

SWIBANGLA

On modeling salt water intrusion

Managing Salt Water Impacts in Bangladesh



Project duration May 2013 up to September 2014

OUR FINAL MODELING GOAL

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To build a reliable 3D variable-density groundwater flow model of the coastal zone of Bangladesh which can be used as a decision support tool to secure drink water supply, now and in the future



- Introduction
- Modelling examples
- Input data
- Some results
- Concluding remarks



Modelling: some statements

A MODEL:

Only a simplification of the reality

Modelling: some statements

A MODEL:

Only a tool, no purpose on itself

Modelling: some statements

A MODEL:

Makes analysis of very complex systems possible

Modelling: some statements

A MODEL:

can be used as a database to store your different types of data

Modelling: some statements

A MODEL:

makes simulation of the future system possible

Modelling: some statements

A MODEL:

Garbage in=Garbage out: -> (field)data essential!

Modelling: some statements

A MODEL:

perfect fit measurement and simulation is suspicious

Modelling: some statements

A MODEL:

Tool of communication between scientist and stakeholder

Errors in modelling

- Wrong model concept

Important resistance layer not considered

- Incomplete equations

decay term of solute transport not considered

- Inaccurate parameters and variables

solute mixing parameters (dispersivities), interaction with surface water

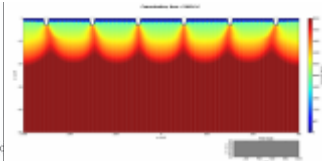
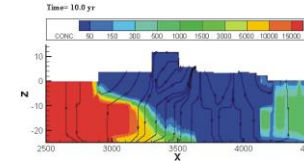
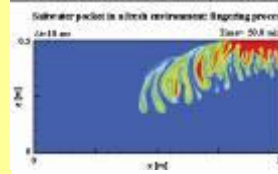
- Errors in computer code

- Numerical inaccuracies

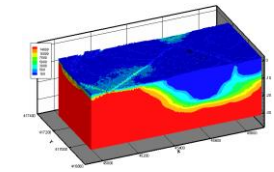
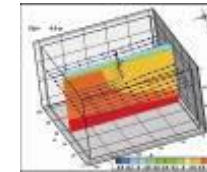
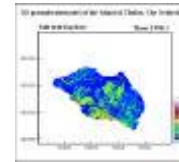
Δx , Δt , numerical dispersion, oscillation

DIFFERENT MODEL CELL SIZES TO CONSIDER SEVERAL PHENOMENA

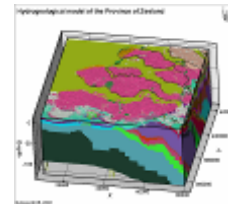
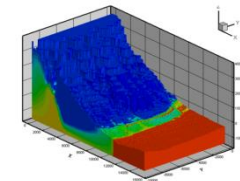
Sub-local: fingering, salty sand boils
Sri Lanka (Tsunami 2004), Zandmotor
cell size=1cm-1m



Local: rainwater lenses, heat-cold
Tholen, Schouwen-Duiveland
cell size=5-25m

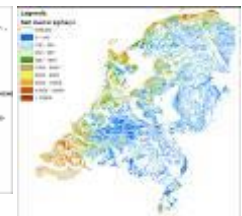
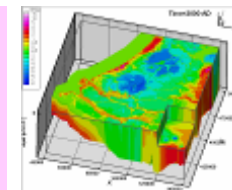


Regional:
Zeeland, Gujarat/India, Philippines
cell size=100m

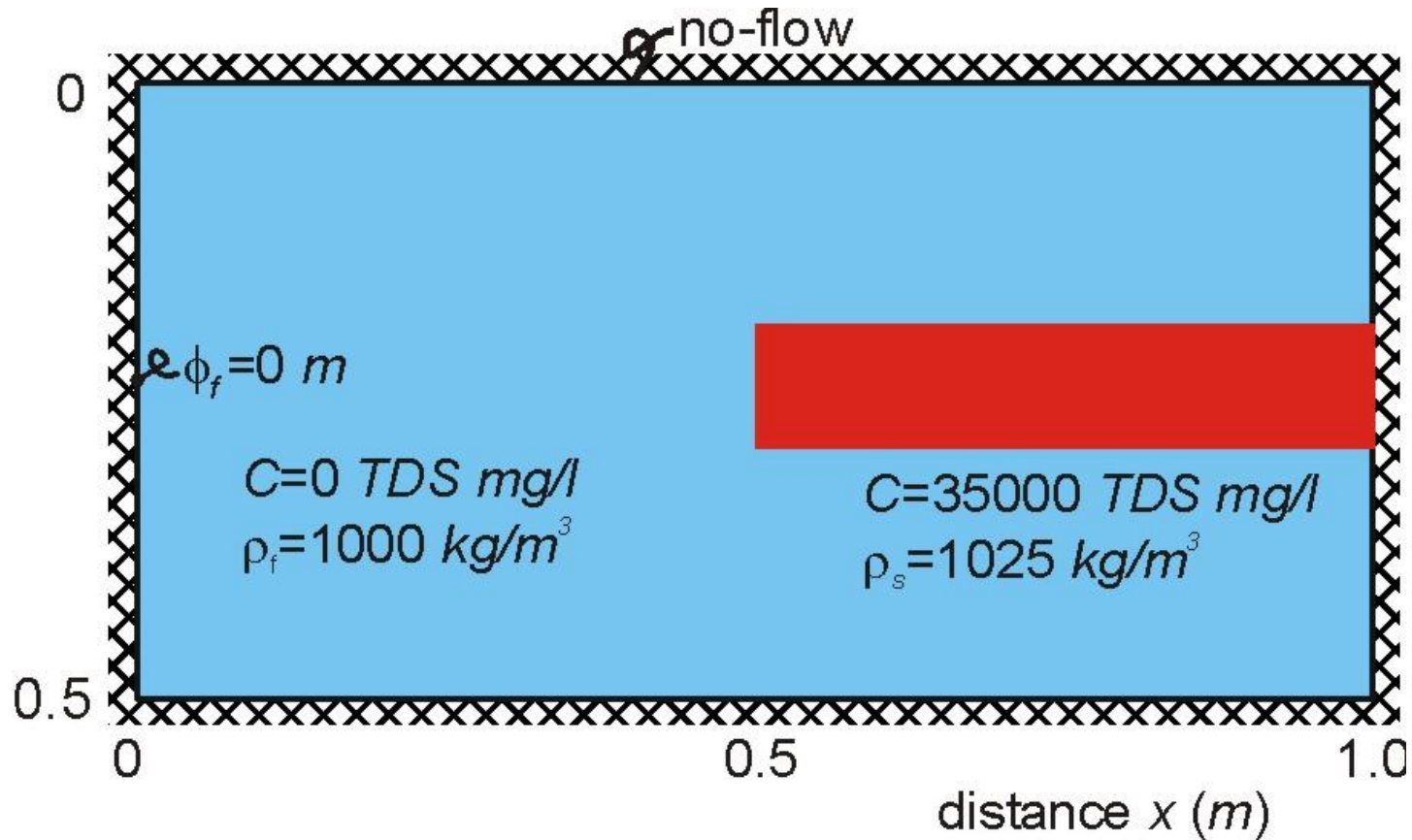


Goal:
To take largest cell size possible to
accurately model relevant salinisation
processes

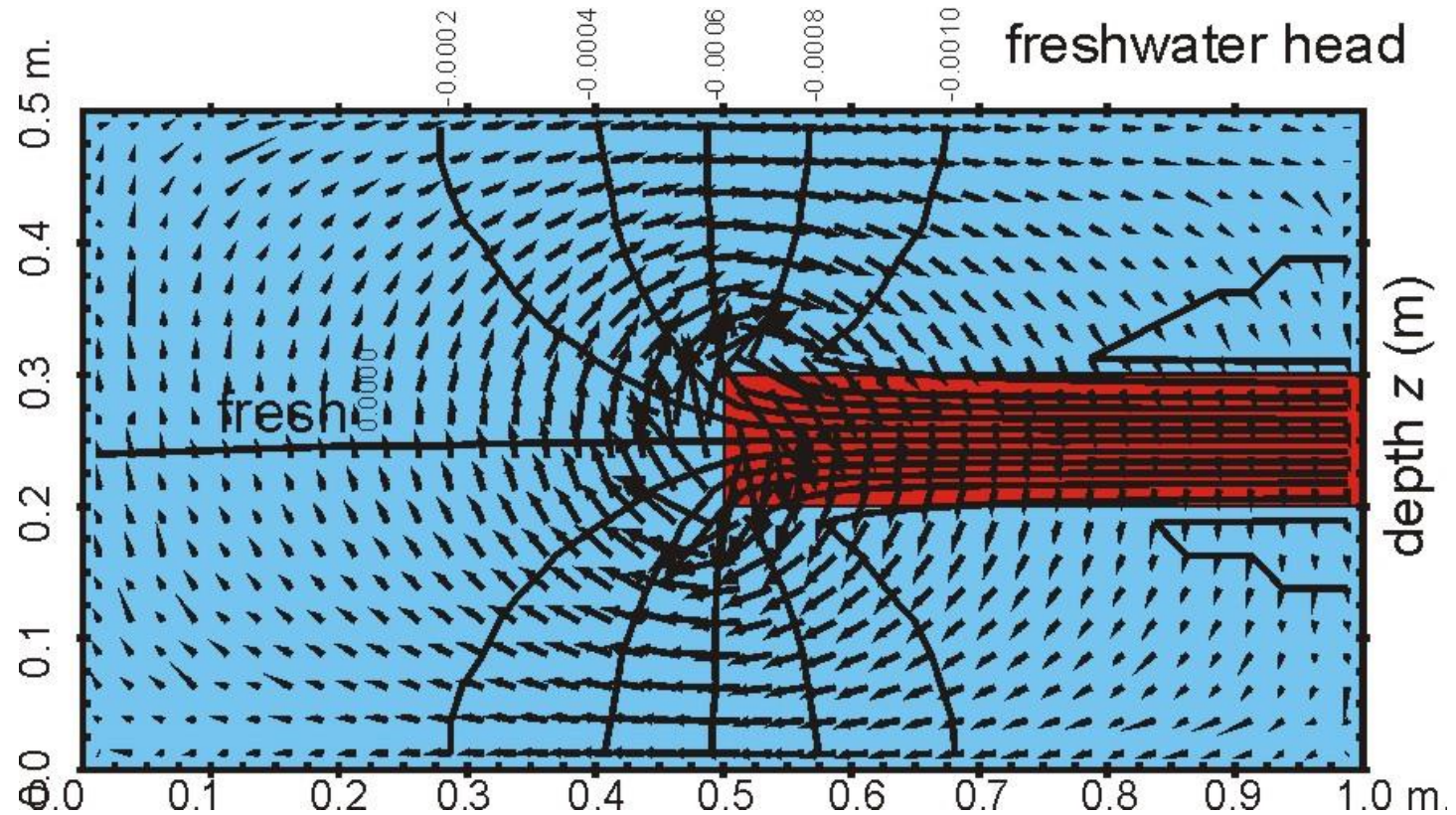
National: salt load
Zuid-Holland, NHI
cell size=250m-1km



