocks and flows

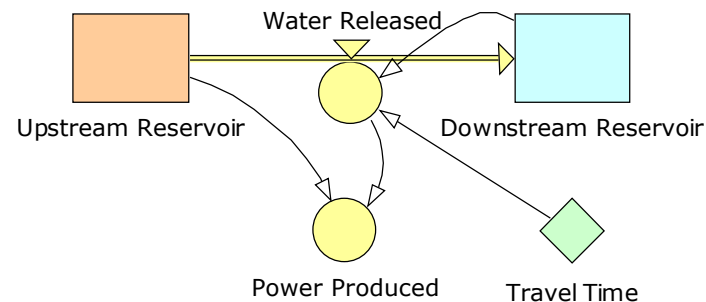
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■ System Dynamics

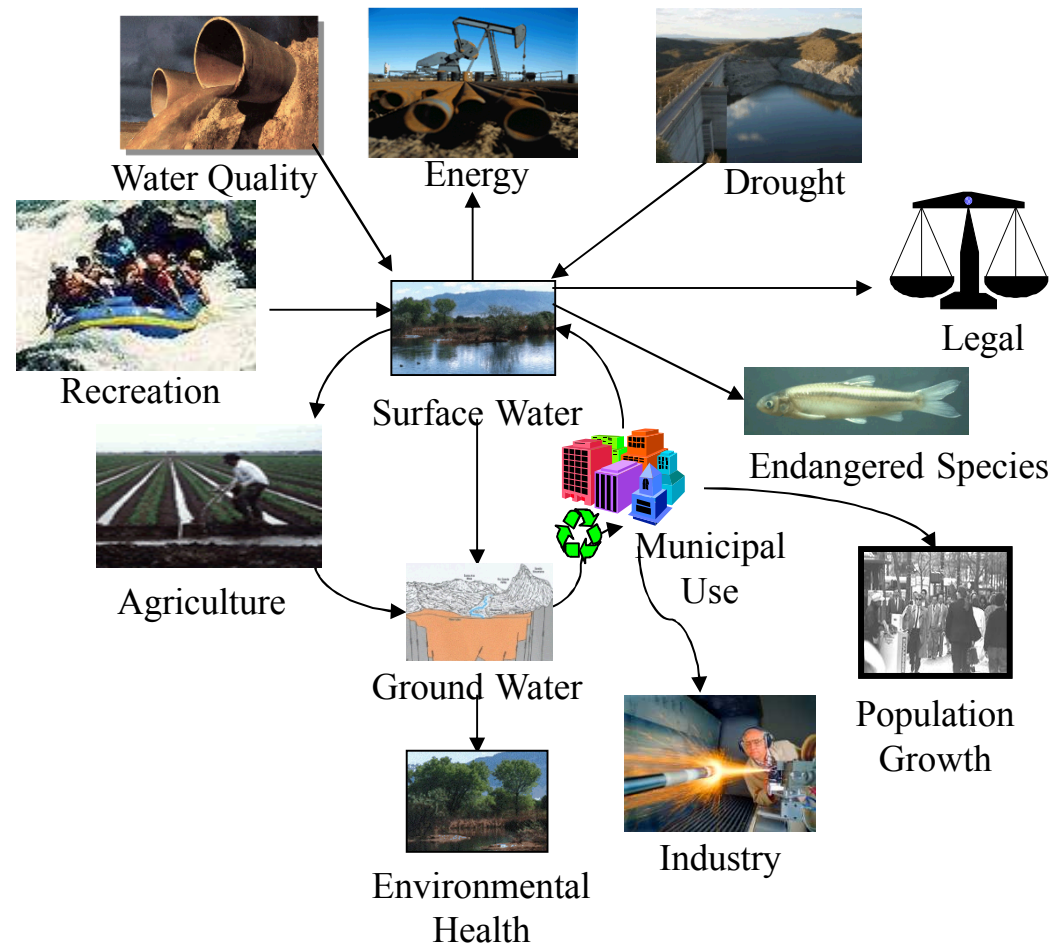
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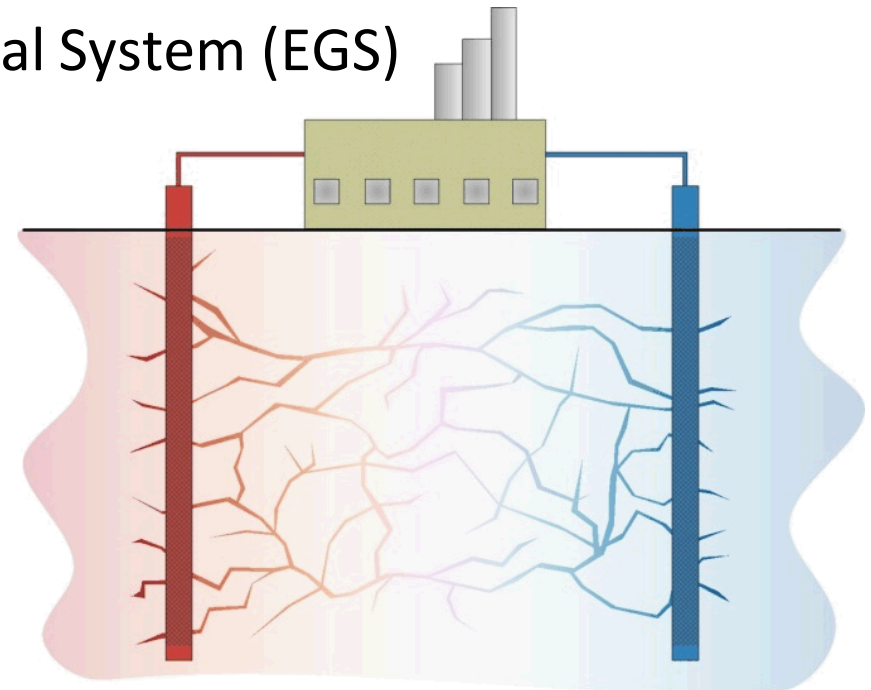
System Dynamics