EXAMPLE 1: EFFECT OF SIZE MODEL CELL ON PHYSICAL PROCESS



EFFECT OF SIZE MODEL CELL ON PHYSICAL PROCESS

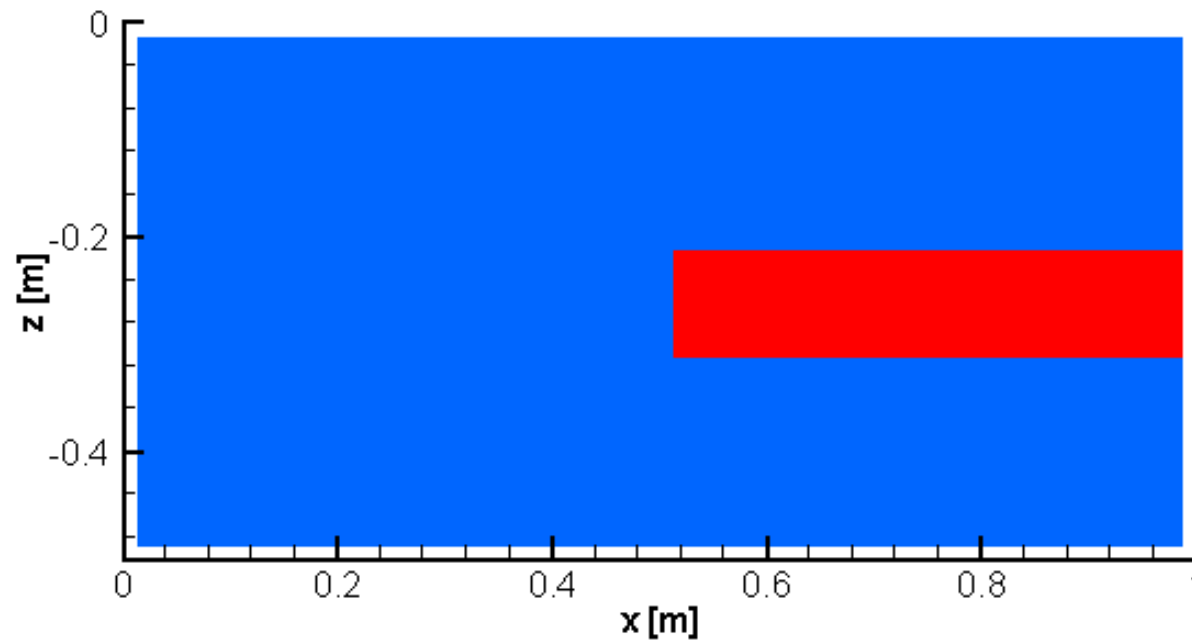


SALT WATER POCKET IN A FRESH ENVIRONMENT

Saline pocket in fresh groundwater: fingering process

40*20 cells

Time= 0 min

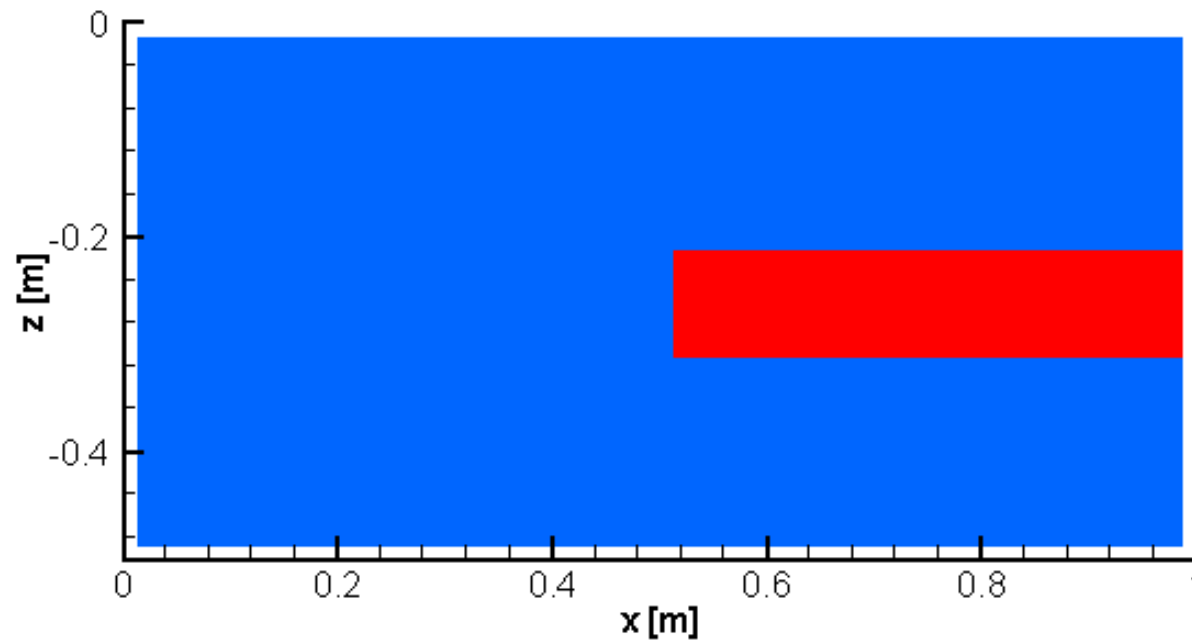


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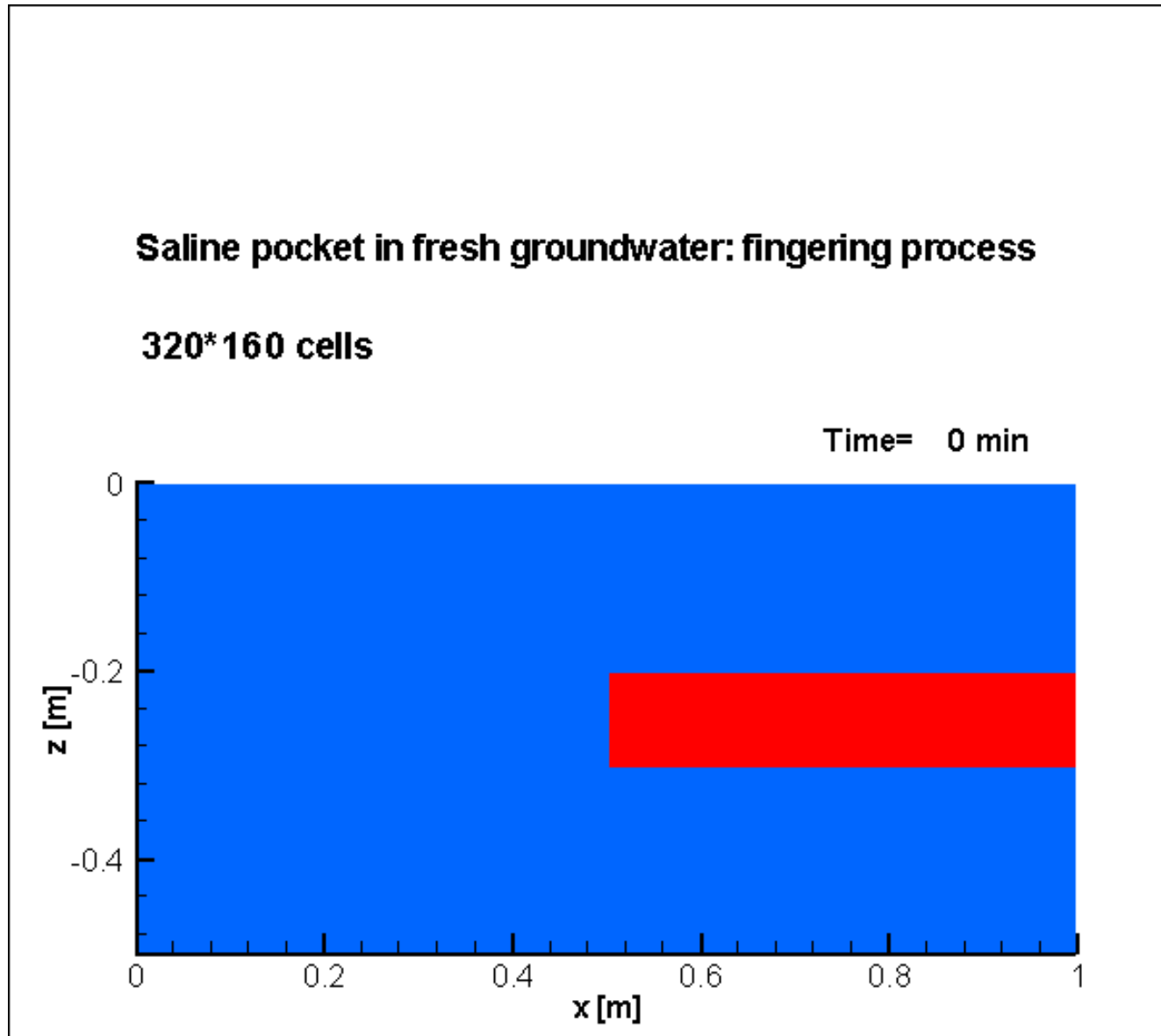
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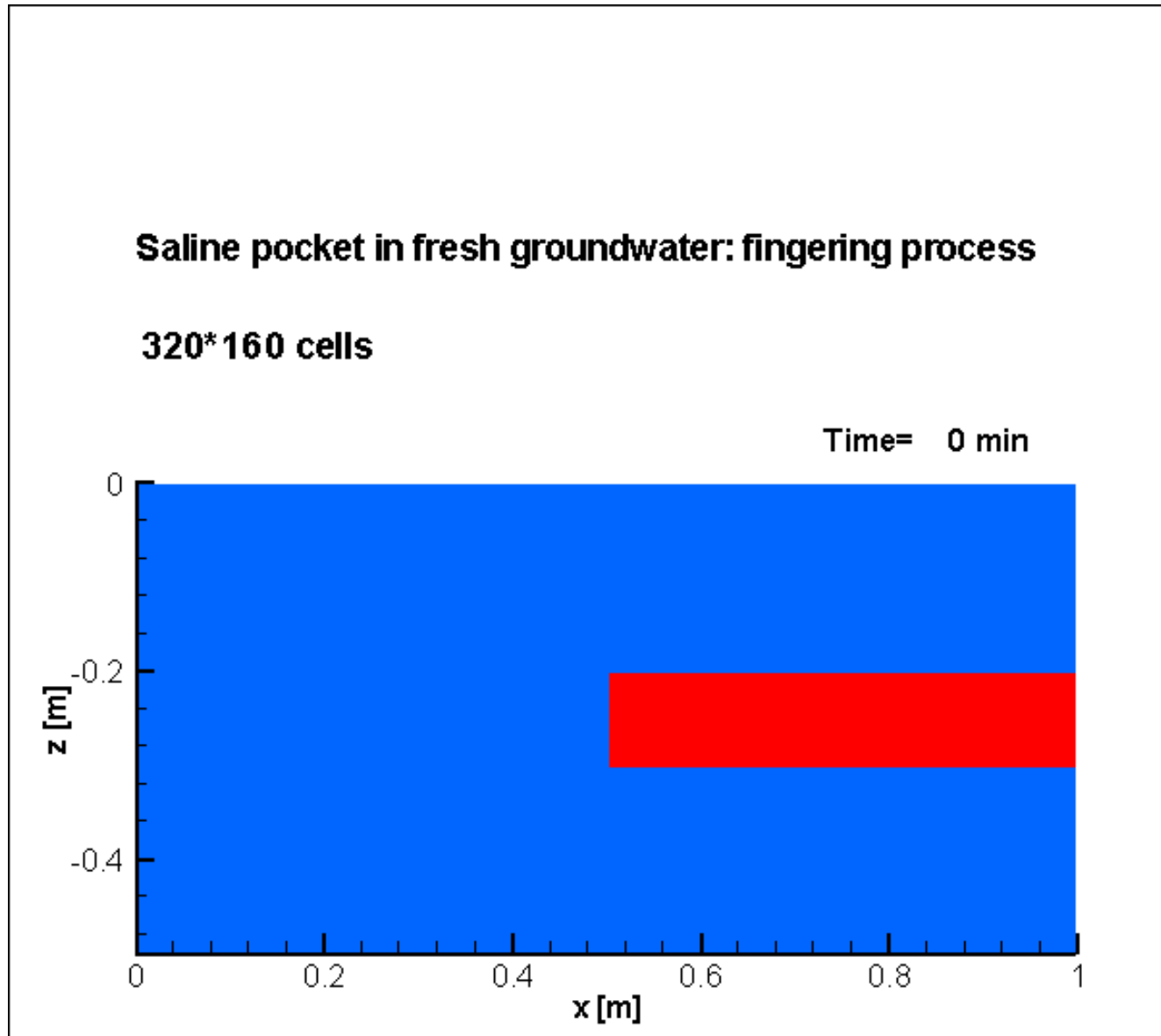
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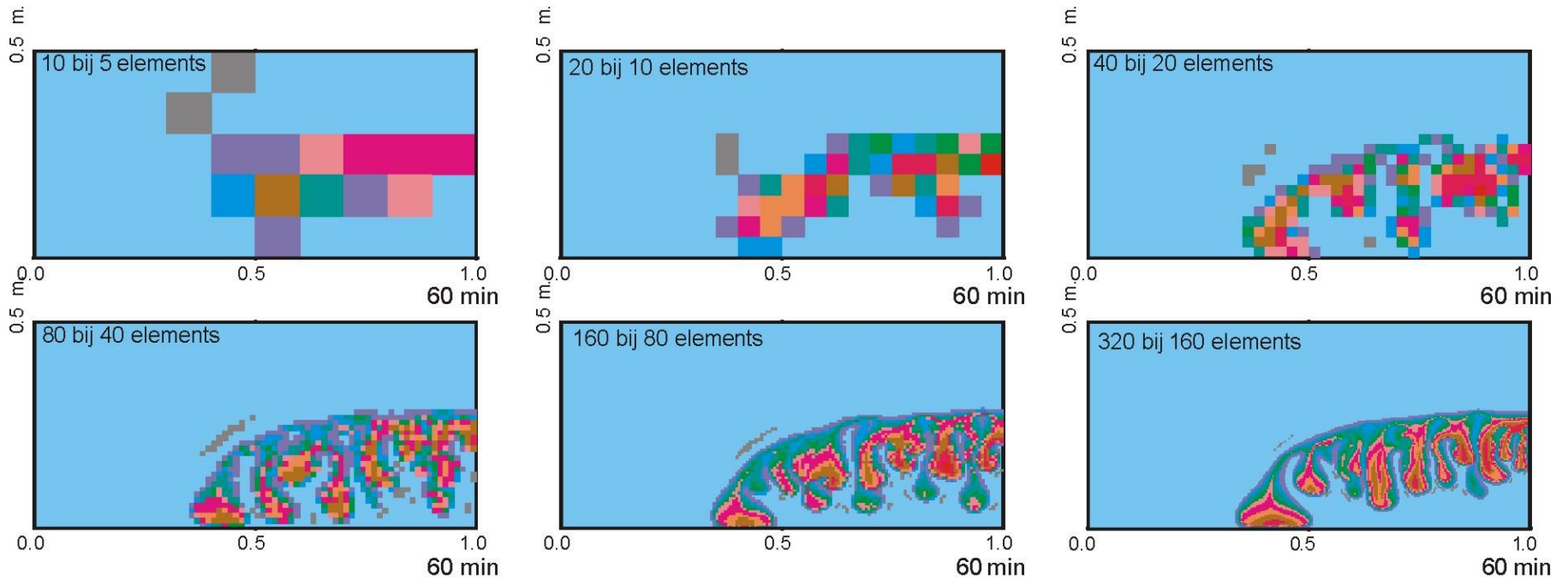
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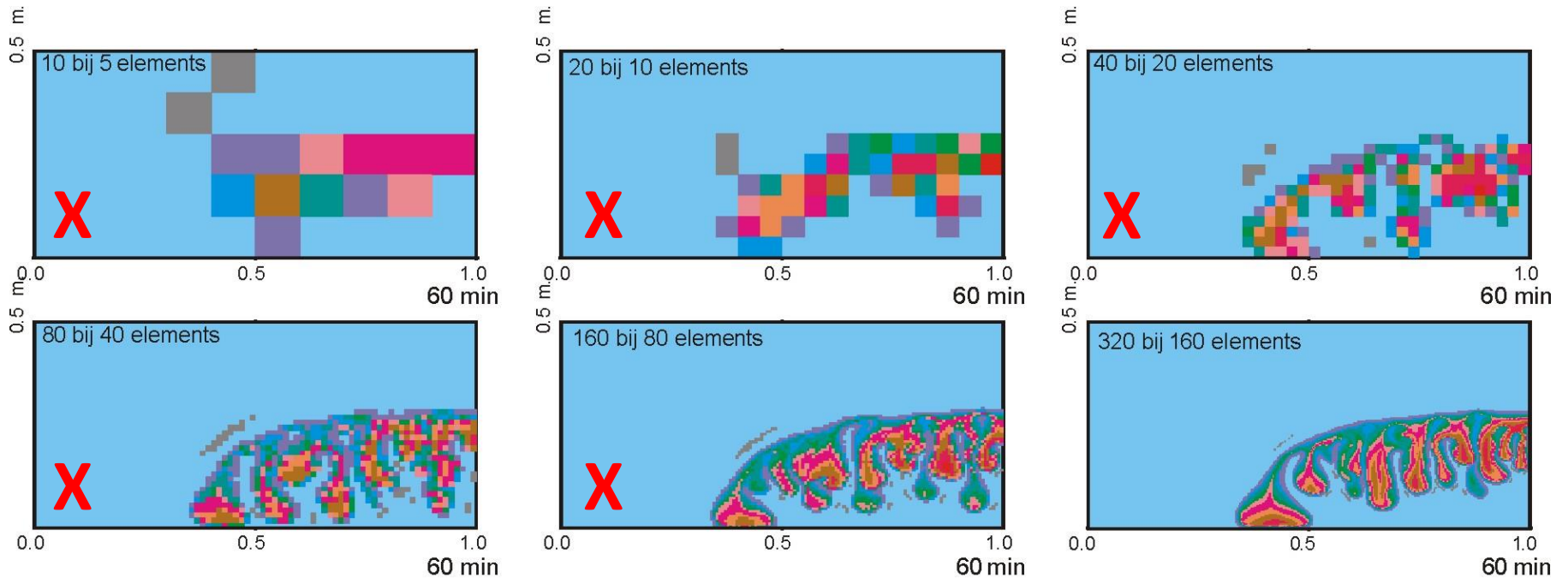


Total Dissolved Solutes [mg/l]:



Size of cell has a **large** effect on modelling result!

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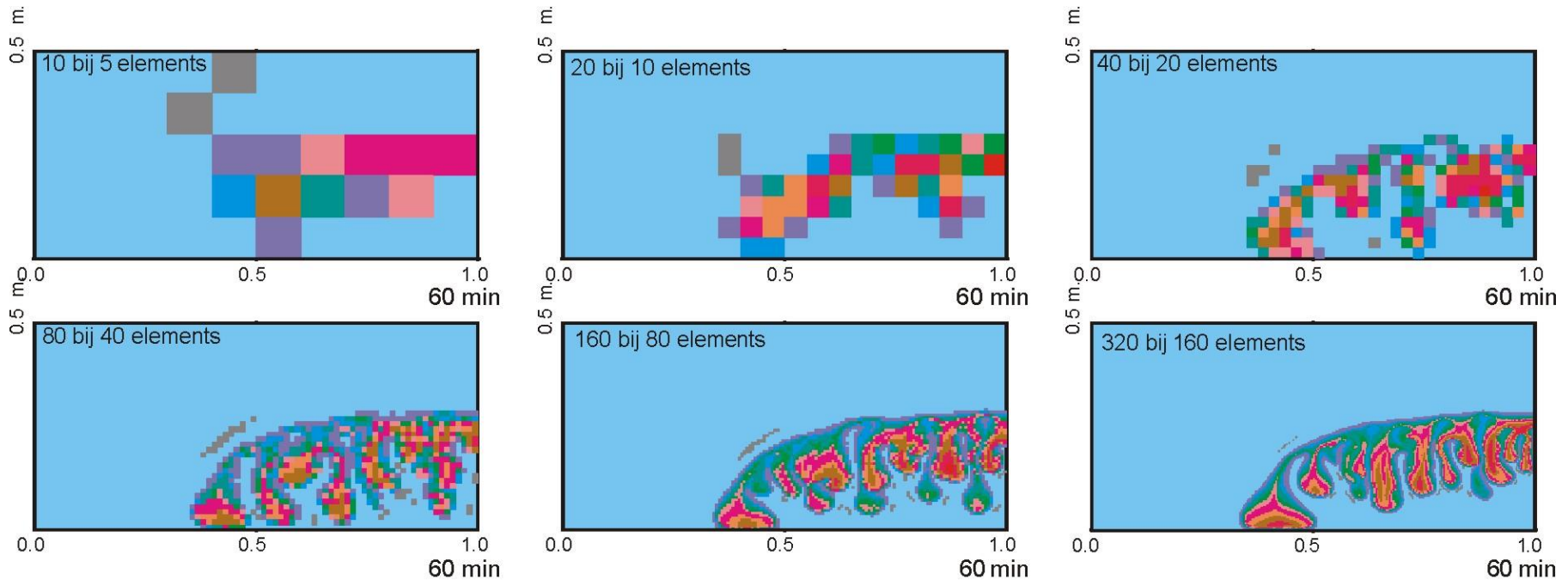
Total Dissolved Solutes [mg/l]:



X= LOUSY models for predicting exact number of salt water fingers

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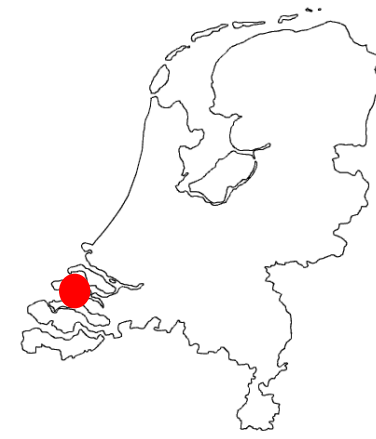
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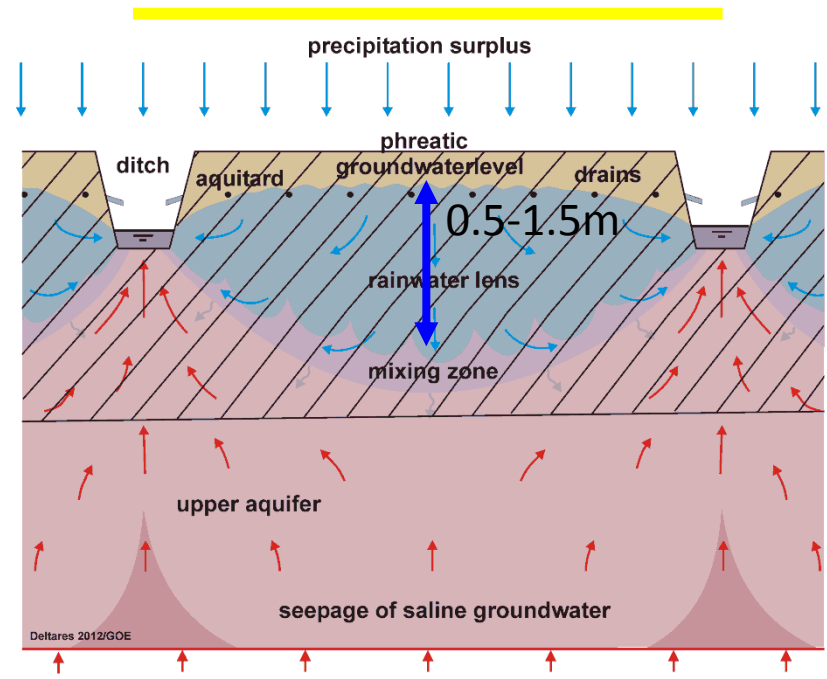
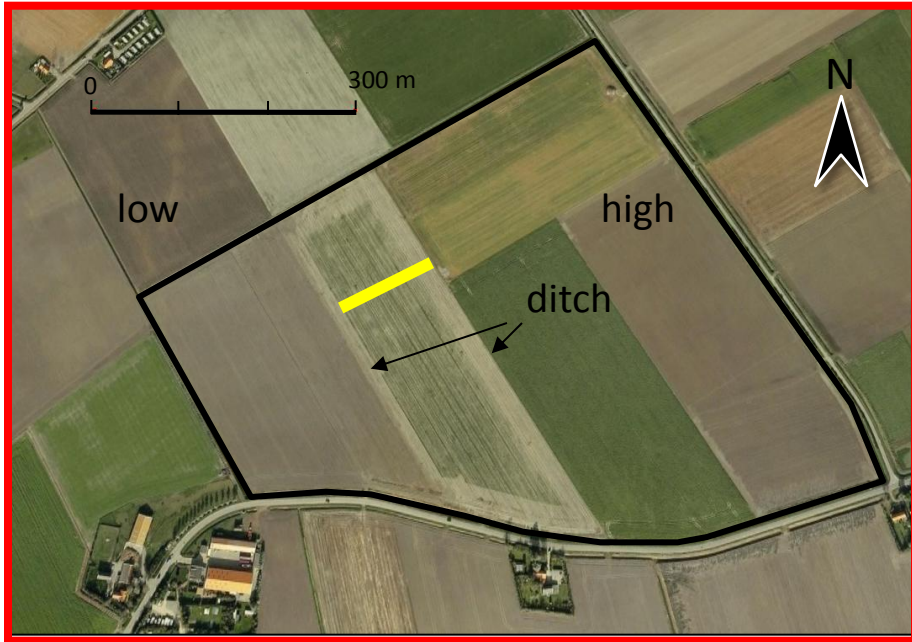
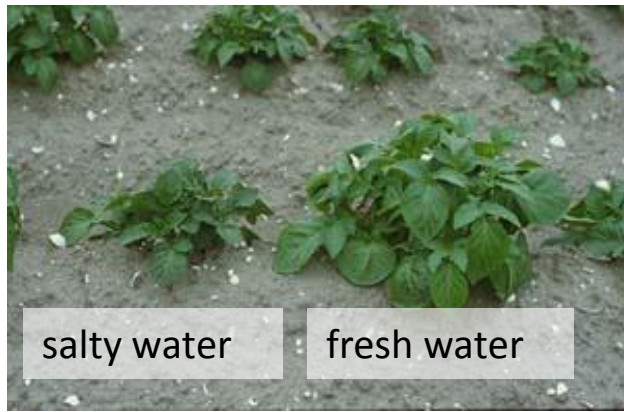
All models are GOOD for predicting moment of touching bottom!

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EXAMPLE 2: CASE ON A LOCAL 3D MODEL



Local model:
3D, MOCDENS3D
salt-fresh
5*5m² cells



shallow fresh water lens

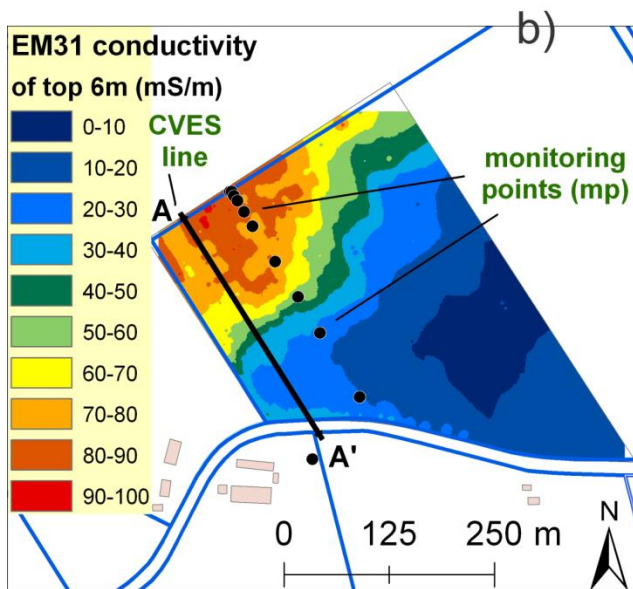
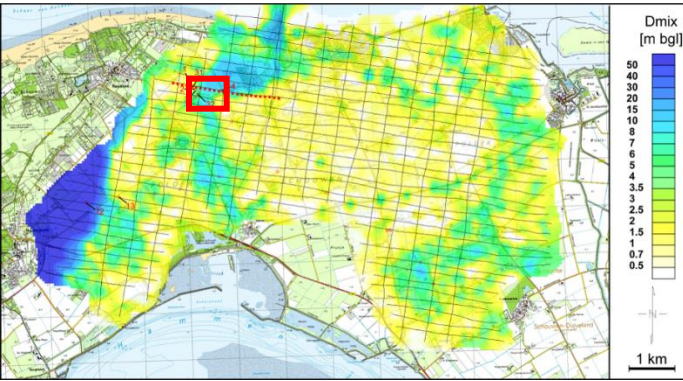
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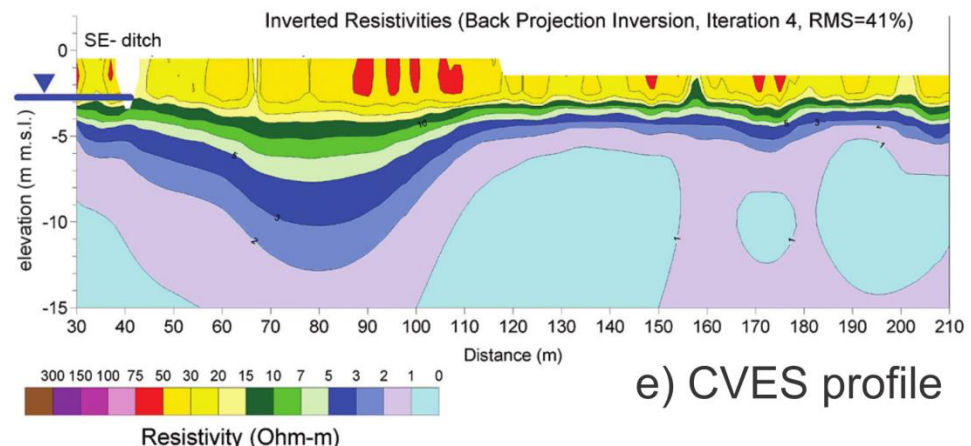
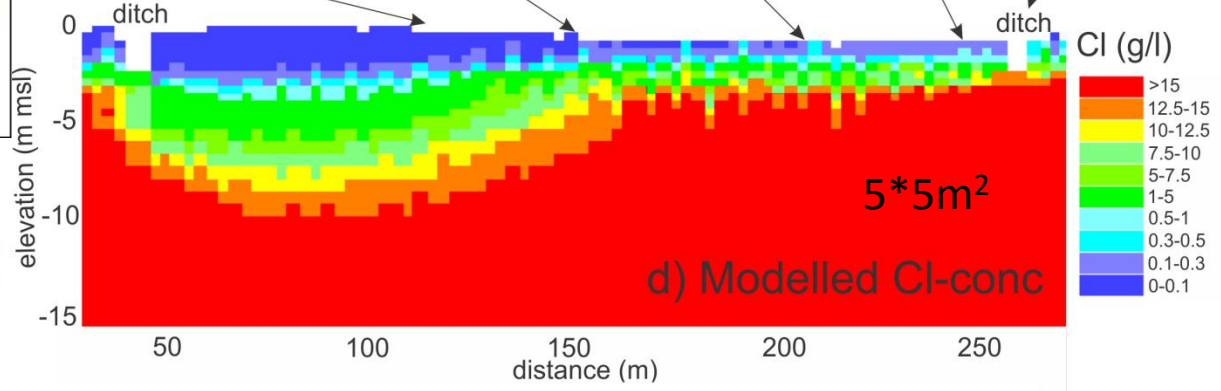
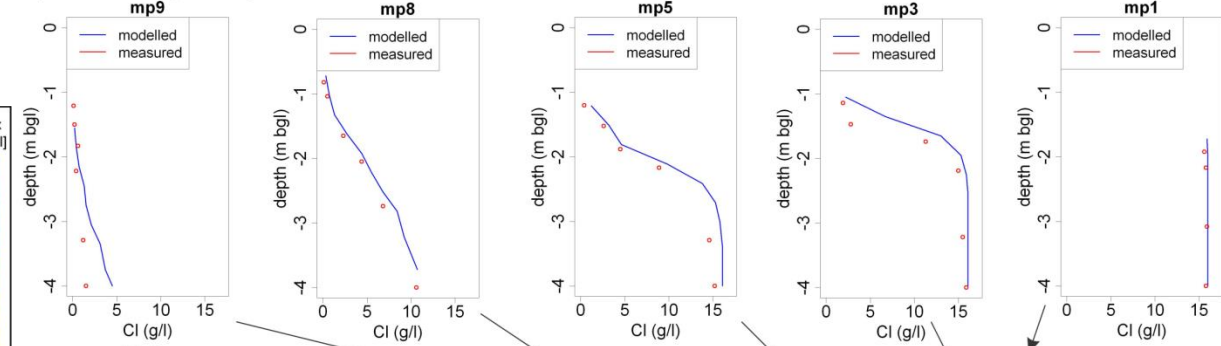
COMPARISON MONITORING DATA WITH MODEL RESULTS



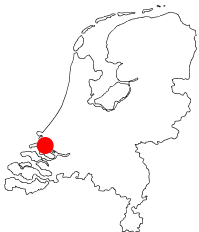
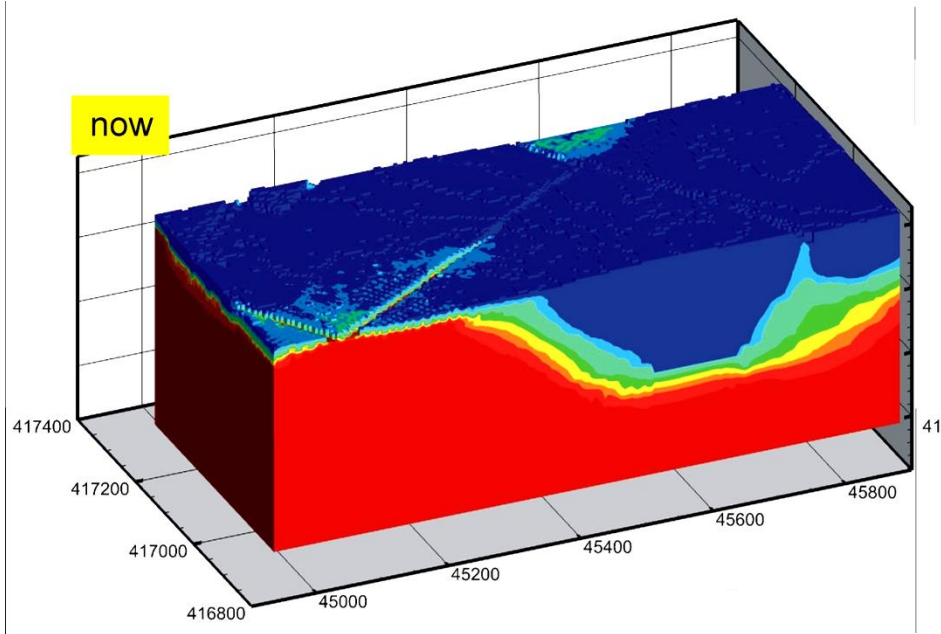
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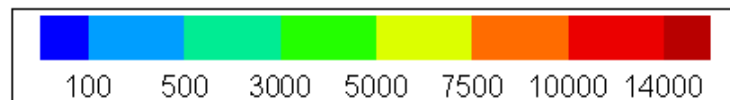
c) Cl-depth profiles



MODELLING CL-CONC. WITH DIFFERENT CC SCENARIOS

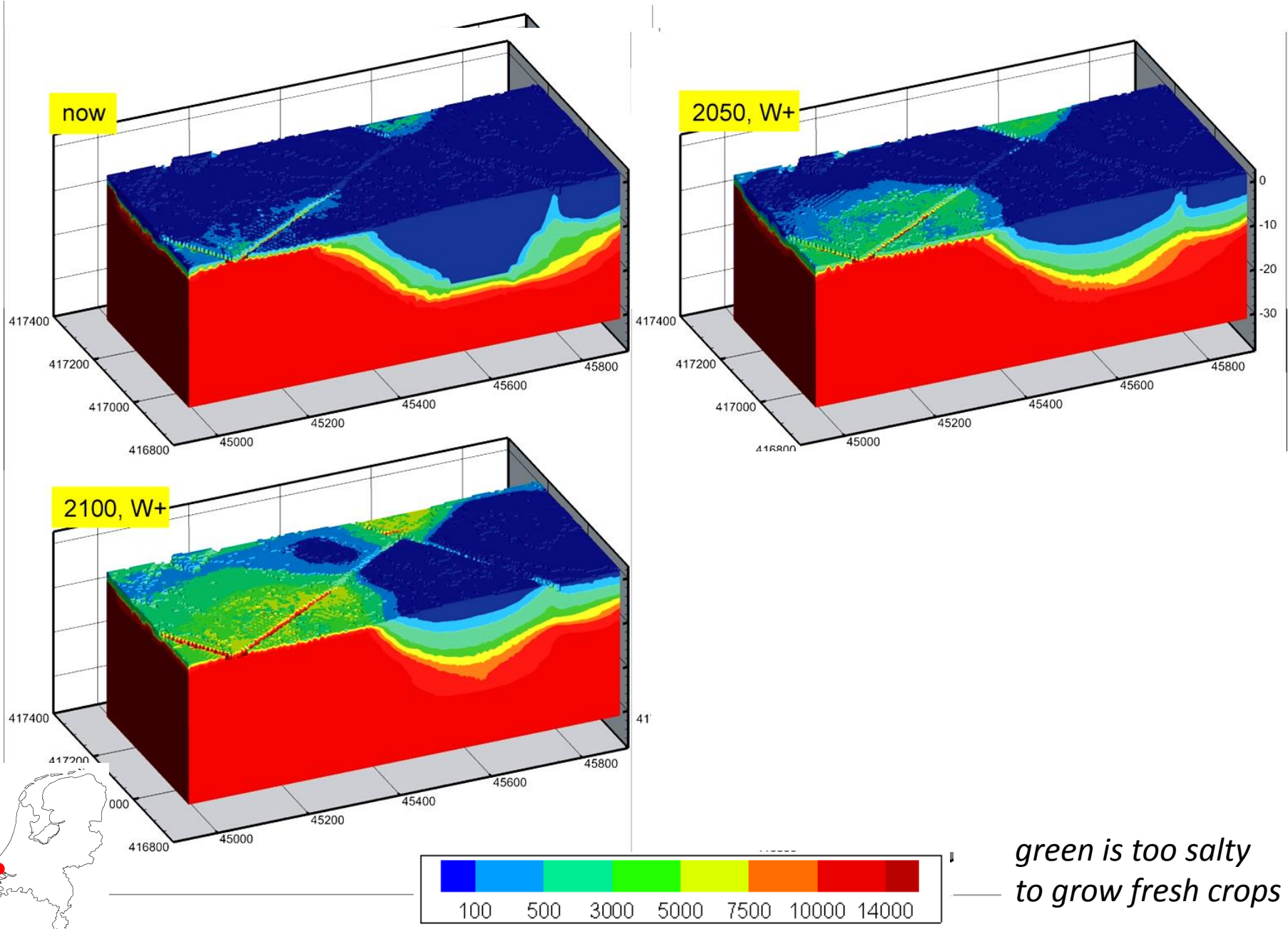


724 SFWMD

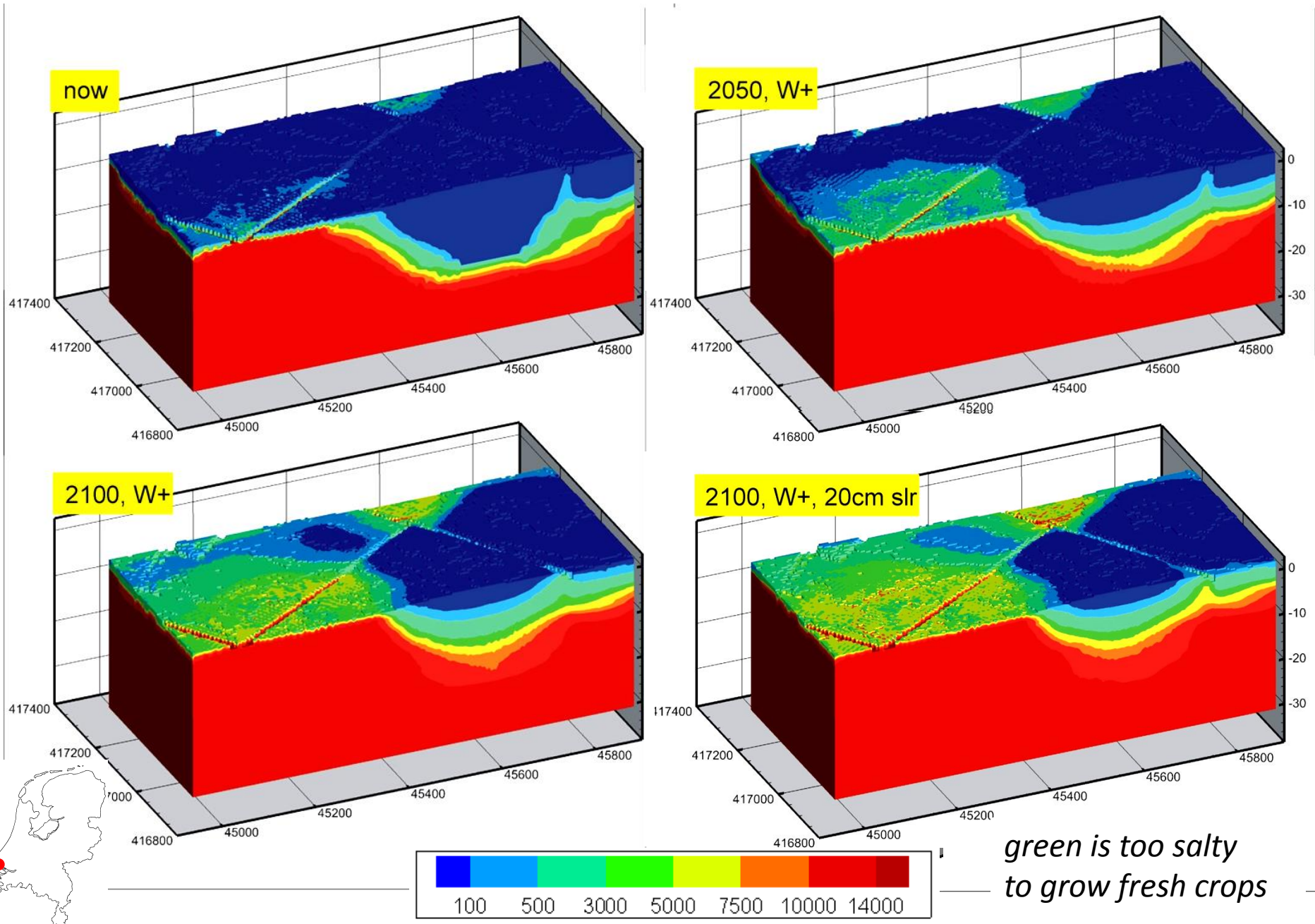


*green is too salty
to grow fresh crops*

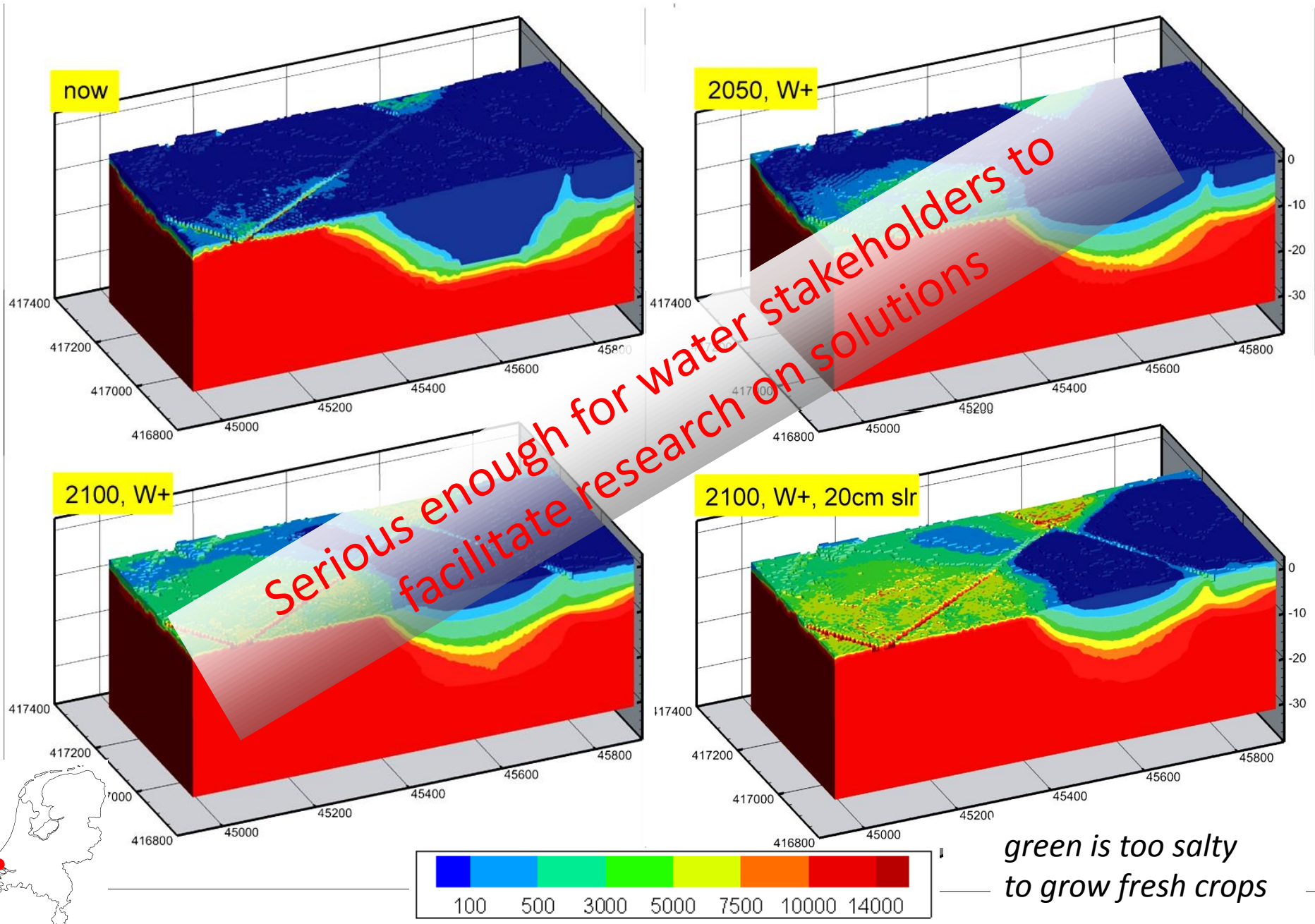
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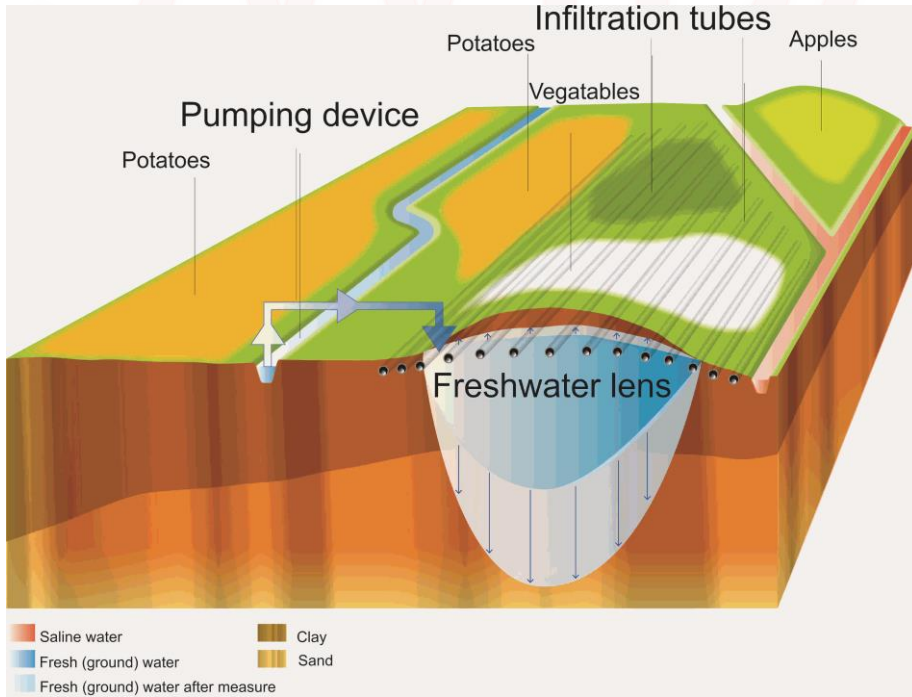
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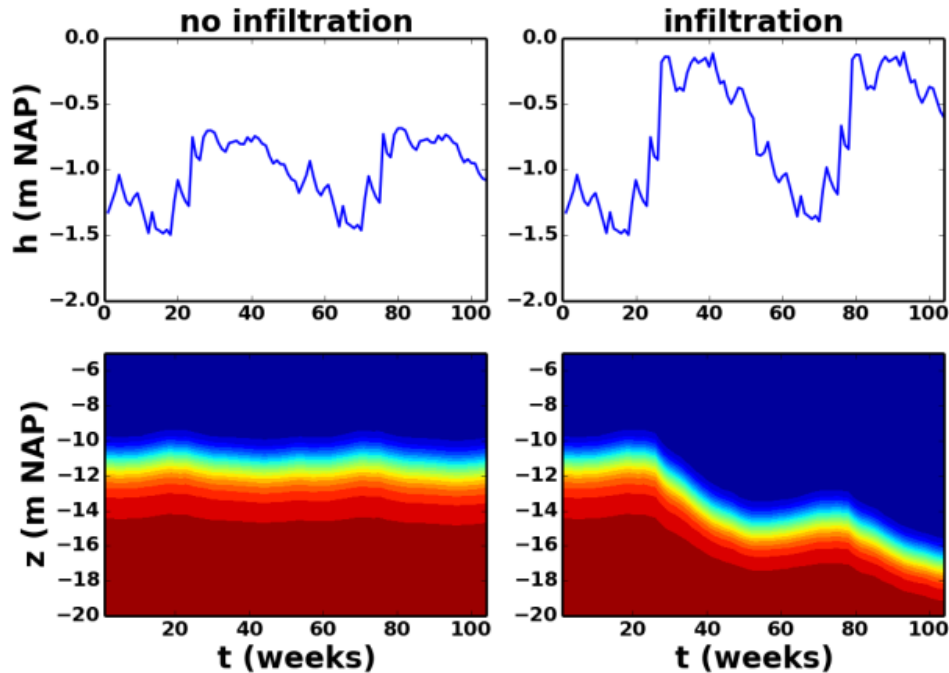
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CREEKRIDGE INFILTRATION SYSTEM: AQUIFER STORAGE SYSTEM



Modelling result



Monitoring result



STAKEHOLDER PARTICIPATION AND KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER



apple trees



fennel



education

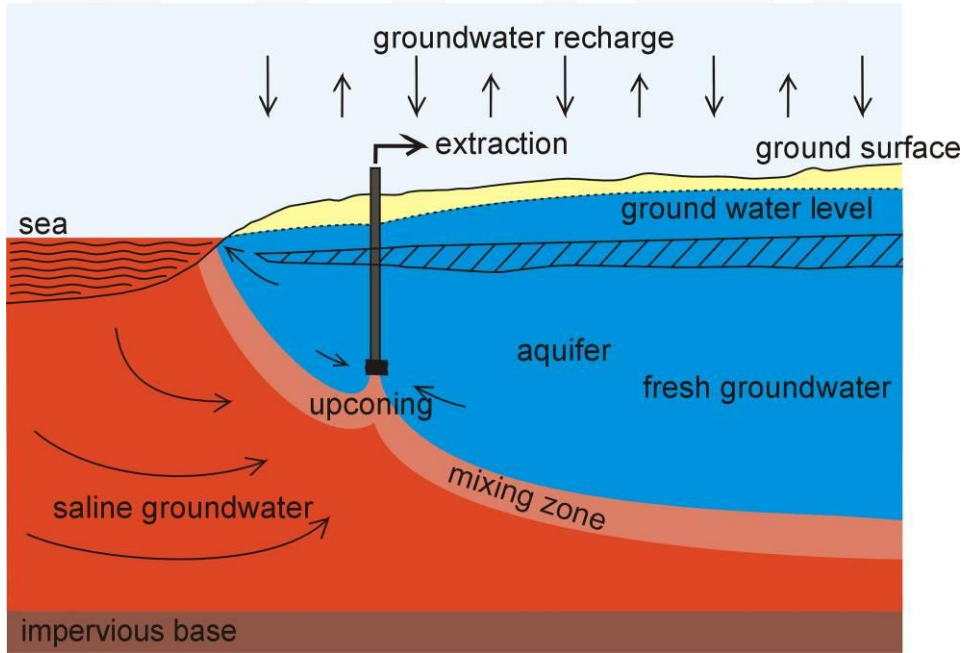


knowledge

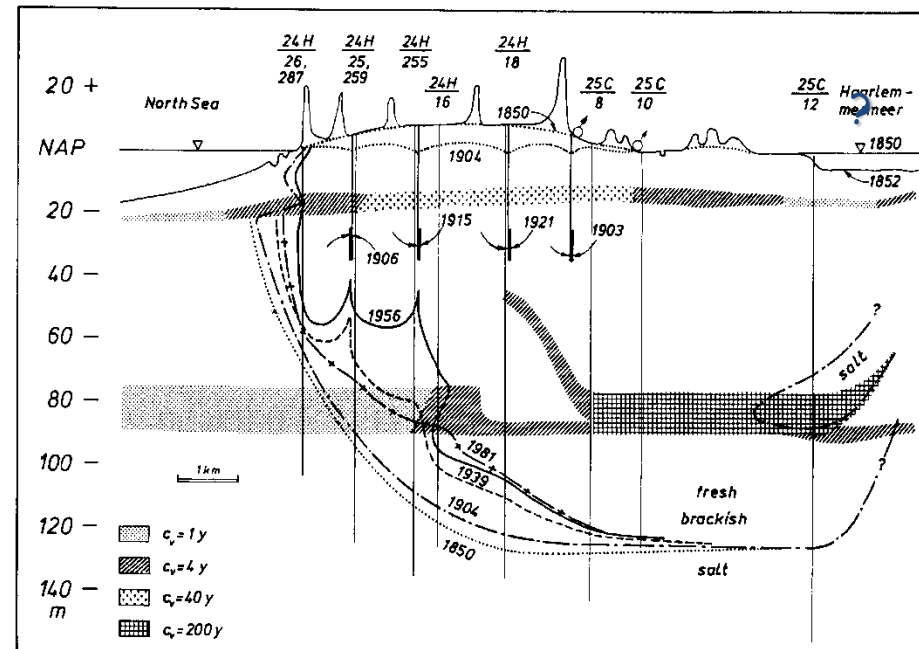


potatoes

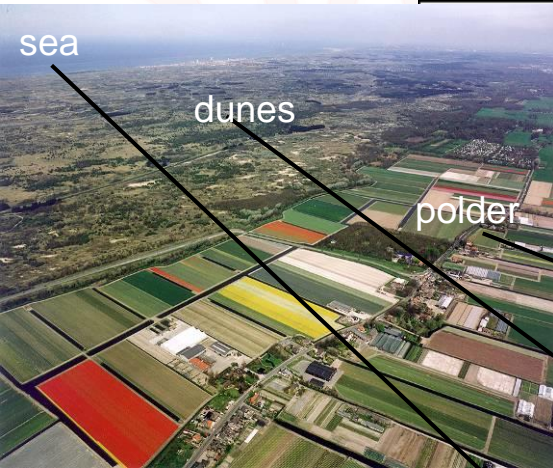
EXAMPLE 3: UPCONING OF BRACKISH-SALINE GROUNDWATER



Stuyfzand, 1993



SALTWATER INTRUSION IN THE DUTCH COASTAL ZONE

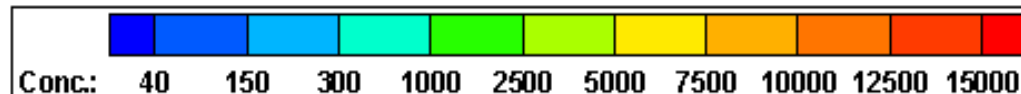
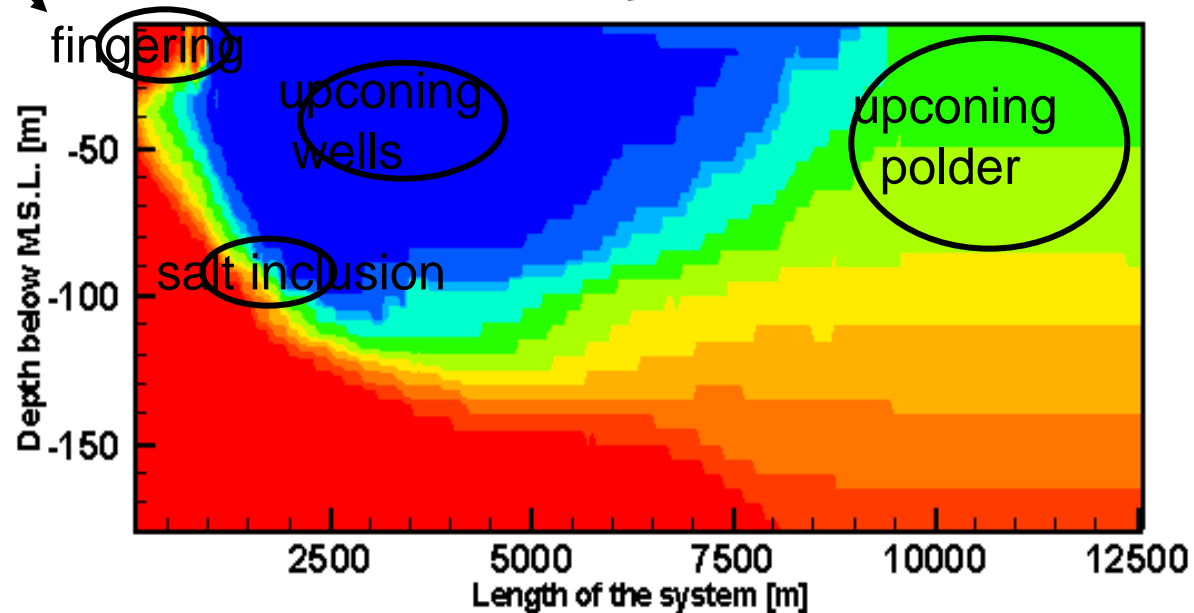