- Provides a framework for integrating over a broad range of systems and factors
- Scalable to multiple spatial and temporal scales
- Fast execution
- Easily deployable

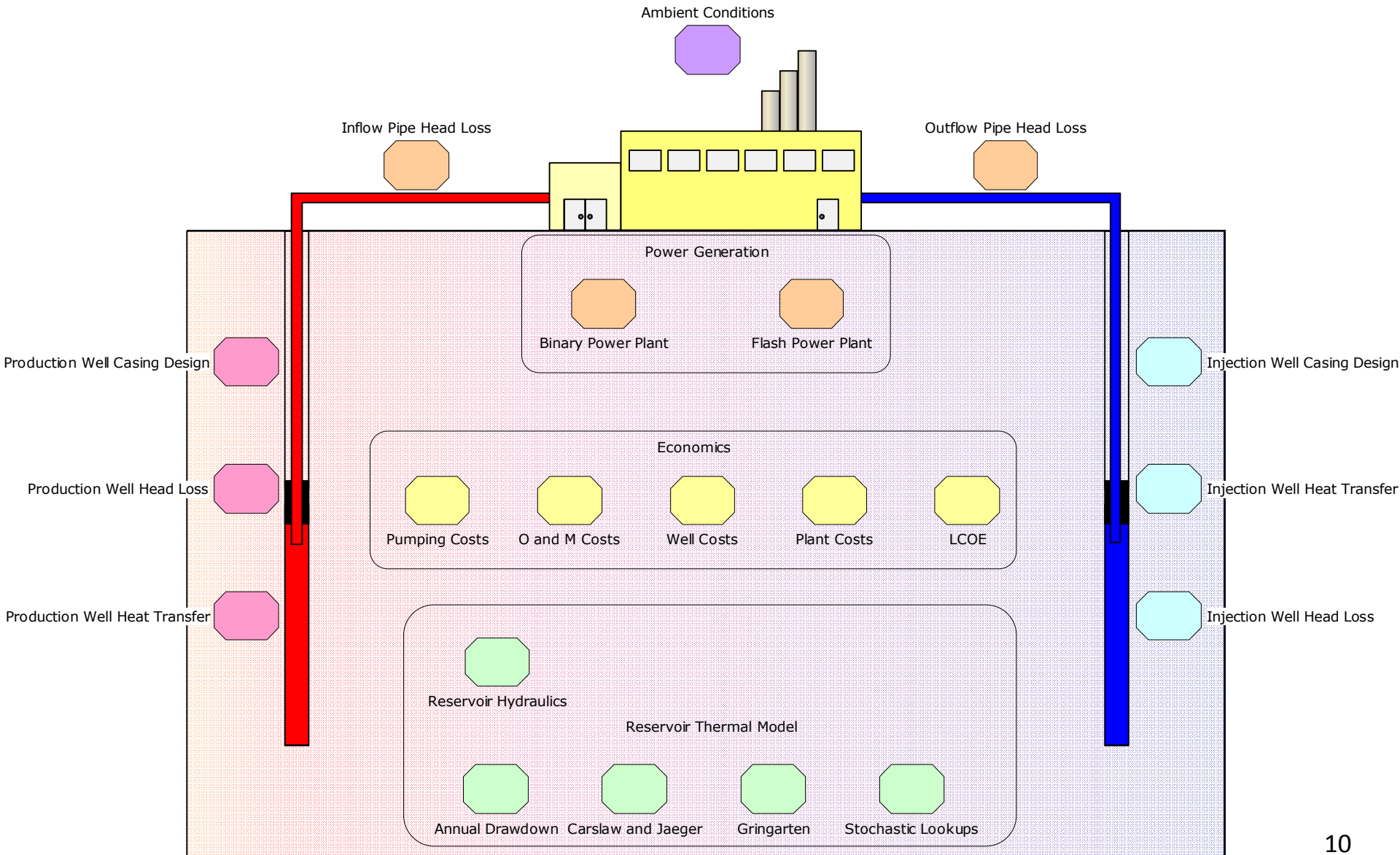


GT-Mod Example Project

- GT-Mod: A simulation and analysis tool for geothermal physical and economic performance assessment
- SD model of hydraulics, thermodynamics, power generation, and economics
- Example – Enhanced Geothermal System (EGS)
 - Probabilistic modeling
 - Quantitative risk assessment