Salinisation of the groundwater flow system

caused due to groundwater extractions and lowering of the ground surface of the Haarlemmermeer polder

Profile Amsterdam Waterworks-Haarlemmermeerpolder

Time= 1854 AD



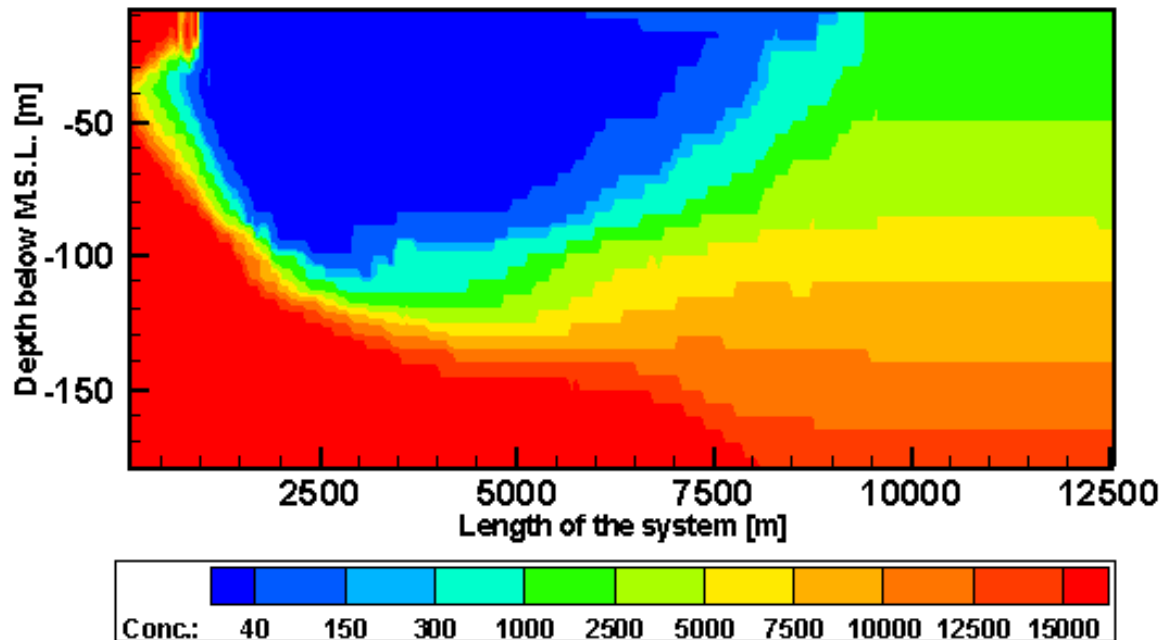
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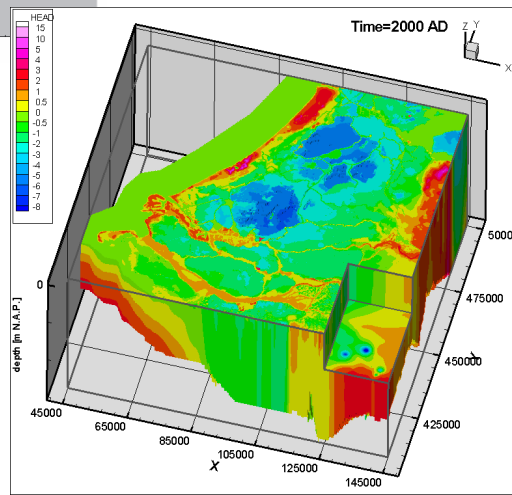
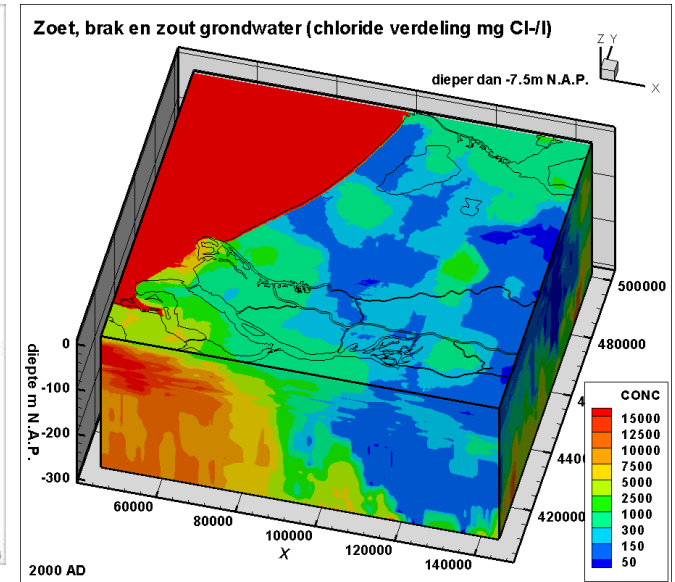
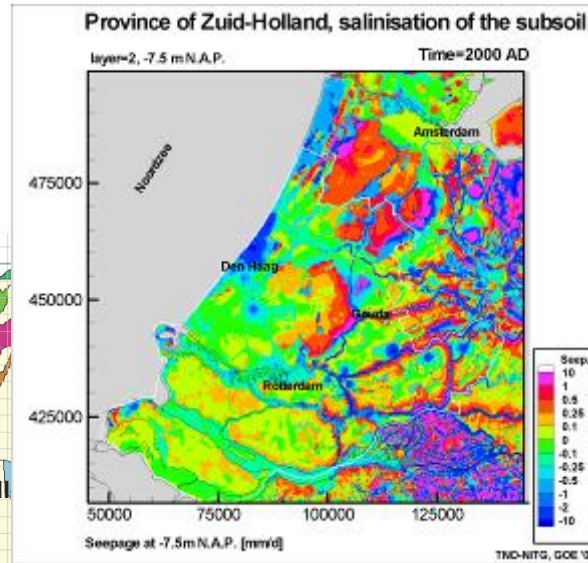
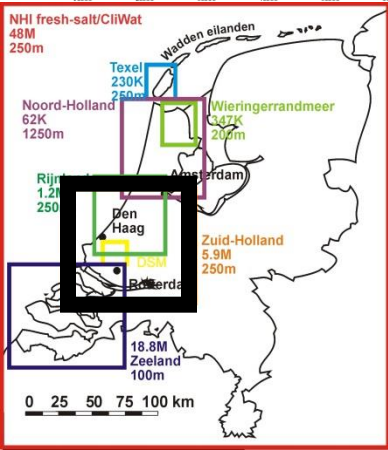
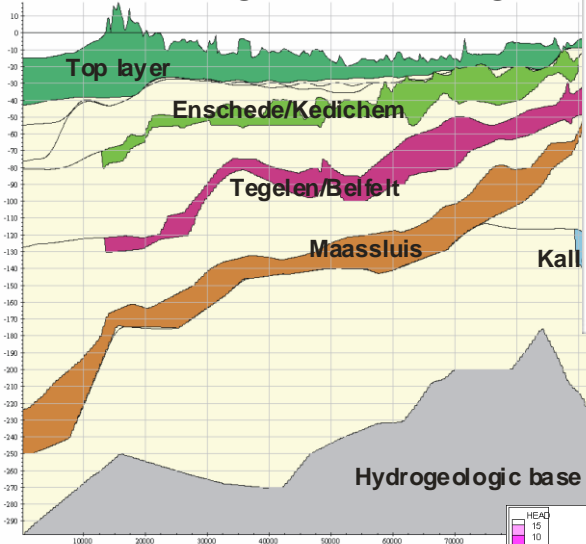
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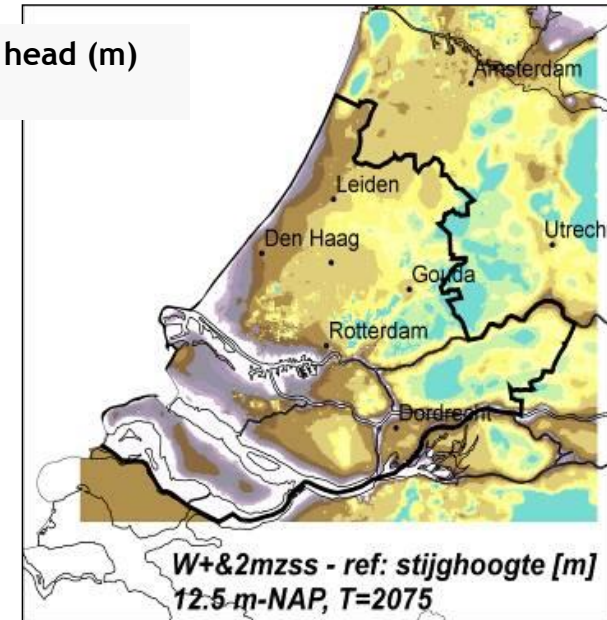
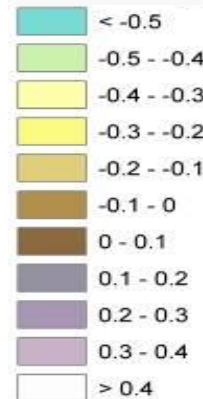
EXAMPLE 4

3D FRESH-SALT MODEL PROVINCE ZUID-HOLLAND

- Land subsidence
- Sea level rise
- Change in recharge

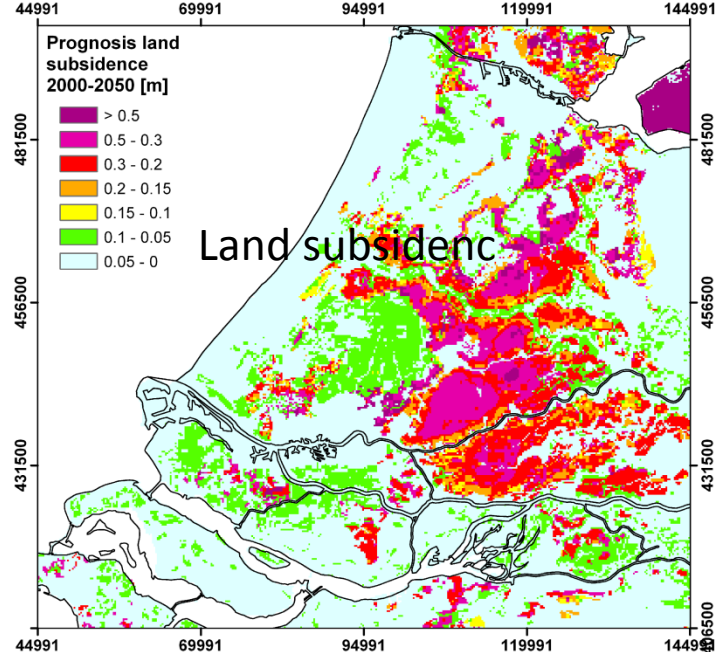


difference in head (m)



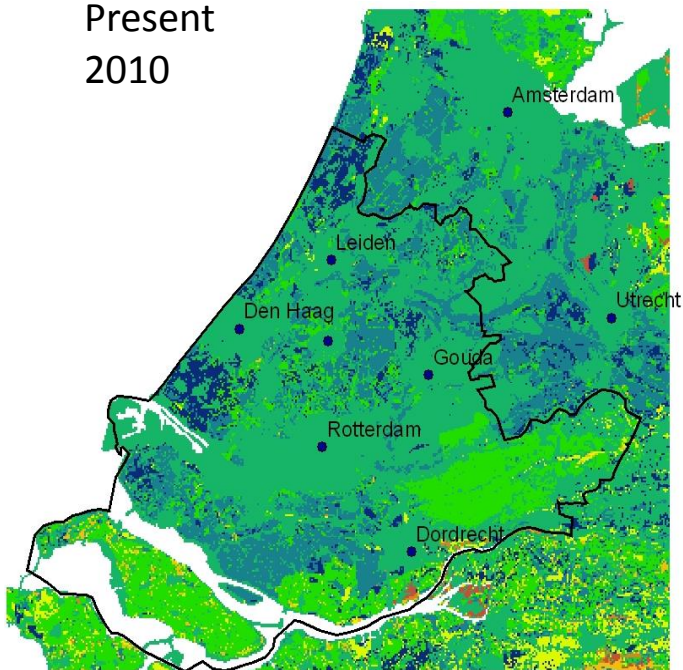
MODELSTUDY ZUID-HOLLAND

- 100km * 92.5km * 300m depth
- ~4 million active cells
- Land subsidence
- Sea level rise
- Change in natural groundwater recharge

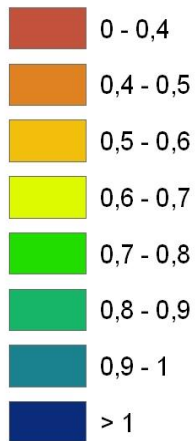


4 recharge scenarios

Present
2010

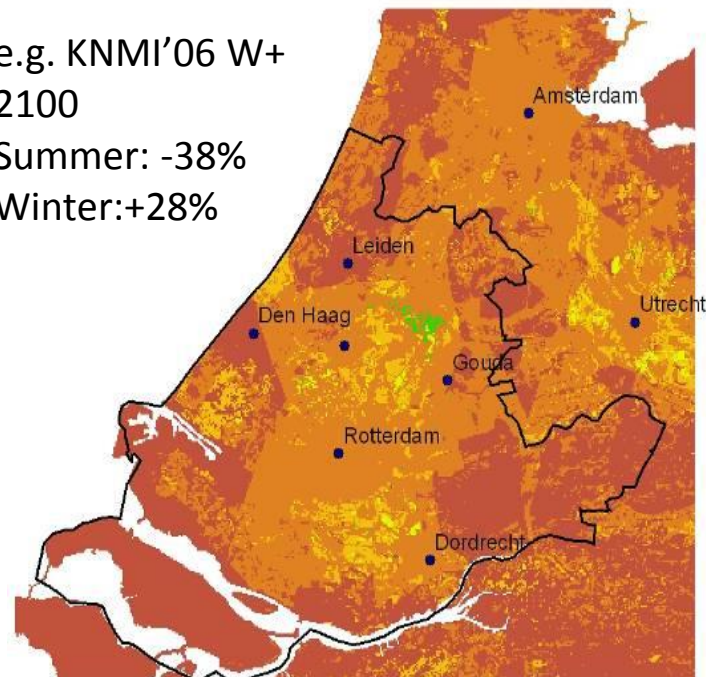


GW recharge
mm/day

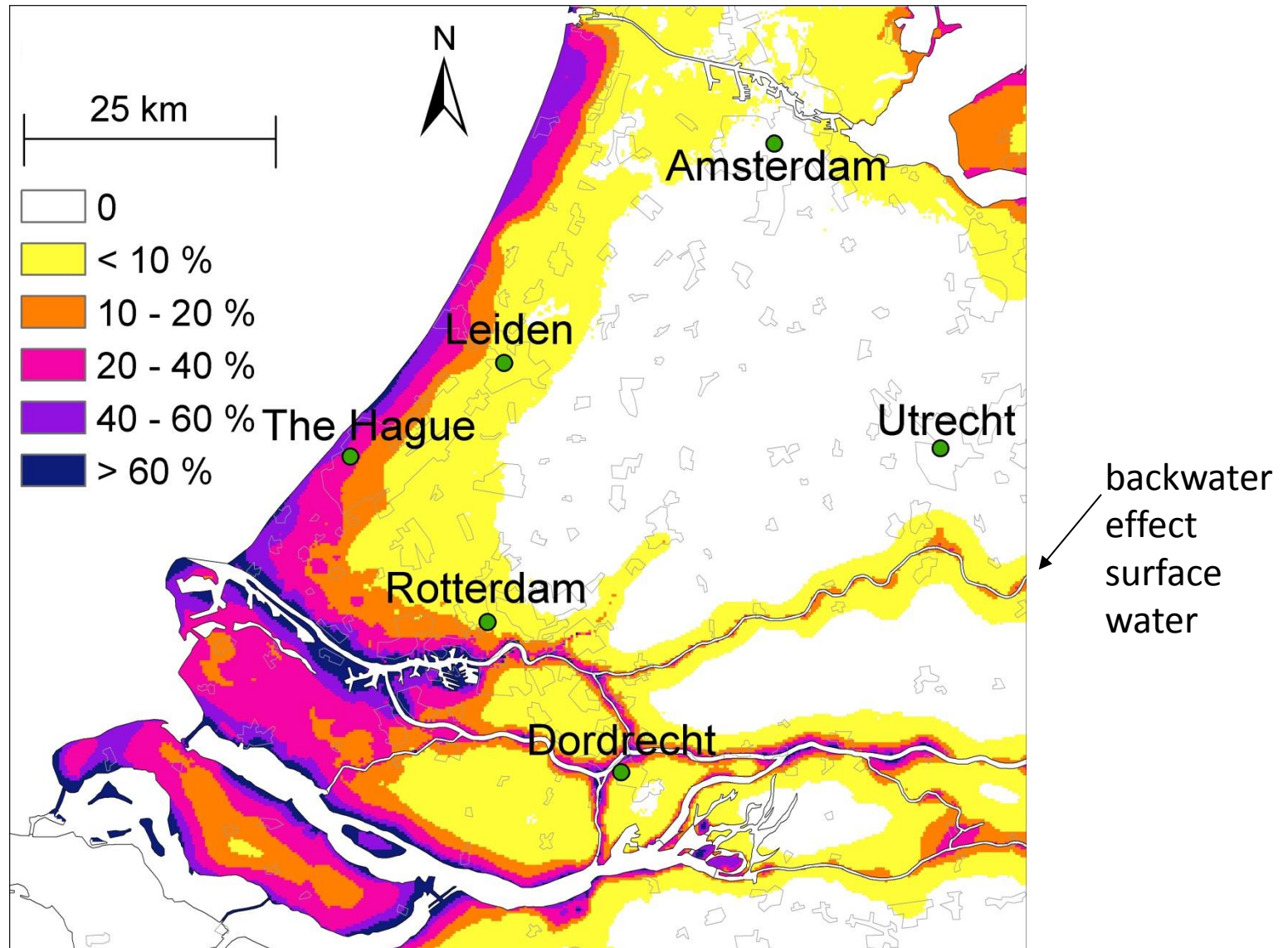


e.g. KNMI'06 W+
2100

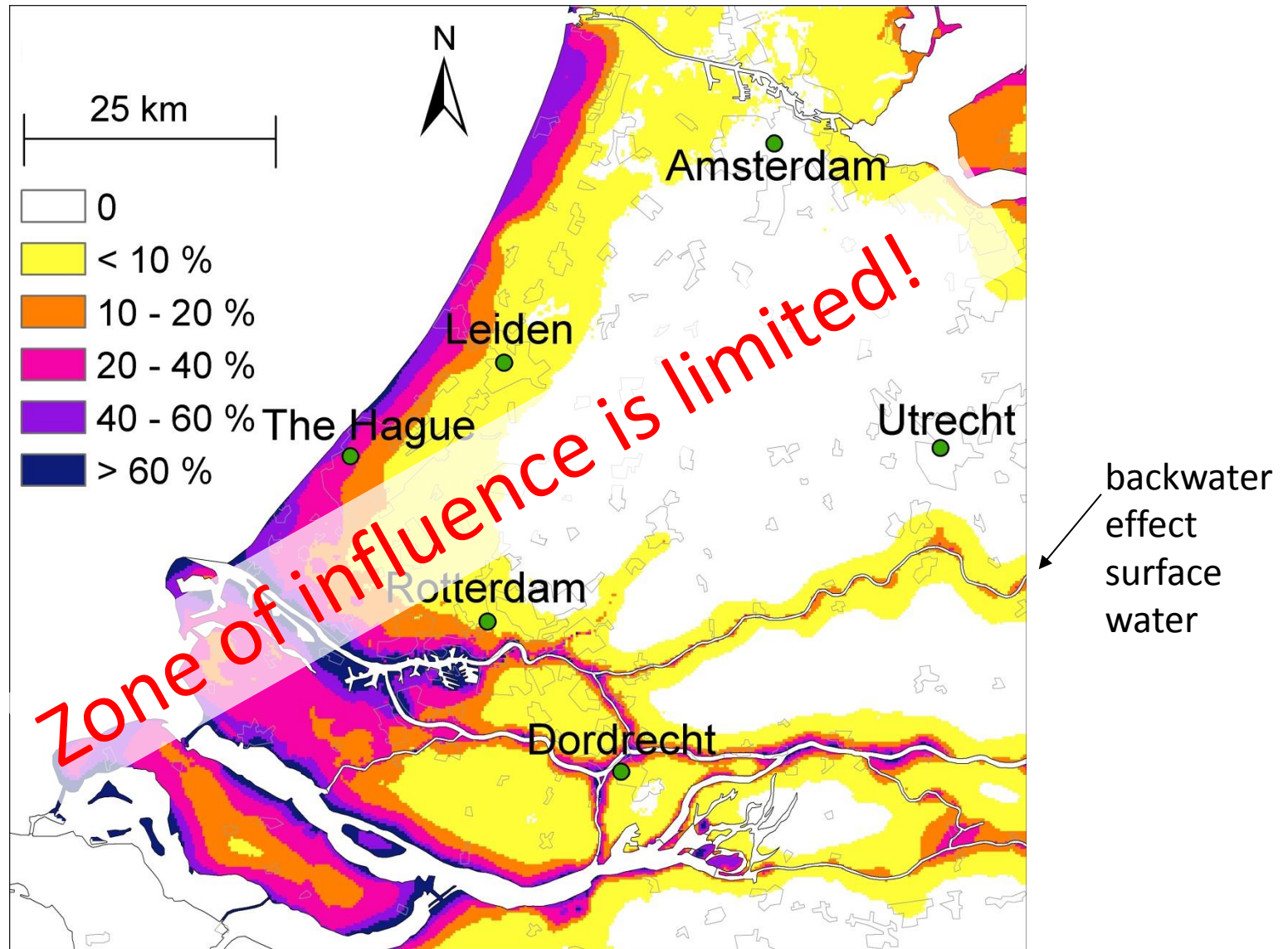
Summer: -38%
Winter: +28%



ZONE OF INFLUENCE OF SEA LEVEL RISE



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Case 1 with subsoil parameters