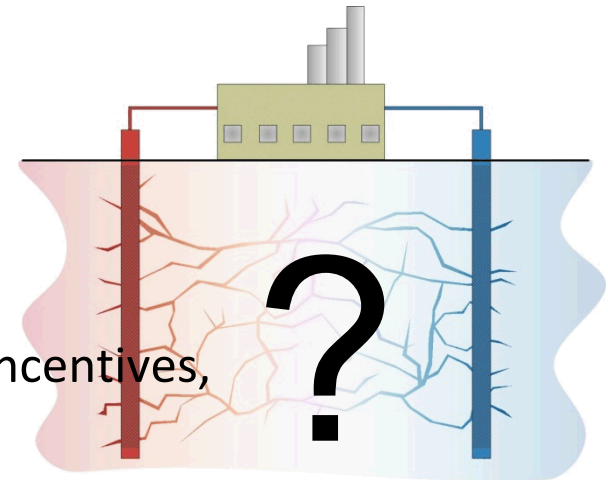


GT-Mod SD Model

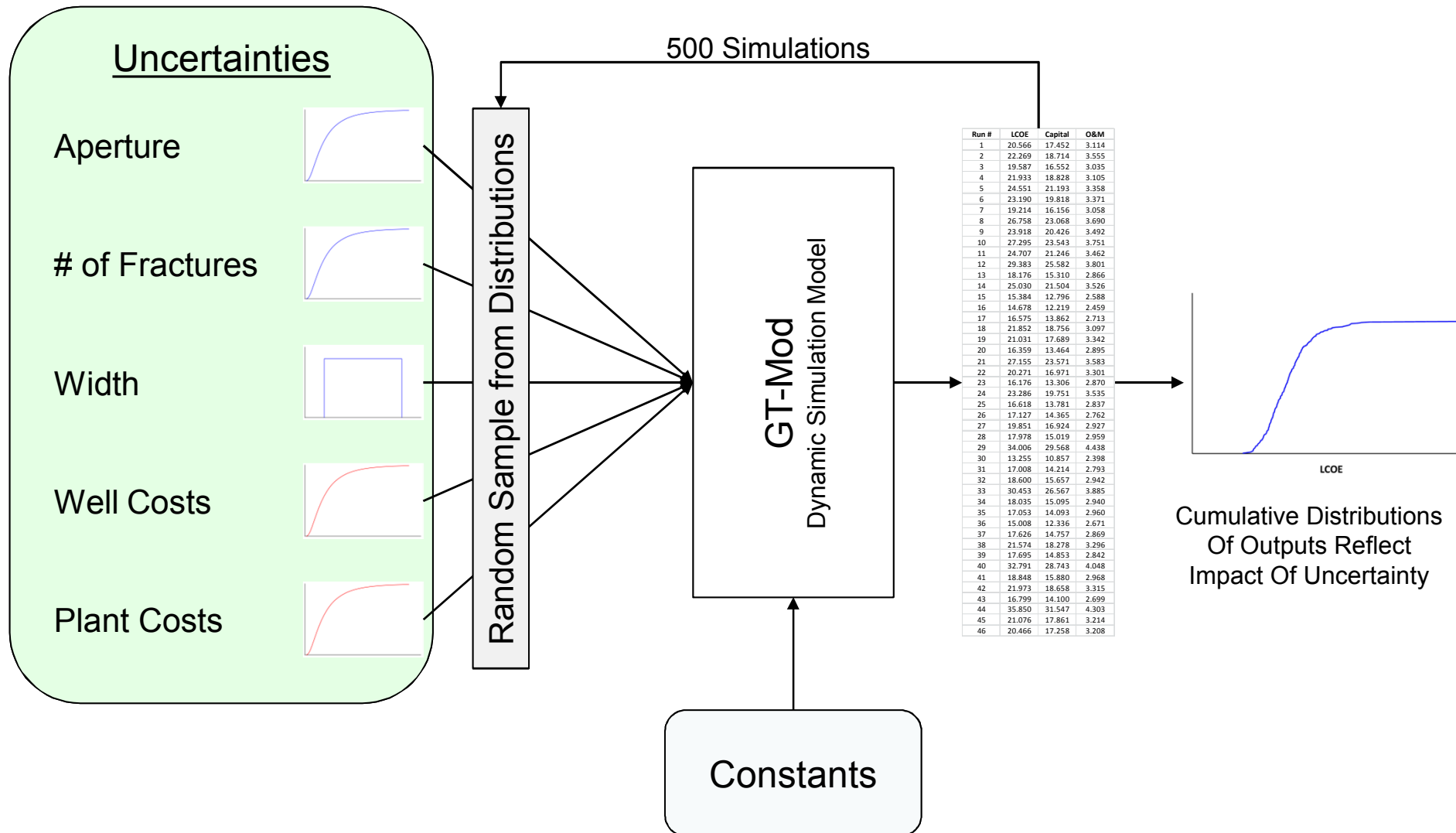


Uncertainties in Geothermal Energy

- Physical setting
 - Temperature at depth, rock type, stress field, etc.
 - Can be reduced through site exploration (\$\$)
- System performance
 - Hydraulic and thermal drawdown, water losses, pumping, etc.
 - Enhanced through stimulation, understood through exploration (\$\$)
- Plant performance
 - Conversion of heat to electricity
 - Most certain of the inputs
- Economic and regulatory future
 - Material & labor costs, discount rate, market incentives, environmental constraints, etc.
 - Cannot be reduced