$$kD = 5000 \text{ m}^2/\text{day}$$

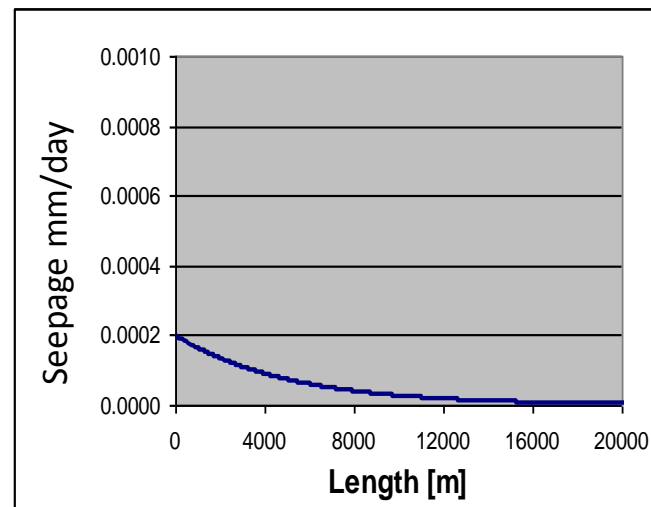
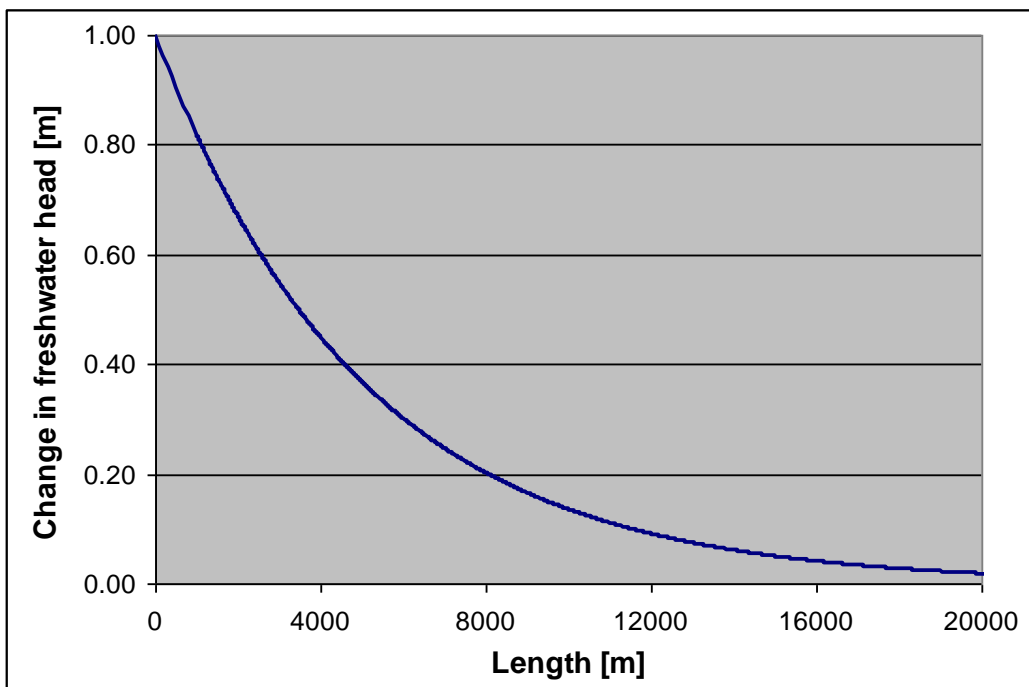
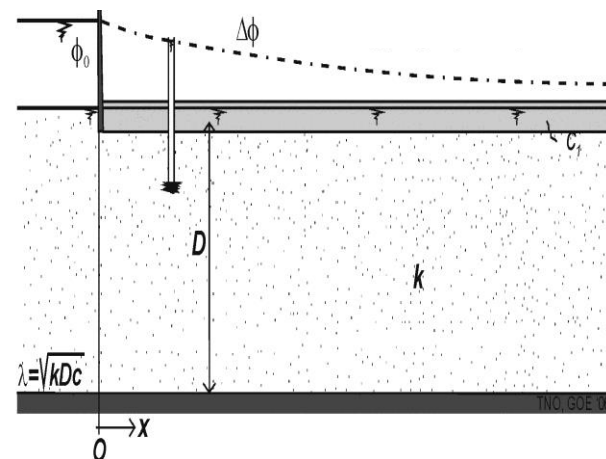
$$c = 5000 \text{ day}$$

$$\lambda = 5000 \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta\phi(x) = \phi_0 e^{-x/\lambda}$$

$$\Delta q(x) = \Delta\phi(x) / c$$

$$\lambda = \text{sqrt}(kDc)$$

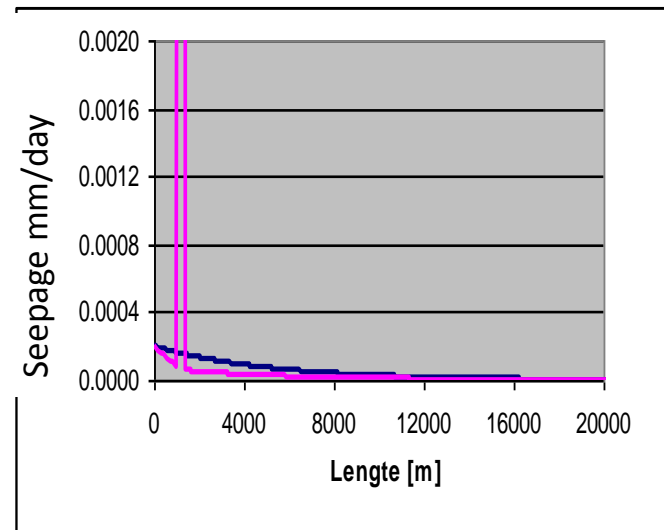
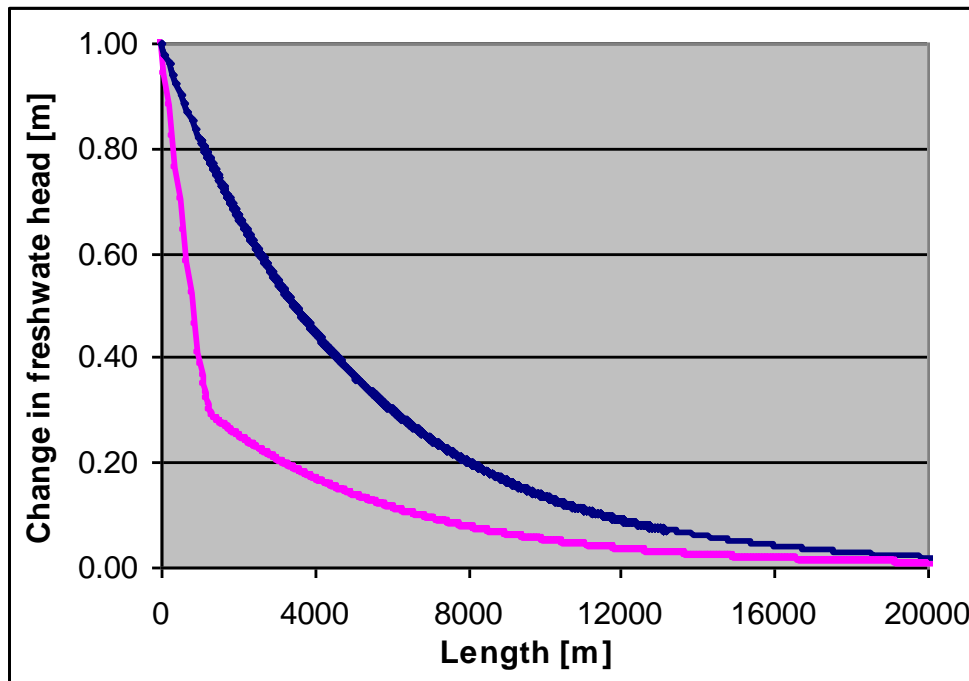
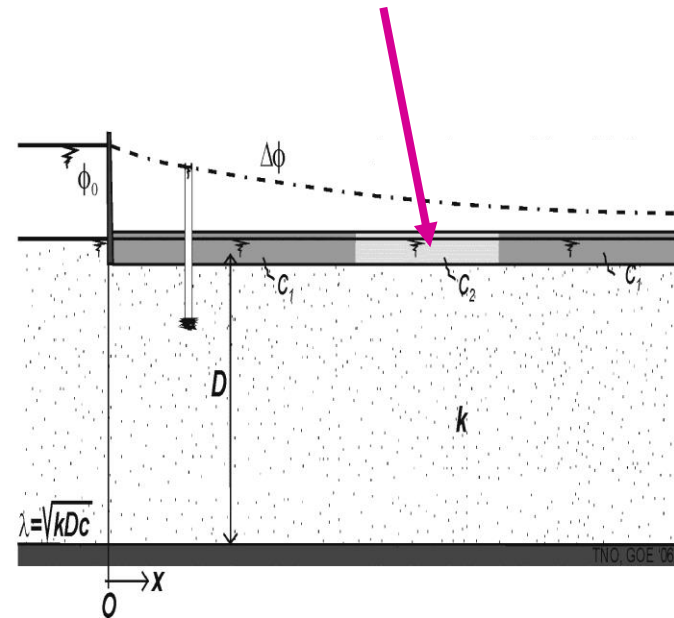


ZONE OF INFLUENCE OF SEA LEVEL RISE:

Case 2 with subsoil parameters

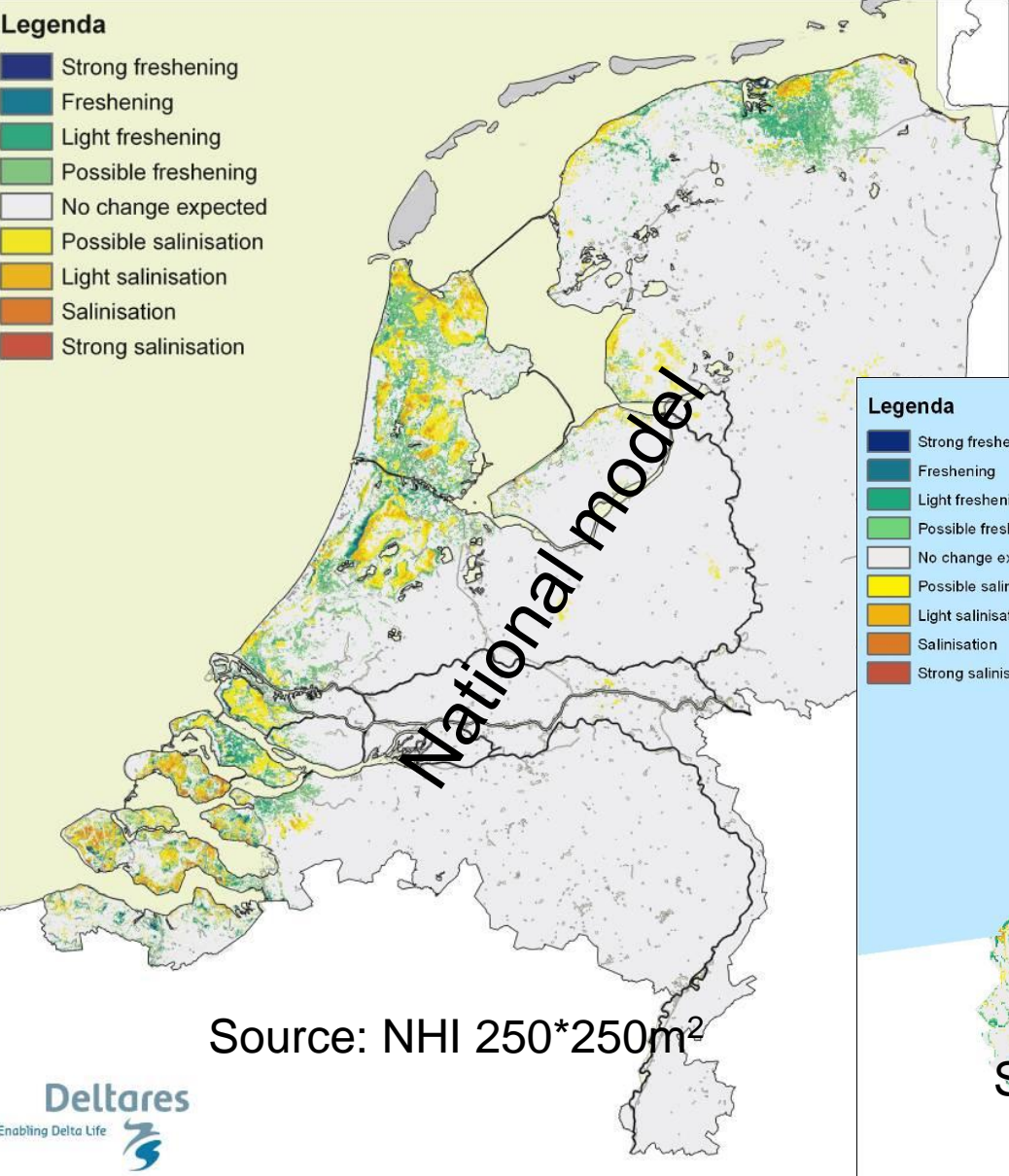
$kD = 5000 \text{ m}^2/\text{dag}$
 $c_1 = 5000 \text{ dag}$ $c_2 = 50 \text{ dag}$

GOOD PERMEABLE AQUITARD

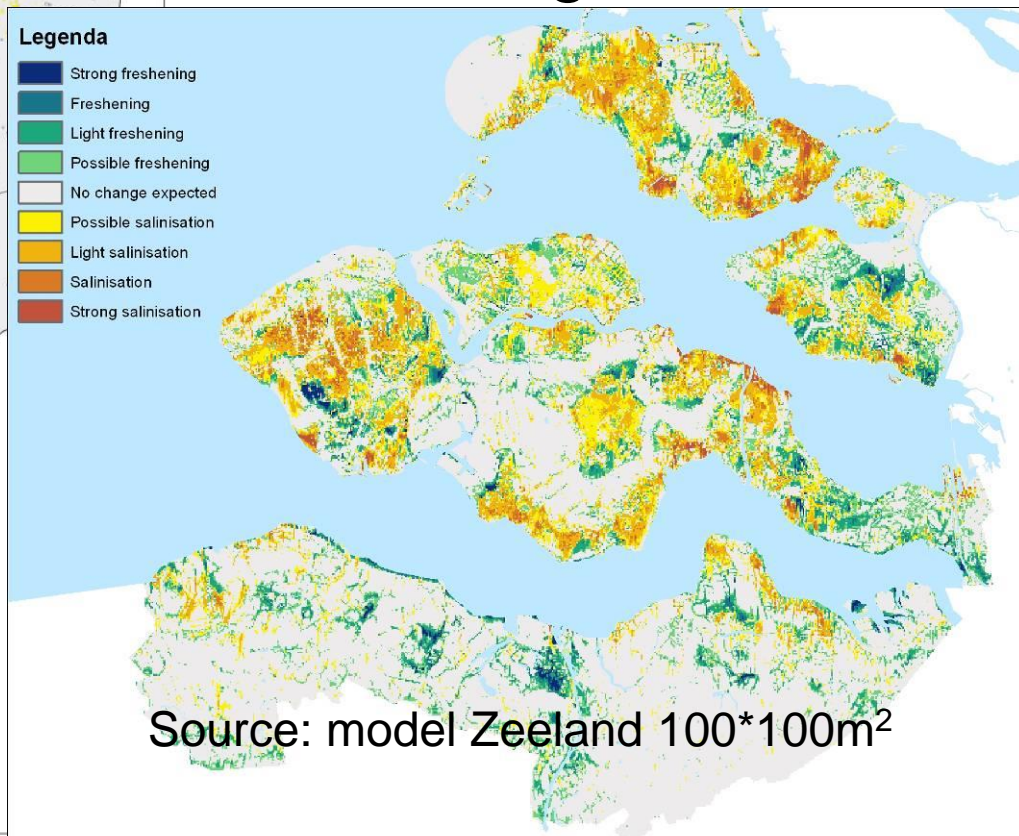


EXAMPLE 5

SALINISATION AND FRESHENING UNDER GLOBAL STRESSES



Regional model



EXAMPLE 6

SWIBANGLA

The Dutch Integrated Modelling Example

The Netherlands Hydrological Instrument

THE NETHERLANDS HYDROLOGICAL INSTRUMENT

Main goals for water management of our national government:

- To protect The Netherlands from flooding
- To make Fresh Water Supply Climate Change Proof

They needed a model that can assess the effects of:

- Droughts (water demands) = main goal of NHI
- Sea level rise and precipitation pattern
- Land subsidence
- Adaptive and mitigative strategies
- Changing water management (lake saline again, lake higher water level)
- Coming years: nutrient emissions and pesticide leaching, etc.

So we made NHI! First model dates from 2006.