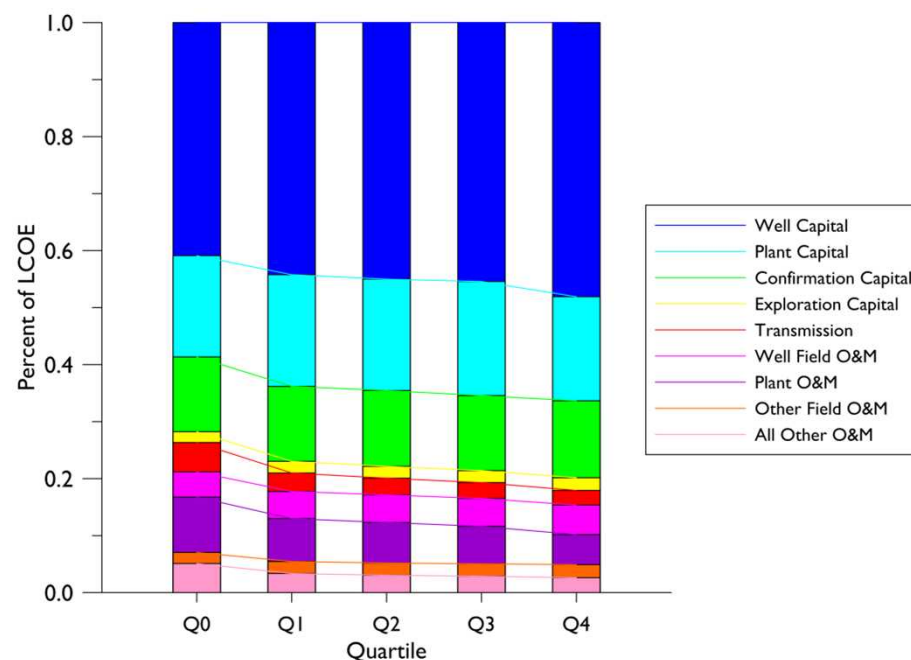
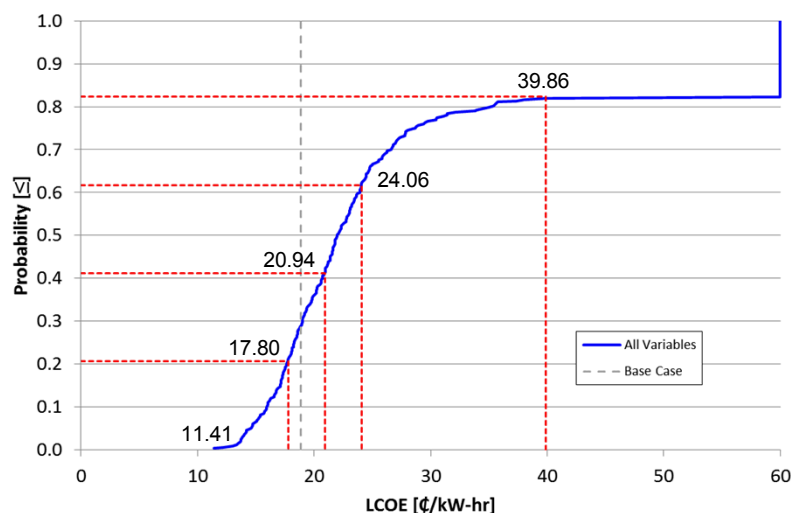


Probabilistic Modeling



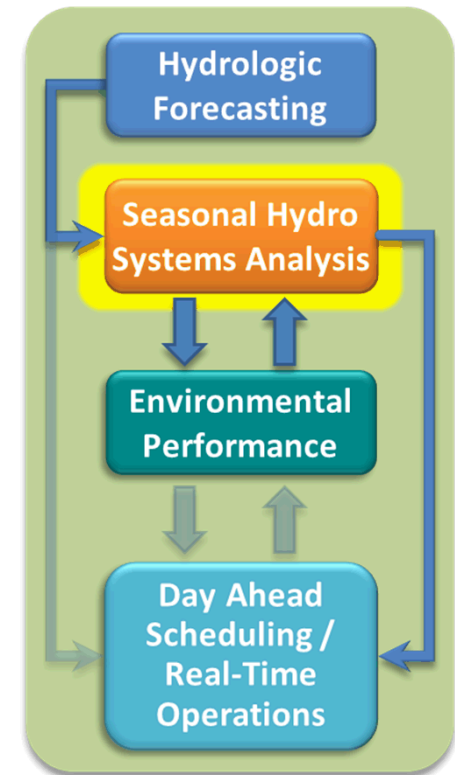
GT-Mod Example Results

- 19% that ending production temperature < minimum
- 29 % LCOE < Base Case (default values, 18.831 ¢/kW-hr)
- Plant and well capital costs: 58% - 66% of LCOE