THE NETHERLANDS HYDROLOGICAL INSTRUMENT

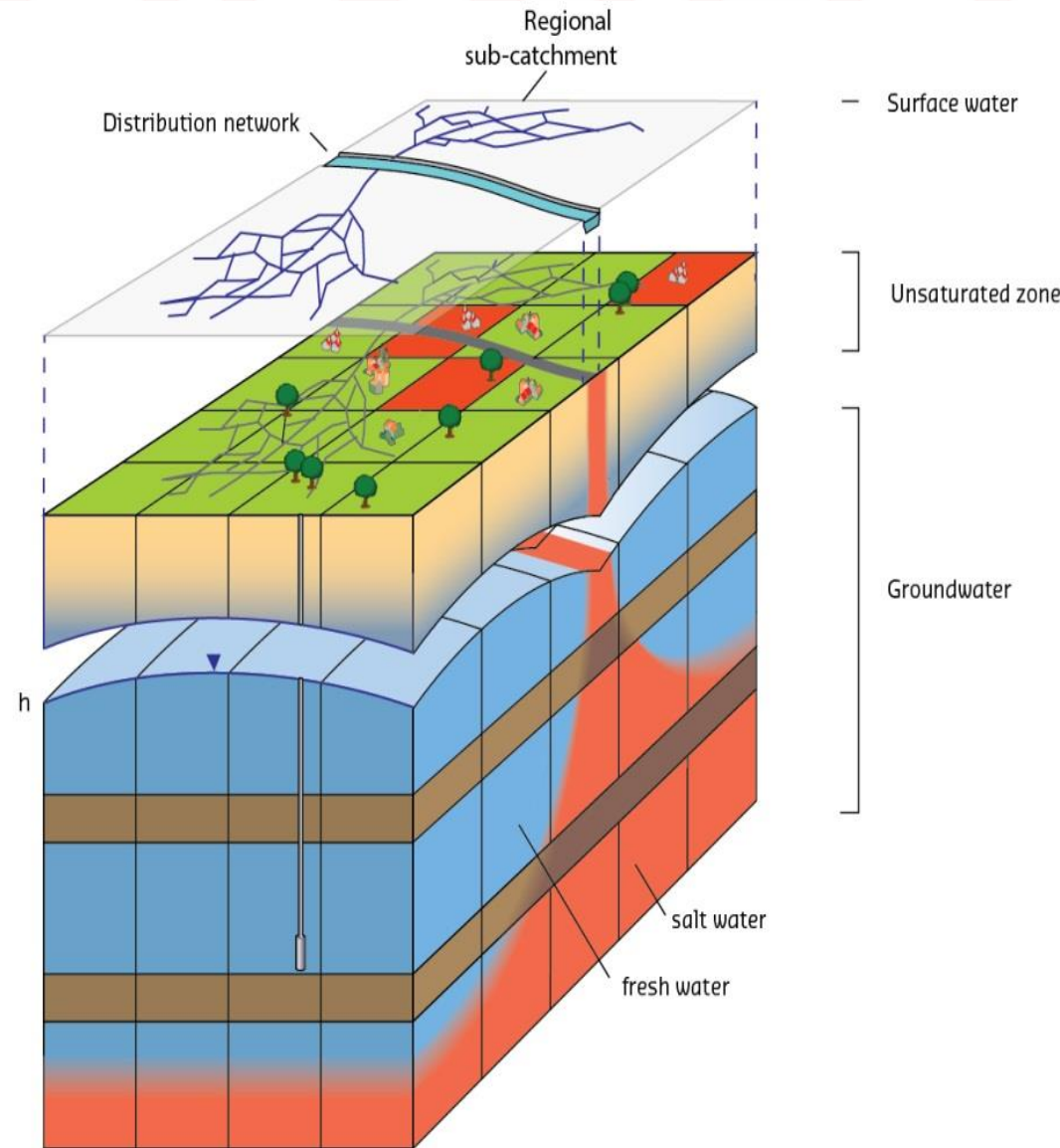
$\Delta x = 250\text{m}$

1200 columns

1300 rows

7 layers

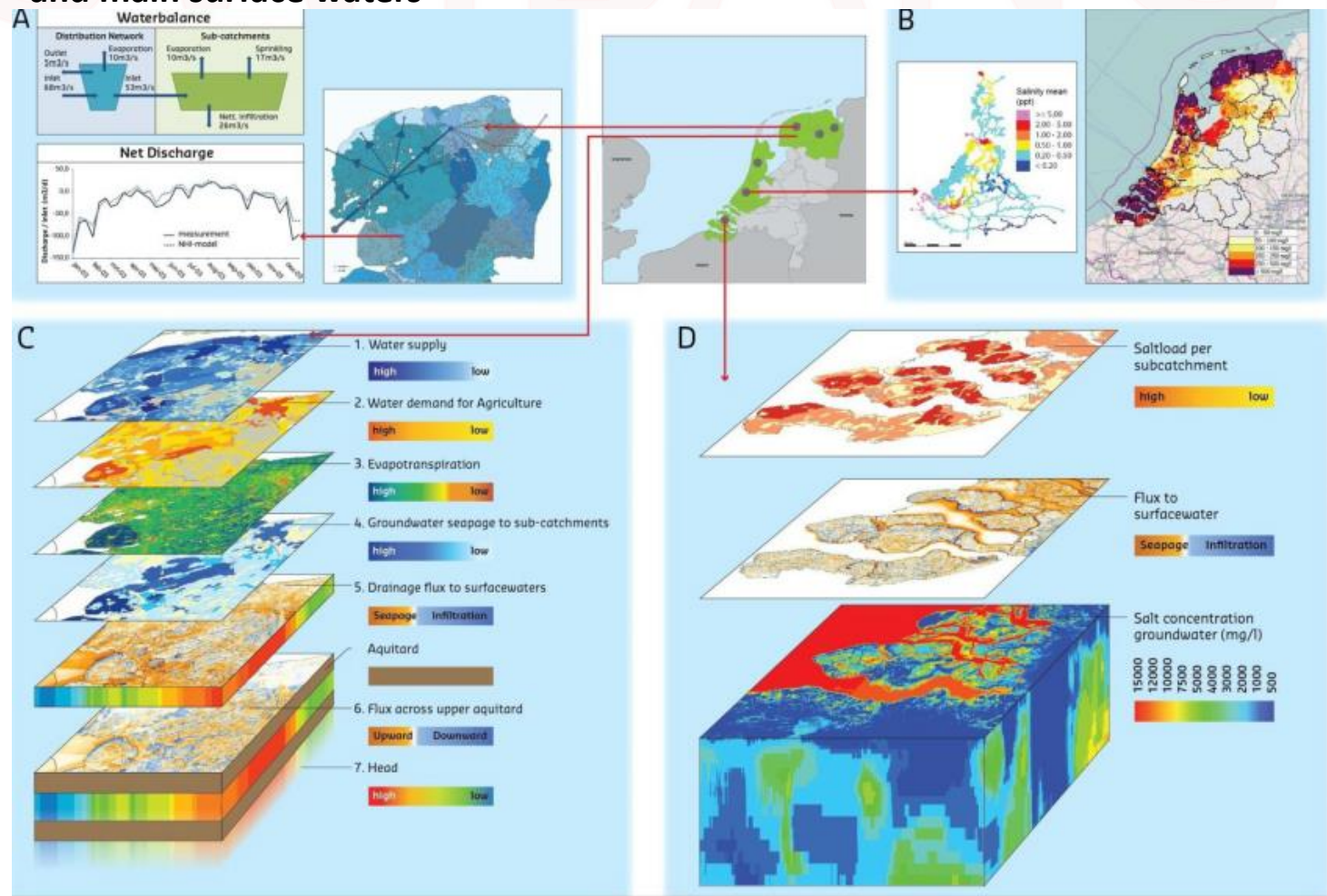
~2.5M stresses



COMPONENTS

water balance of sub-catchments and main surface waters

salt in surface water system



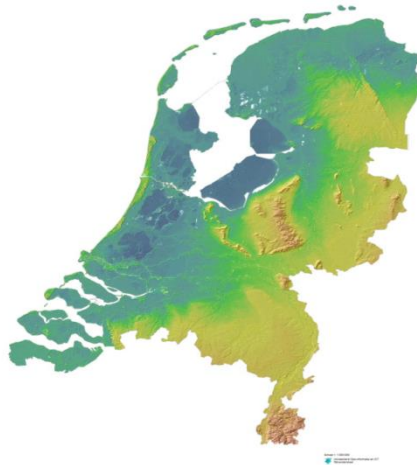
fluxes and heads in unsaturated and saturated groundwater

salt concentration in saturated groundwater and salt flux to surface water.

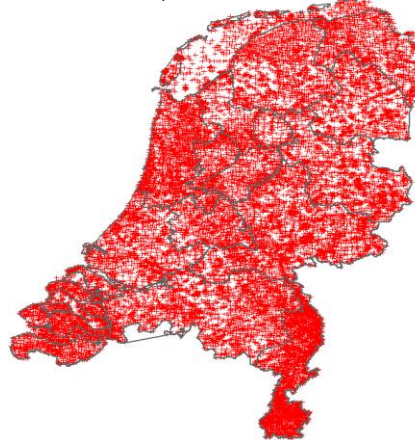
COMPONENTS

Domain	Computation Unit	Unit size	Time step	Scale of process	Purpose	Present name
Surface Water	Node-node	1-25km	1-10day	Nationwide	Optimization of water distribution	DM
Surface Water	Line	0.5km	1day	Nationwide	Flow and Transport	LSM
Surface Water	Polygon	05.-5km ²	1-10day	Subcatchment	Distribution to users of groundwater & surface water	Mozart
Soil Vegetation Atmosphere	Grid cell	250m	1day	Plot, column	Transfer of Water in root zone, soil water deficit	MetaSWAP
Groundwater	Grid cell	250m	1day	Regional	Flow and Transport	MODFLOW-SEAWAT

DEM 0.5m x 0.5m



~16,000 boreholes



18% surface water



NUMERICAL MODELLING OF SALT WATER INTRUSION

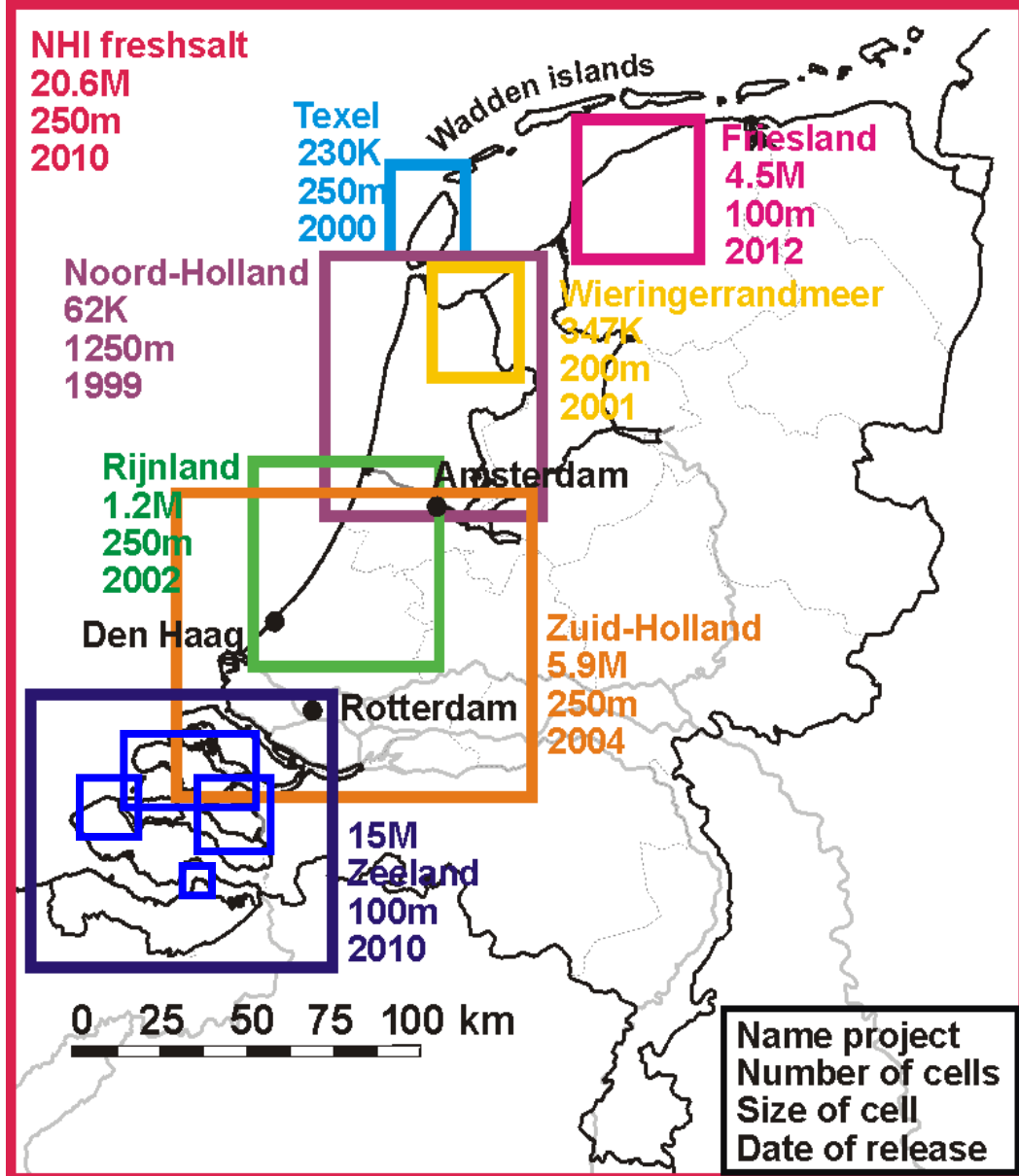
Characteristics:

- variable-density groundwater
- fresh, brackish and saline
- 3D, non-steady
- coupled solute transport
- heat transport

Assess combined effects:

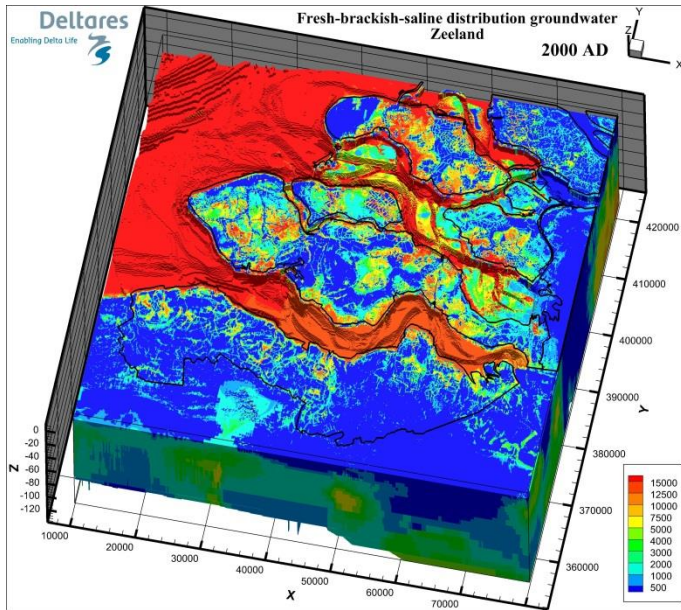
- past land subsidence polders
- sea level rise
- changing recharge pattern
- land subsidence
- changing extraction rates
- adaption measures

Software (MODFLOW family):
 SEAWAT, MOCDENS3D
 MT3D, iMOD, link NHI, etc.

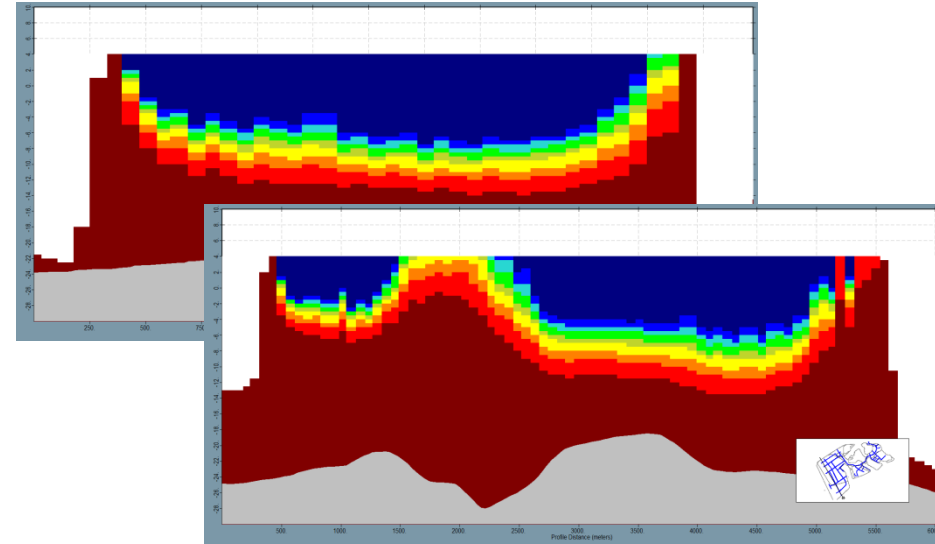


3D REGIONAL COASTAL GROUNDWATER MODEL STUDIES

Netherlands, Zeeland



Singapore



Modelling:

- variable-density groundwater flow, coupled solute transport

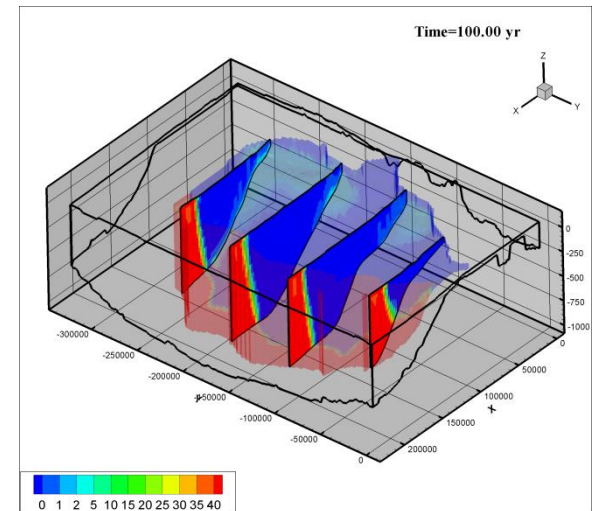
Simulating effects of:

- autonomous processes (change extraction rates)
- sea level rise, changing recharge pattern
- land subsidence

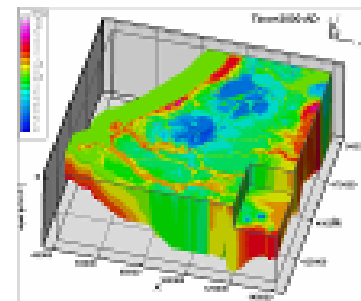
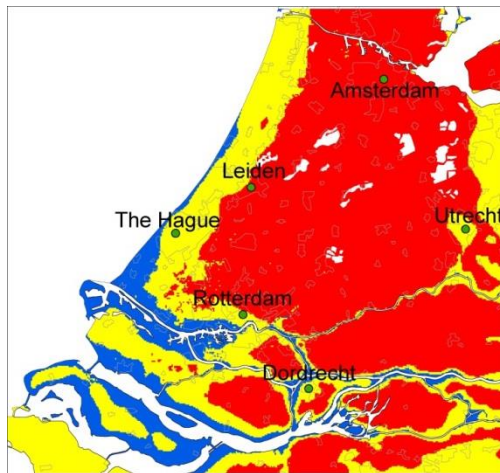
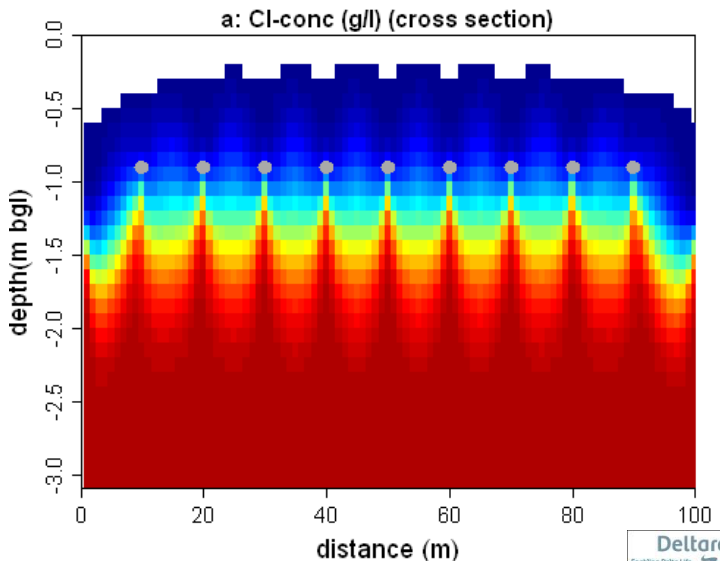
Quantifying:

- hydraulic head
- saline seepage / infiltration
- fresh groundwater resources

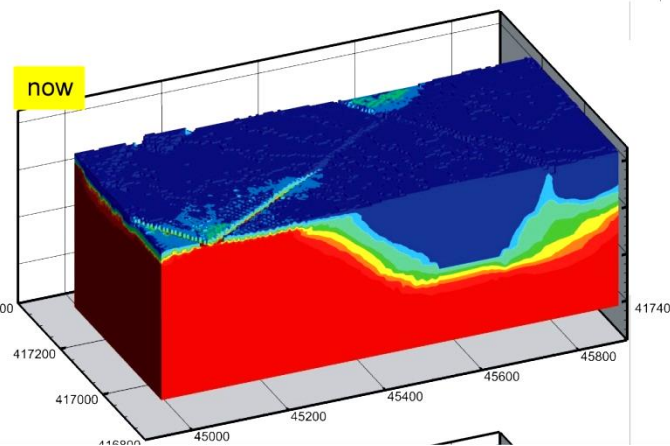
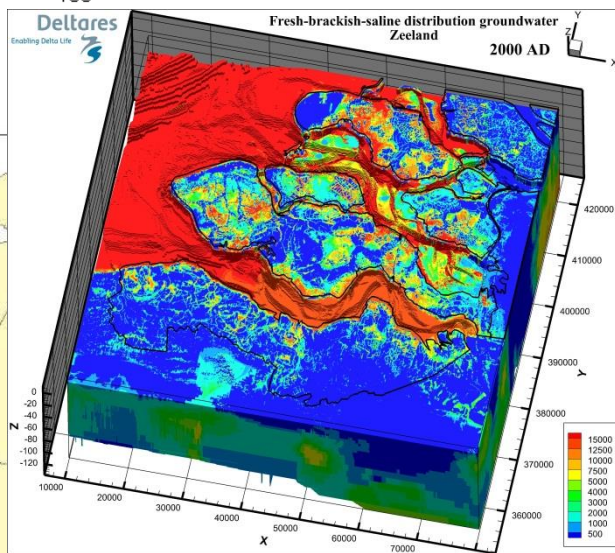
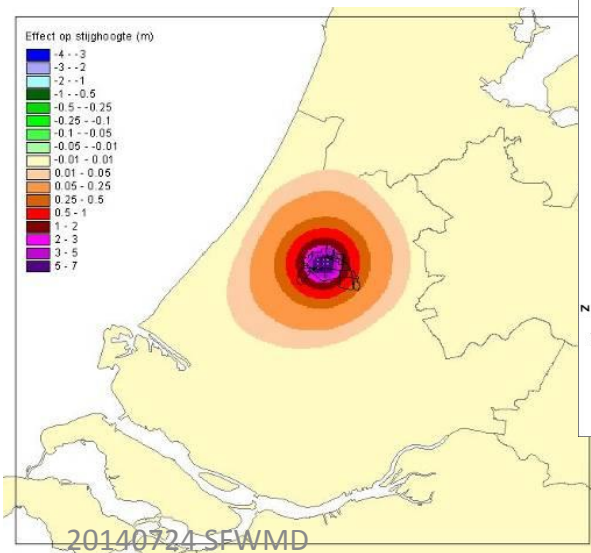
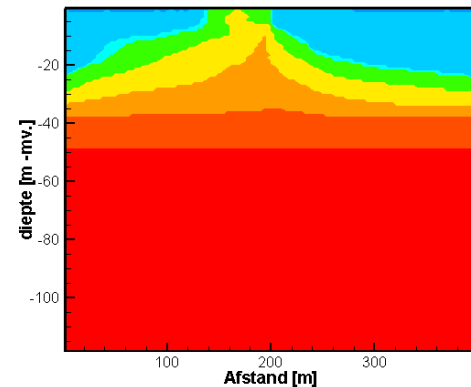
Nile Delta, Egypt