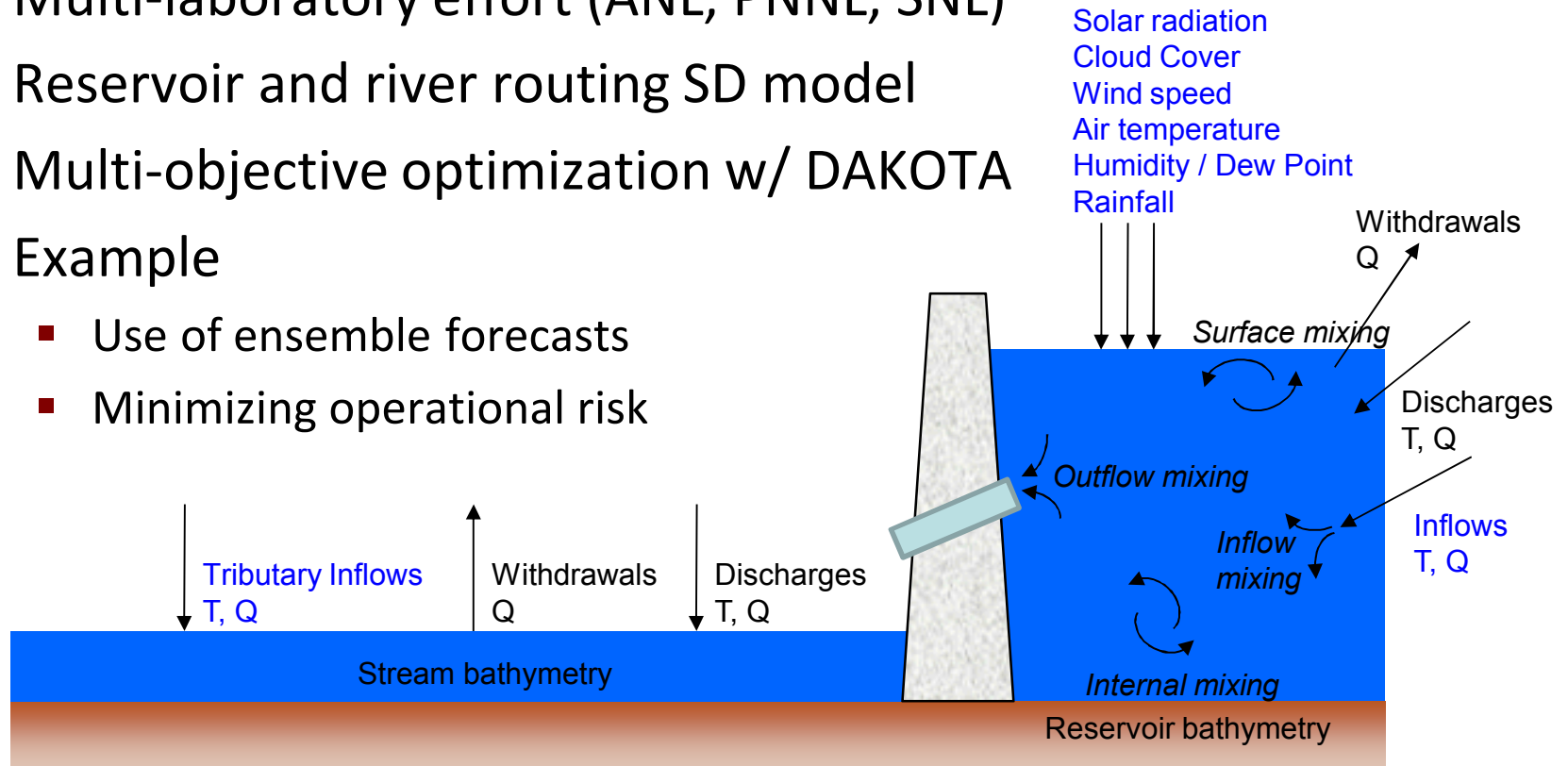
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- Multi-laboratory effort (ANL, PNNL, SNL)
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- Multi-objective optimization w/ DAKOTA
- Example
 - Use of ensemble forecasts
 - Minimizing 'regret'



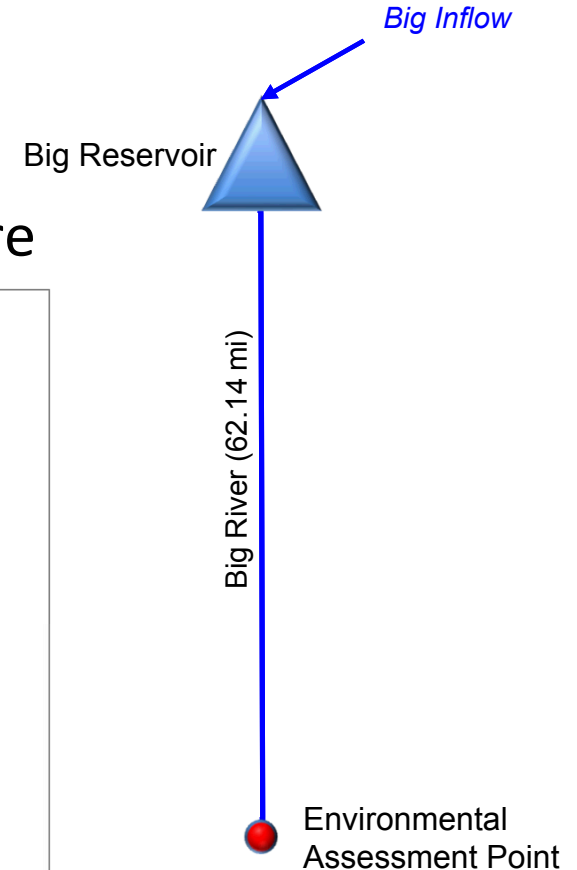
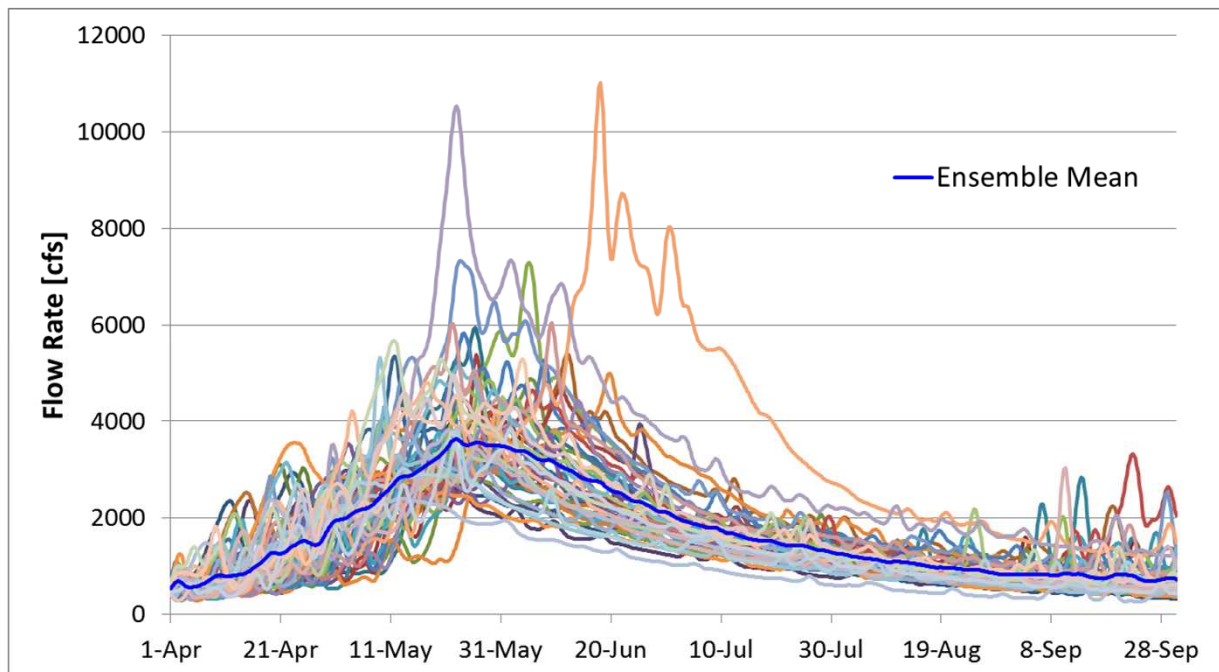