NUMERICAL MODELLING FRESH-SALT GROUNDWATER IN NL



Scenario 10: huidig Time=2025.2 AD



modelling without salt is wrong

TWO APPROACHES OF MODELLING DELTAIC AREAS

2D Conceptual modelling

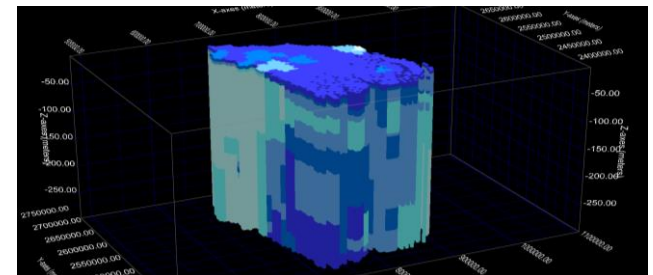
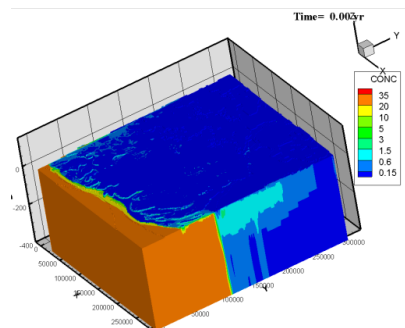
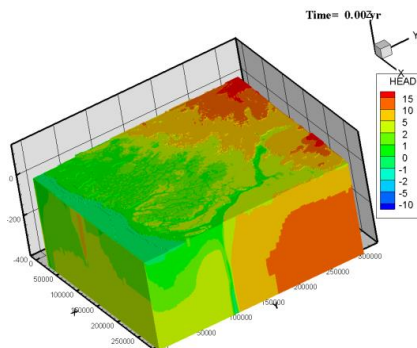
- Improves conceptual understanding of the groundwater system
- Scientific papers

3D Variable-density groundwater flow modelling

- Often actual situation in the field
- Real problems under pressure
- Focus on case studies with impact analysis

QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED

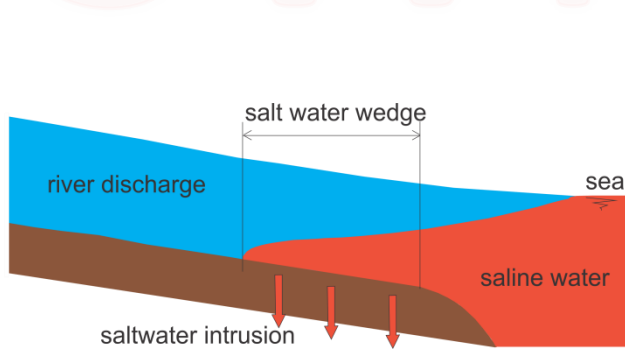
- Where are the present fresh-saline interfaces?
- How will these interfaces evolve in the following decades?
- What is the effect of the extractions in the vertical distribution of the salinity?
- Guiding the positioning of monitoring and data collection
- Guiding the positioning of (new) extraction wells



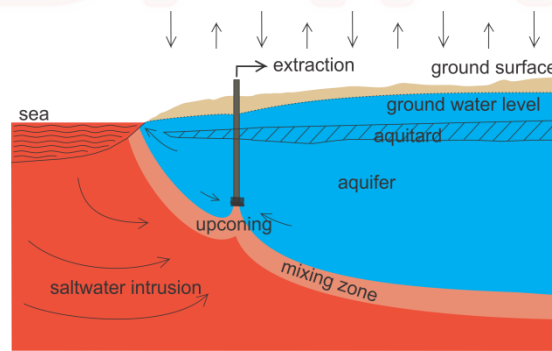
WHY A 3D VARIABLE-DENSITY GROUNDWATER MODEL

- To better **understand** and **visualize** the groundwater dynamics and relevant salinity processes:
 - lateral surface salt water intrusion
 - lateral salt groundwater intrusion
 - vertical up-coning under extractions and low-lying areas
 - infiltration of salt water due to inundations caused by storm surges.
- To **provide** Bangladeshi water managers and universities with an **instrument** for their **mandates** on secure water supply, now and in the future
- To **assess** the impact of **global and climate change** (including the effect of **sea level rise**)
- To give future local models **correct boundary conditions**

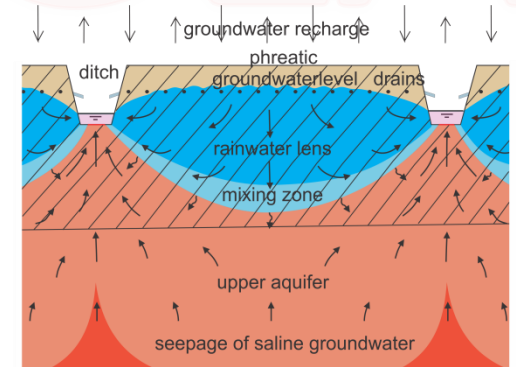
SALINIZATION PROCESSES



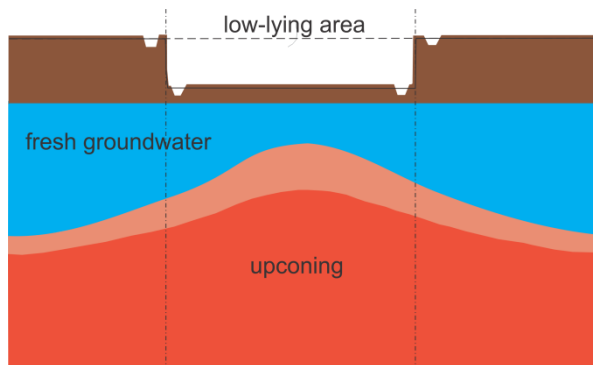
Salt water intrusion
surface water (and groundwater)



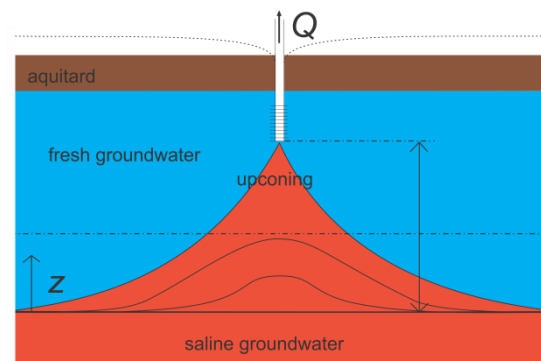
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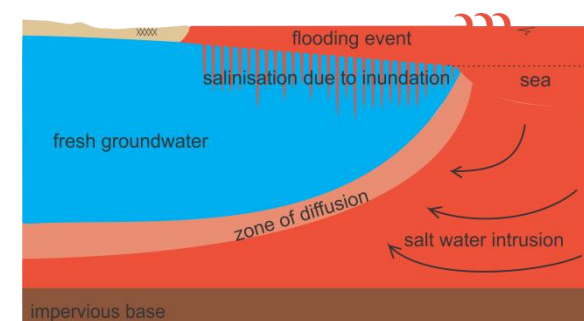
Shallow freshwater lenses
and saline seepage



Upconing low-lying area



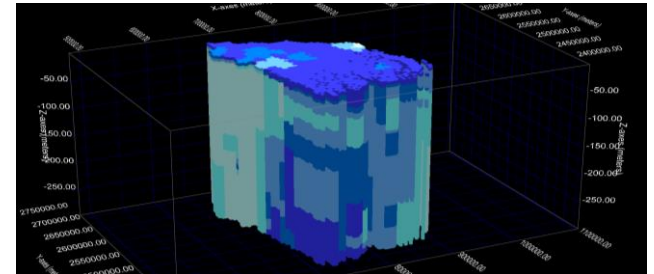
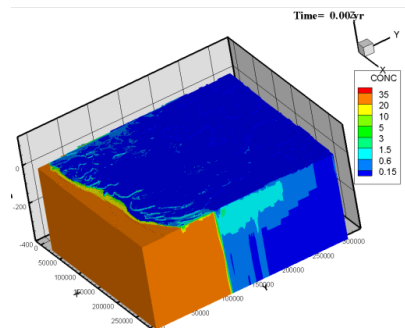
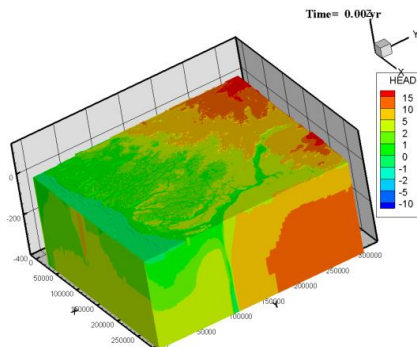
Upconing under
groundwater extraction



Shallow vertical salt water
intrusion after flooding
event (storm surge)

COMPUTER CODE

- 3D numerical variable-density groundwater flow and coupled salt transport model of the central coastal zone of Bangladesh
- Built in SEAWAT (=“MODFLOW-MT3DMS-density”)
- Extended with iMOD functionality



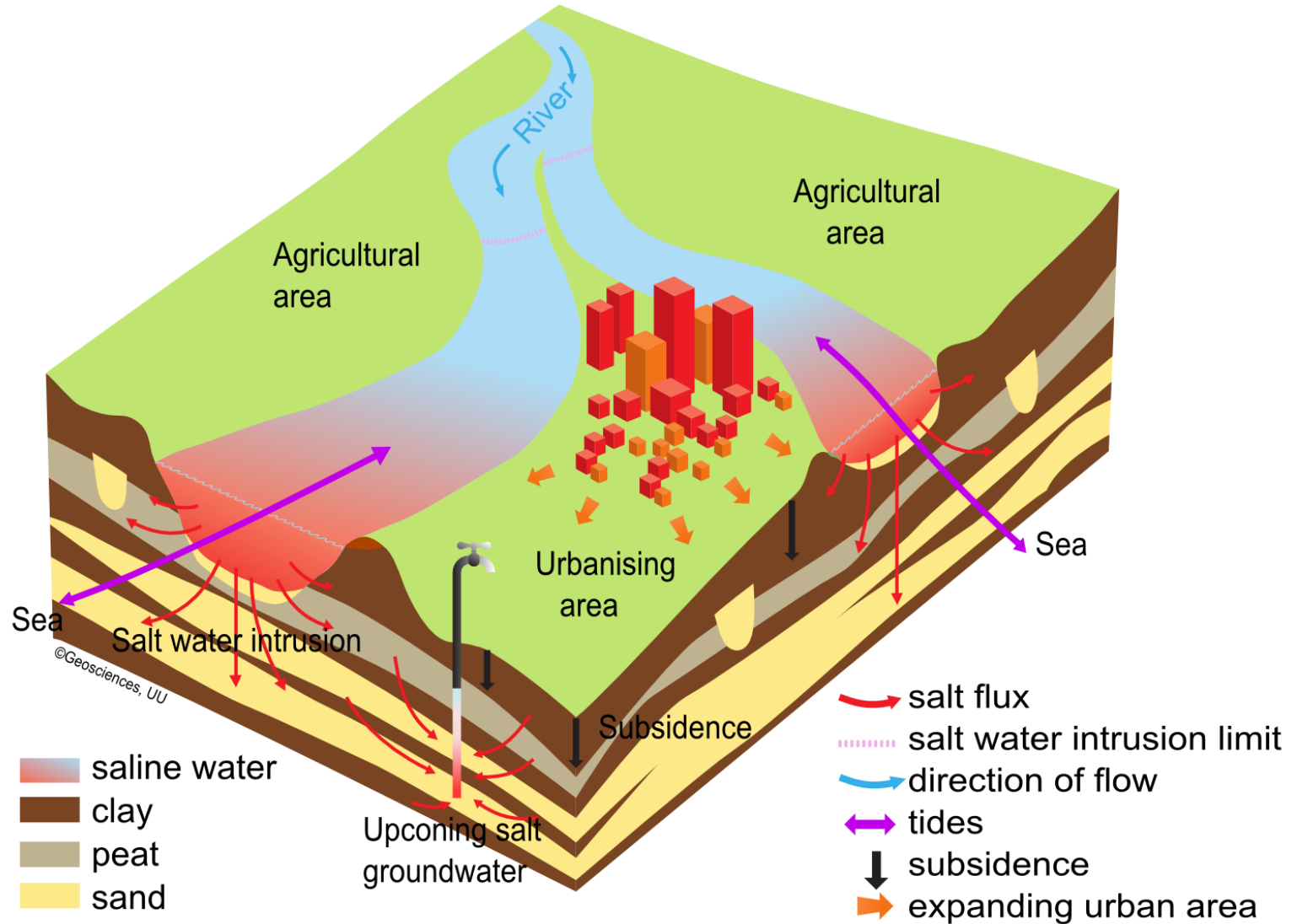
Sea level rise: +2 m

<http://flood.firetree.net>

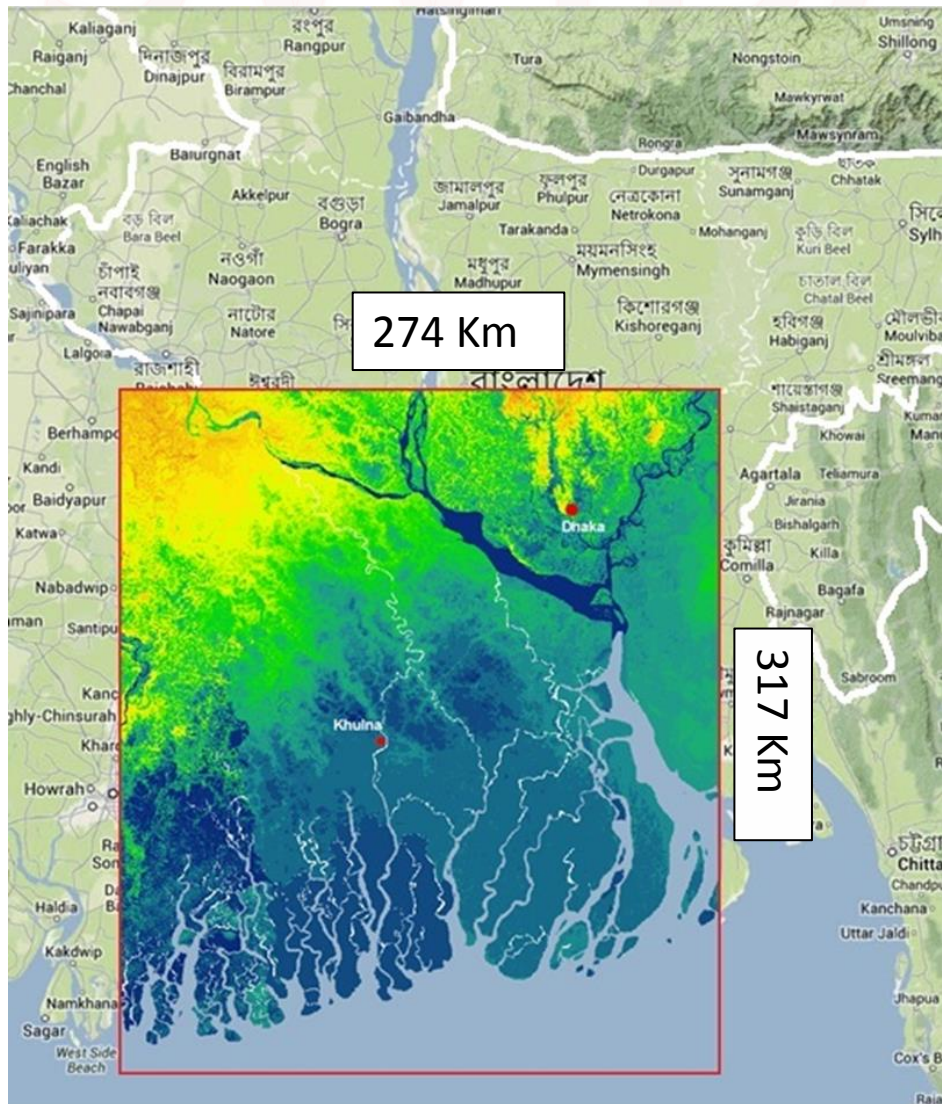


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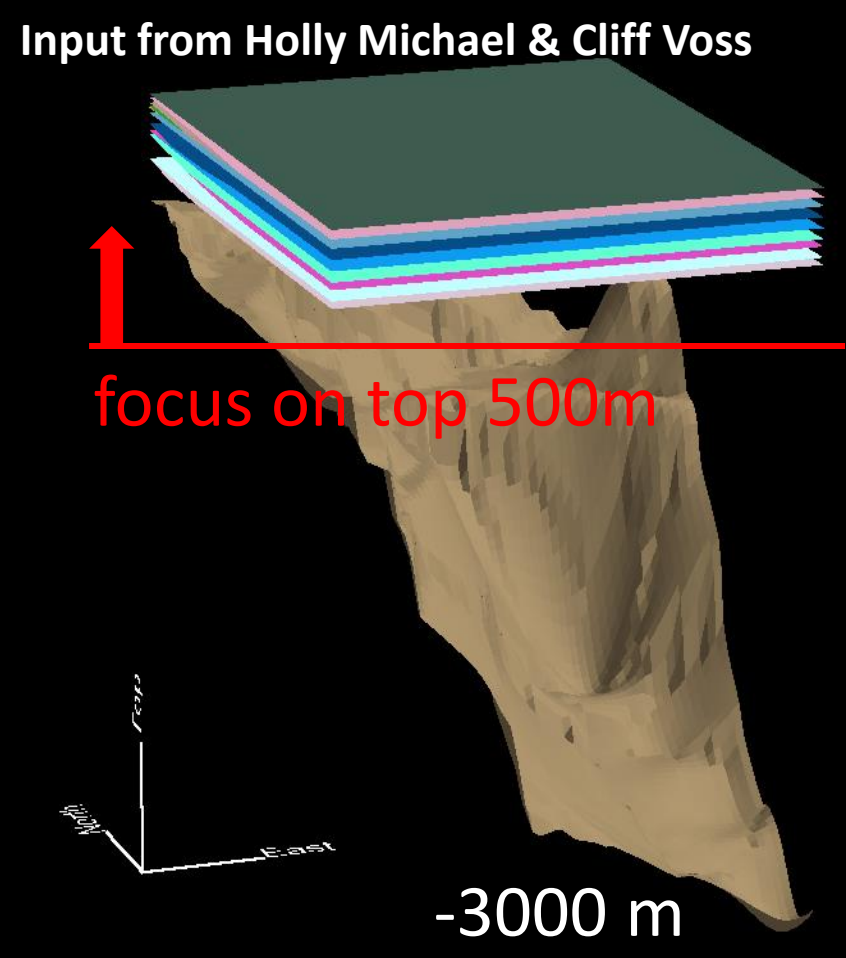
SALINIZATION PROCESSES IN THE COASTAL ZONE



MODEL GEOMETRY: MODEL EXTENT



Bottom boundary: Boka Bil formation hydrological base (no flow)