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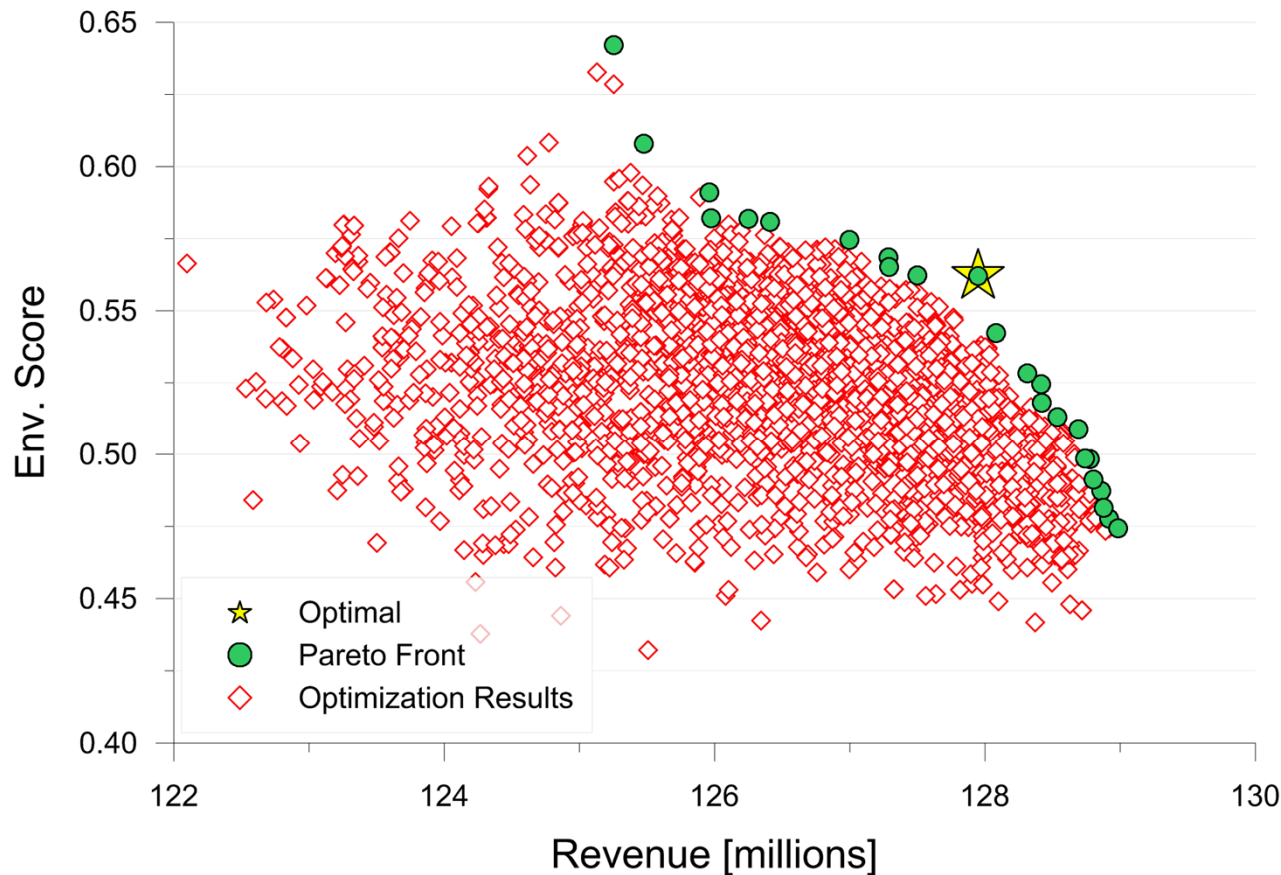
Ensemble Forecasts

- One reservoir and river reach system
- One environmental assessment point
- 50, 6-month forecasts
- Maximize revenue and environmental score



Ensemble Mean

- Typical approach optimizes on the ensemble mean
- Pareto front defines line of tradeoff (2500 simulations)

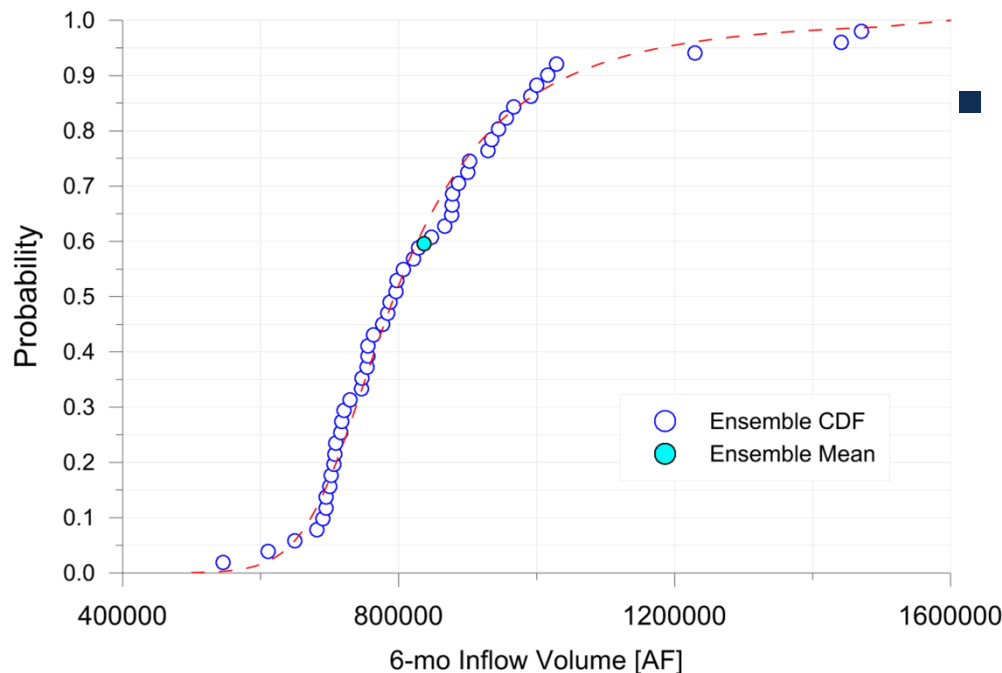


Minimizing Regret

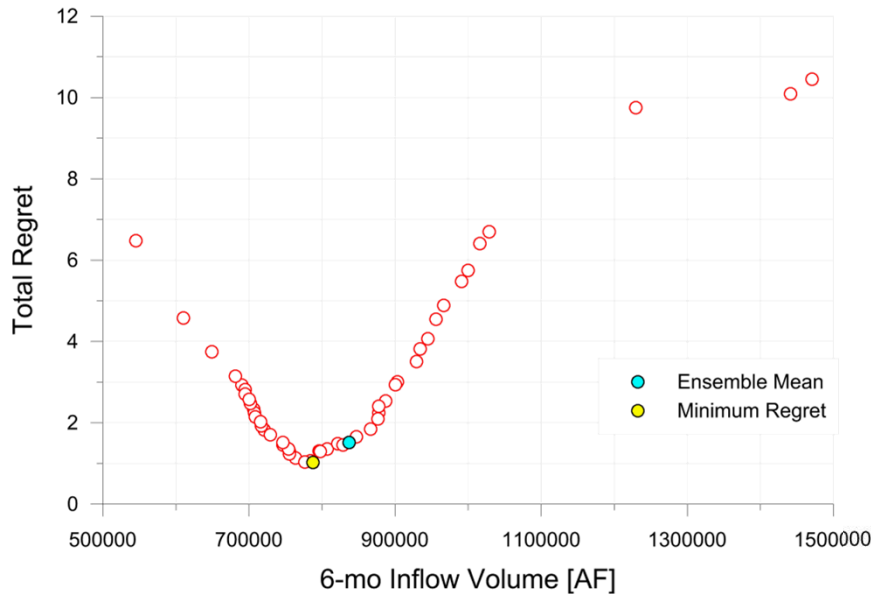
- Is the ensemble mean the ‘best’ forecast to use?
- Any forecast we use will be wrong so we want to minimize the consequence of being wrong (i.e., minimize regret)
 - Given an ensemble of ‘n’ forecasts, what is the risk of assuming forecast ‘j’ and realizing forecast ‘i’?
- Similar to the classic definition of risk ($R = P * C$) but the consequence is expressed as missed opportunity

Minimizing Regret

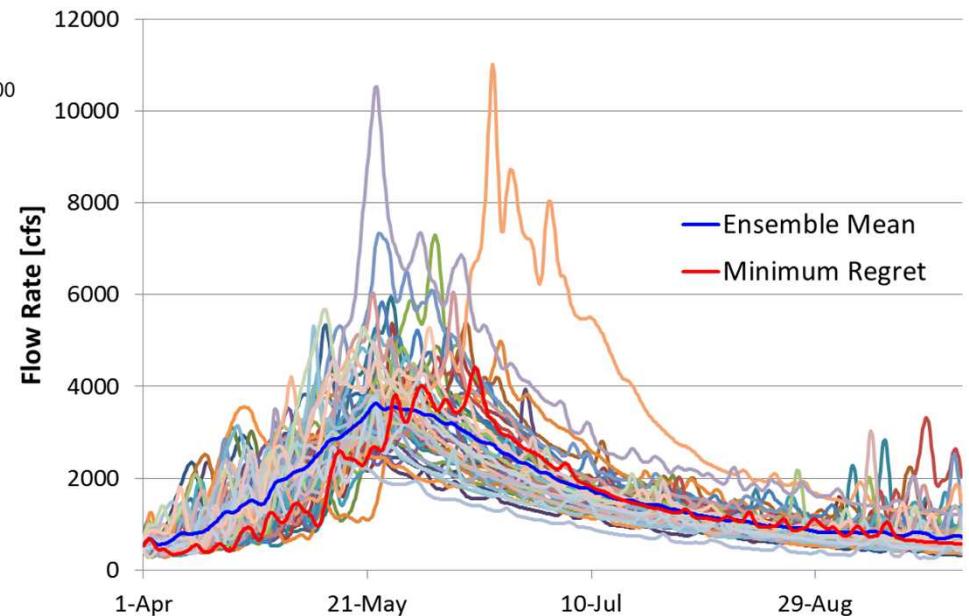
- Convert forecasts to inflow volumes
- Optimize each forecast and choose optimum
- Compare the performance of each optimum operation schedule to the other 49 and calculate regret
- Sum regret scores



HydroSCOPE Ensemble Results



6-mo Inflow Volume [AF]
Ensemble Mean = 836790
Minimum Regret = 787475



Summary

- Water-Energy Systems Analysis Science
 - Examines the intersection between water and energy to try and understand the complex dynamics that control the reliability and sustainability of each
 - Supports decision making and risk management approaches
 - Provides insight into future needs and priorities
- System Dynamics Capabilities
 - Model complex systems of systems with multiple stakeholders and objectives
 - Scalable
 - Fast execution
 - Stochastic modeling for uncertainty and risk assessment
 - Data analysis