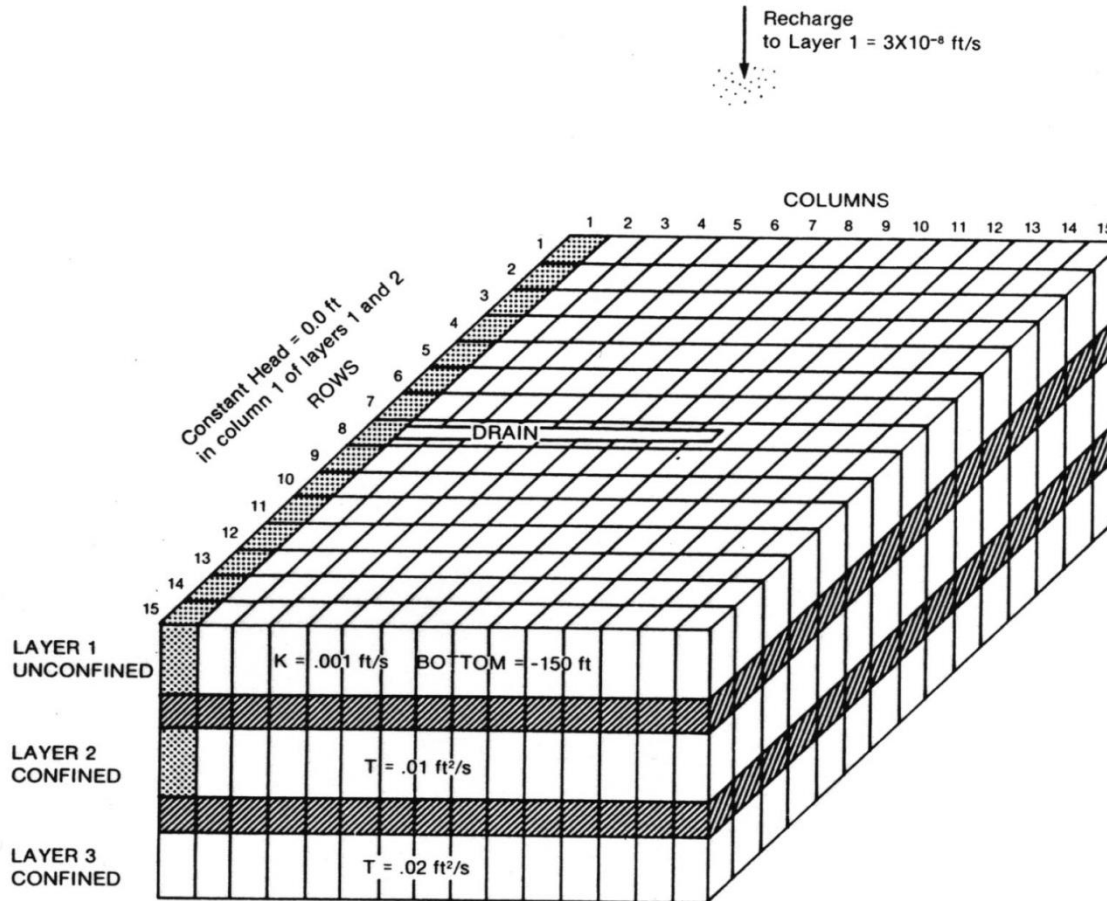


Input from Holly Michael & Cliff Voss

focus on top 500m

-3000 m

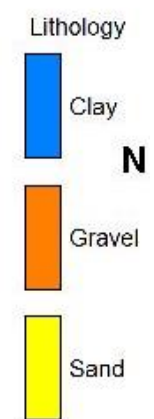
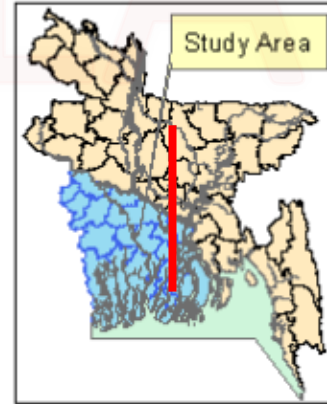
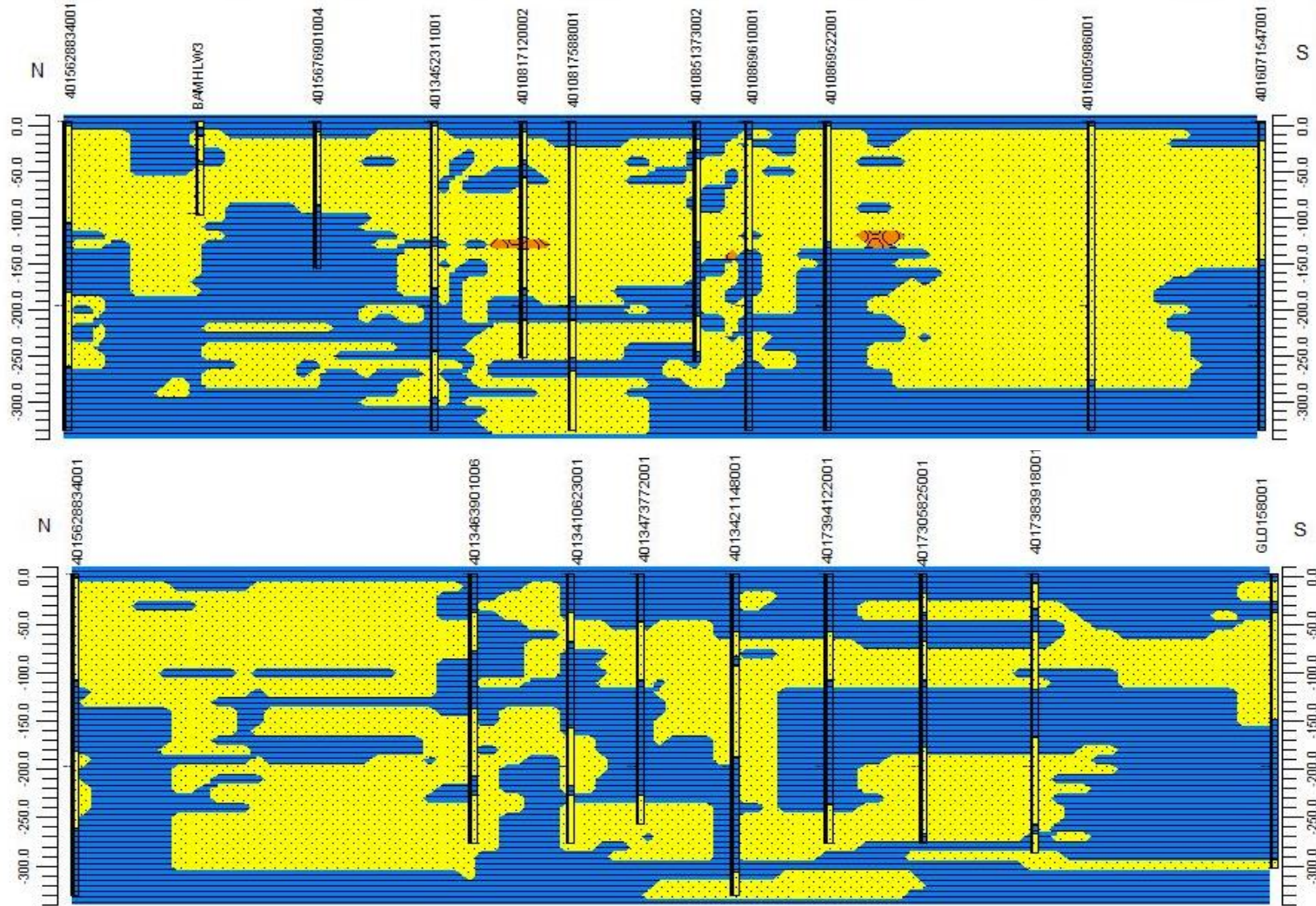
THE MODFLOW GRID



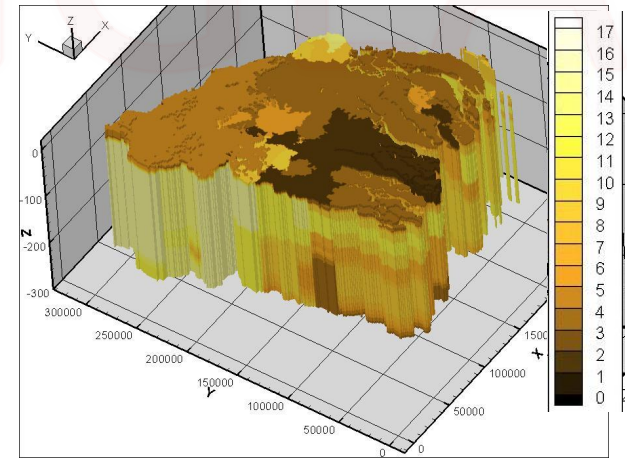
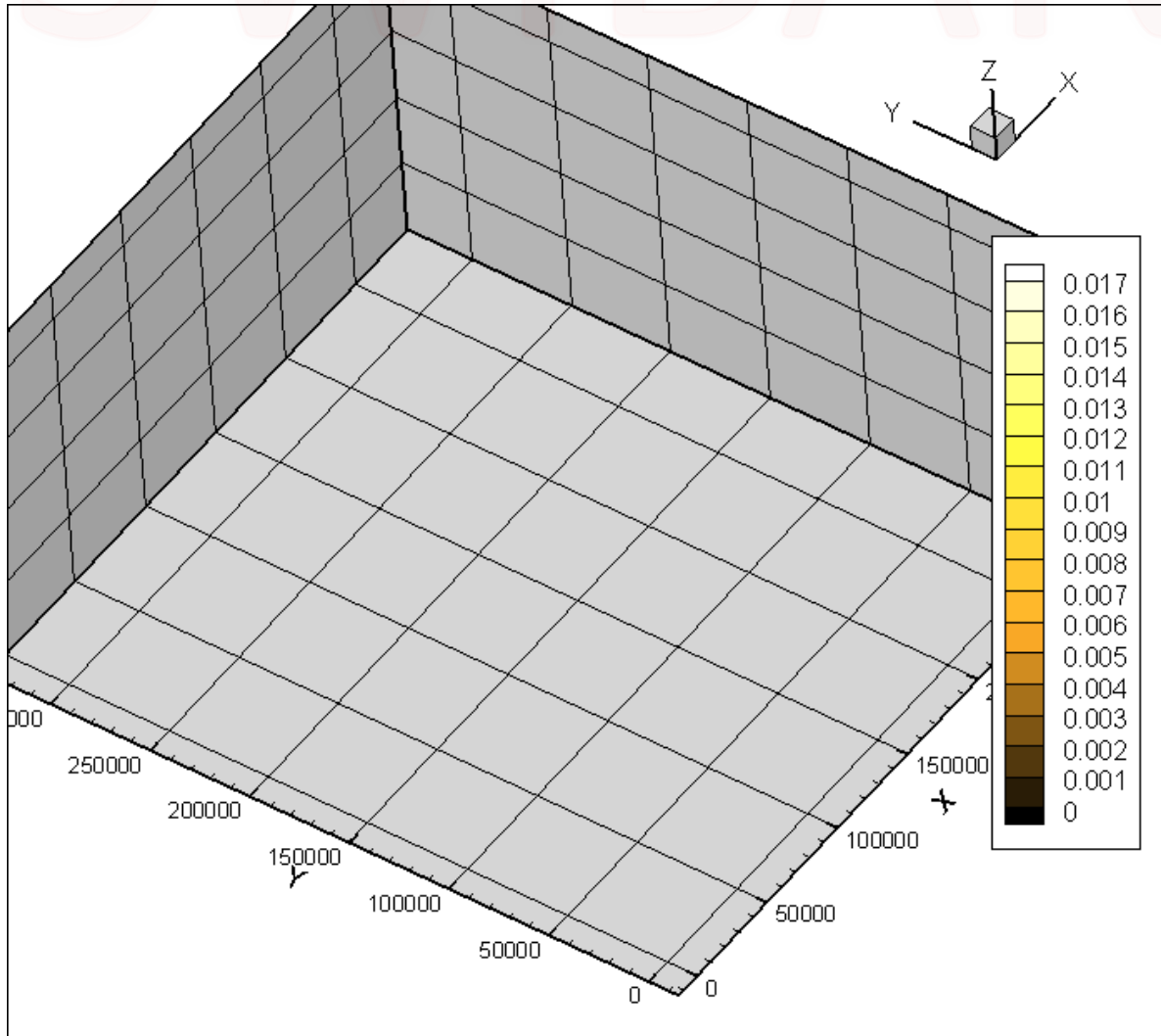
Between layers 1 and 2 vertical hydraulic conductivity divided by thickness = $2 \times 10^{-8} / s$

Between layers 2 and 3 vertical hydraulic conductivity divided by thickness = $1 \times 10^{-8} / s$

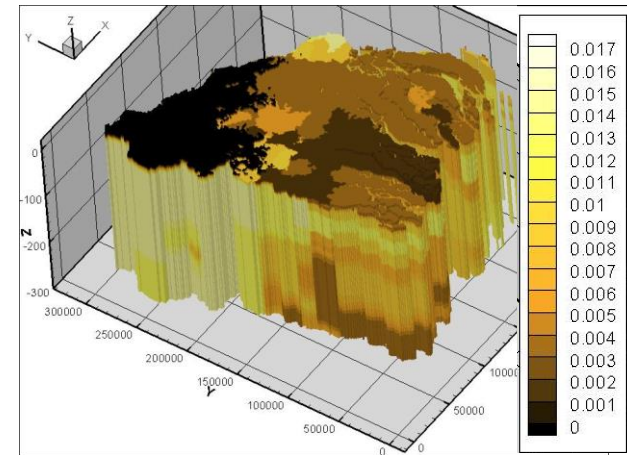
N-S CROSS-SECTIONS OF BAGERHAT, IT IS A PATHY COMPLEX GEOLOGIC SYSTEM



GEOLOGY



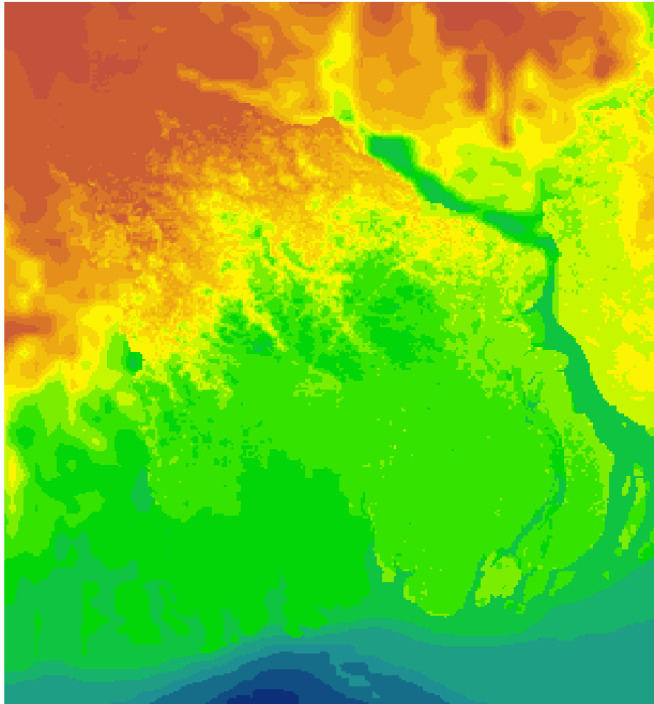
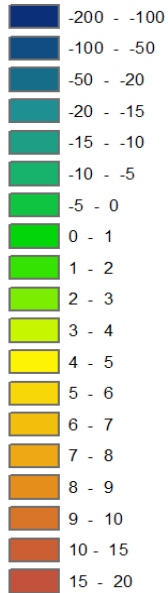
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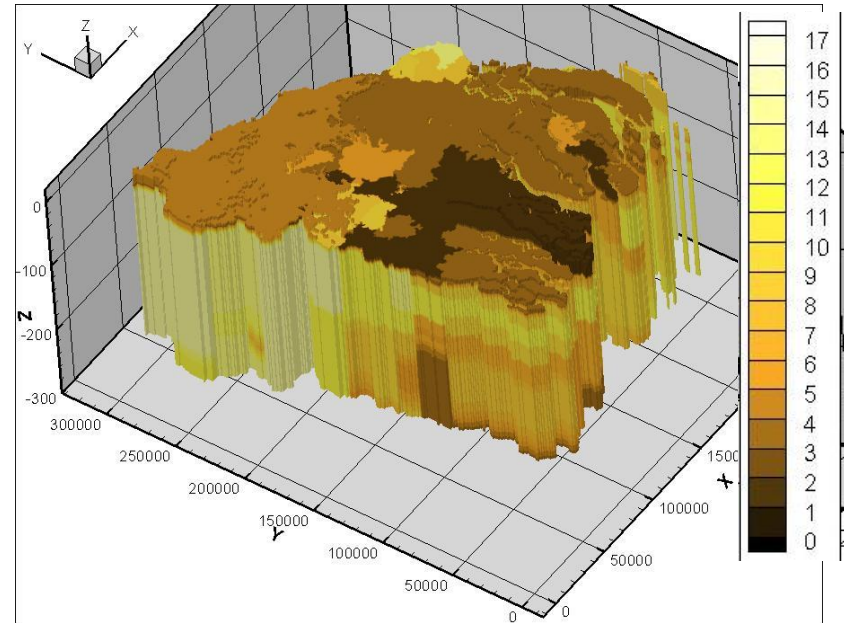
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SURFACE LEVEL (DEM)

Legend (m)

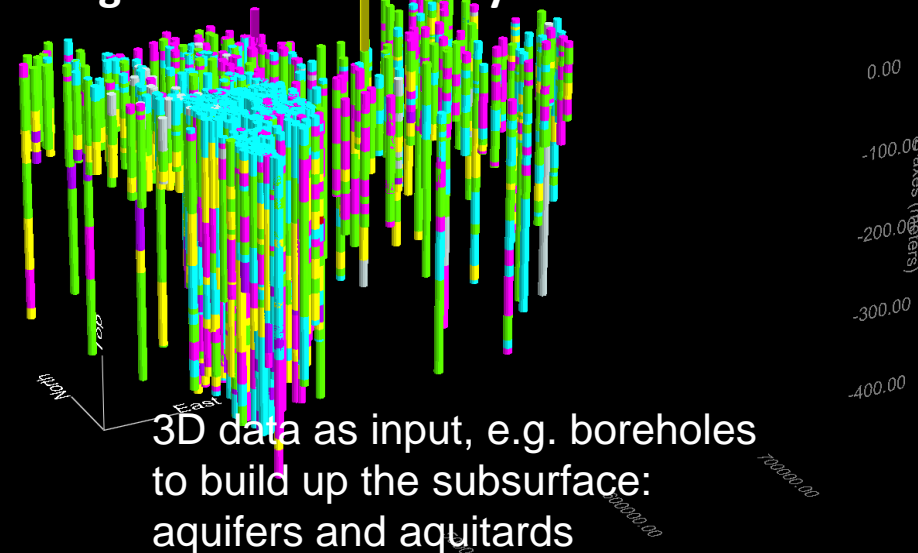


SUBSURFACE MODEL



Sources:
CEGIS, BGS, DPHE, 2001

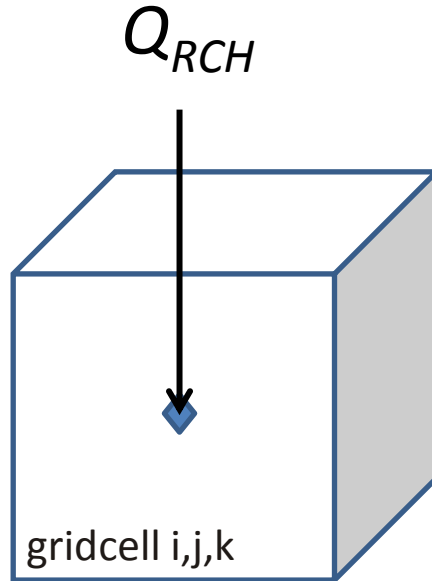
Geological data from Holly Michael & Cliff Voss



3D data as input, e.g. boreholes
to build up the subsurface:
aquifers and aquitards

MODELLING RECHARGE

Recharge: the RCH package



$$Q_{RCH} = Q_{i,j,k}$$

So 1 map needed:
Map of recharge rates

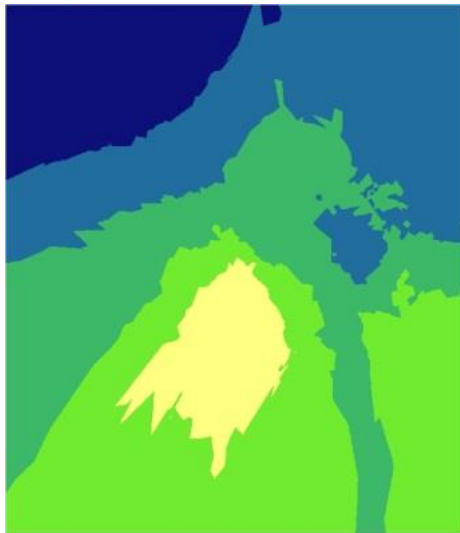
NET GROUNDWATER RECHARGE

- Interpolation measured data (source CEGIS):
- 4 monitoring stations for evapotranspiration
- 96 monitoring stations for precipitation
- ±1990 – 2011

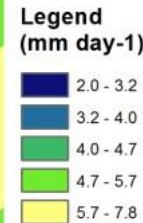
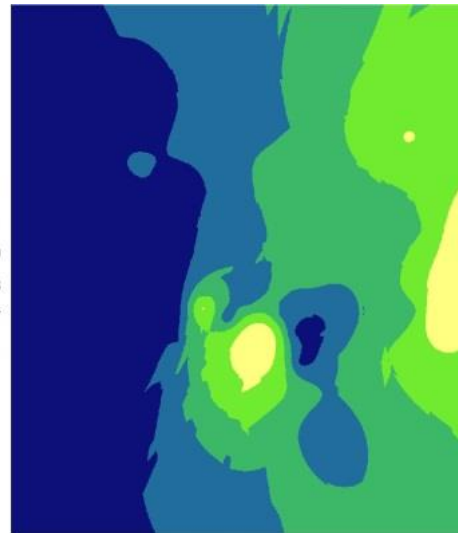


Data averaged per stress period:

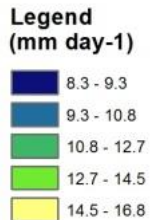
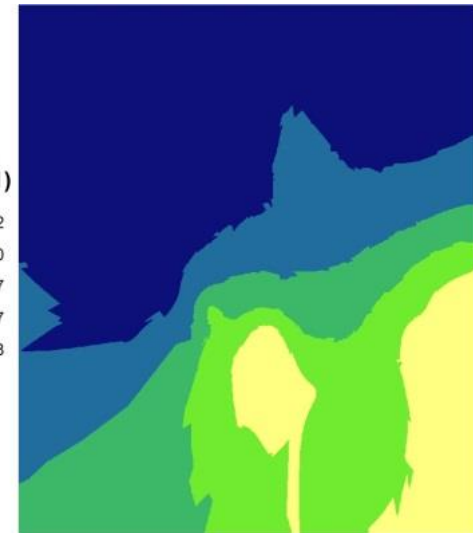
1. Cold and dry
Nov - Feb



2. Hot and humid
Mar - May

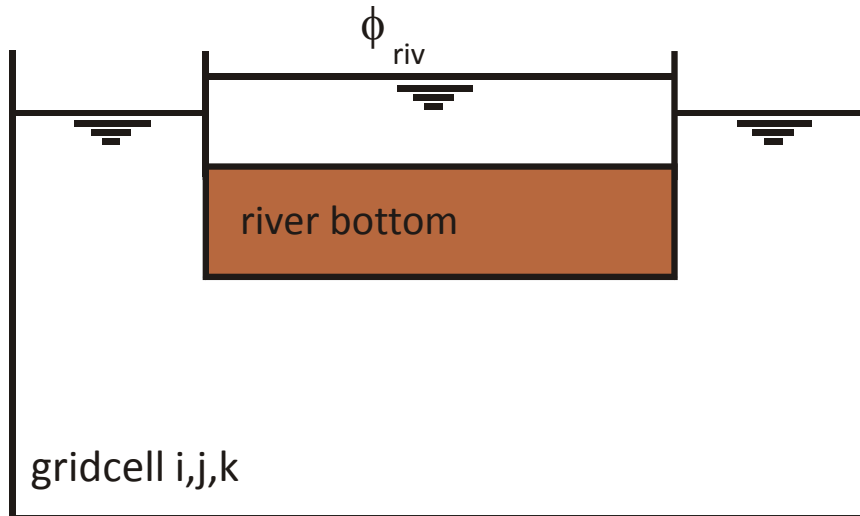


3. Monsoon season
June - October

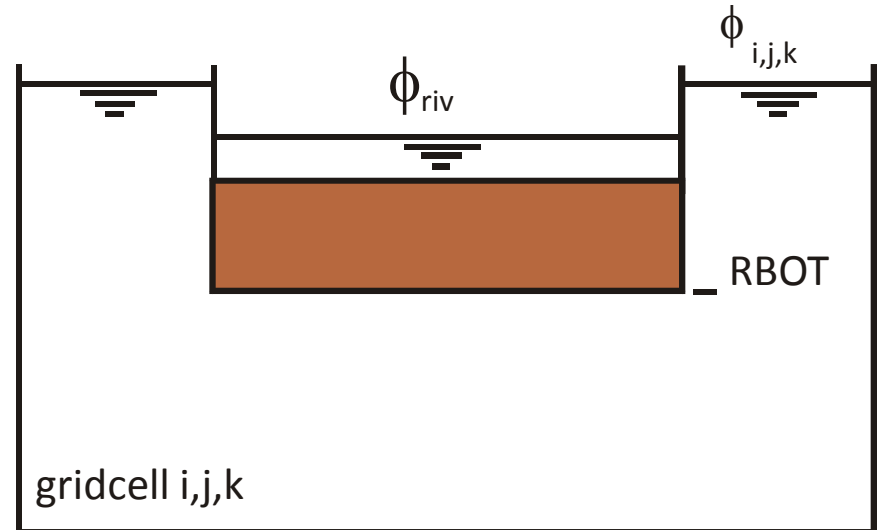


MODELLING SURFACE WATER: RIVER PACKAGE

river loses water



river gains water



$$Q_{riv} = C_{riv}(\phi_{riv} - \phi_{i,j,k})$$

Special case: if $\phi_{i,j,k} < RBOT$, then

$$Q_{riv} = C_{riv}(\phi_{riv} - RBOT)$$

So 3 maps needed:

1. Map of river stages
2. Map of river conductances
3. Map of river bottoms

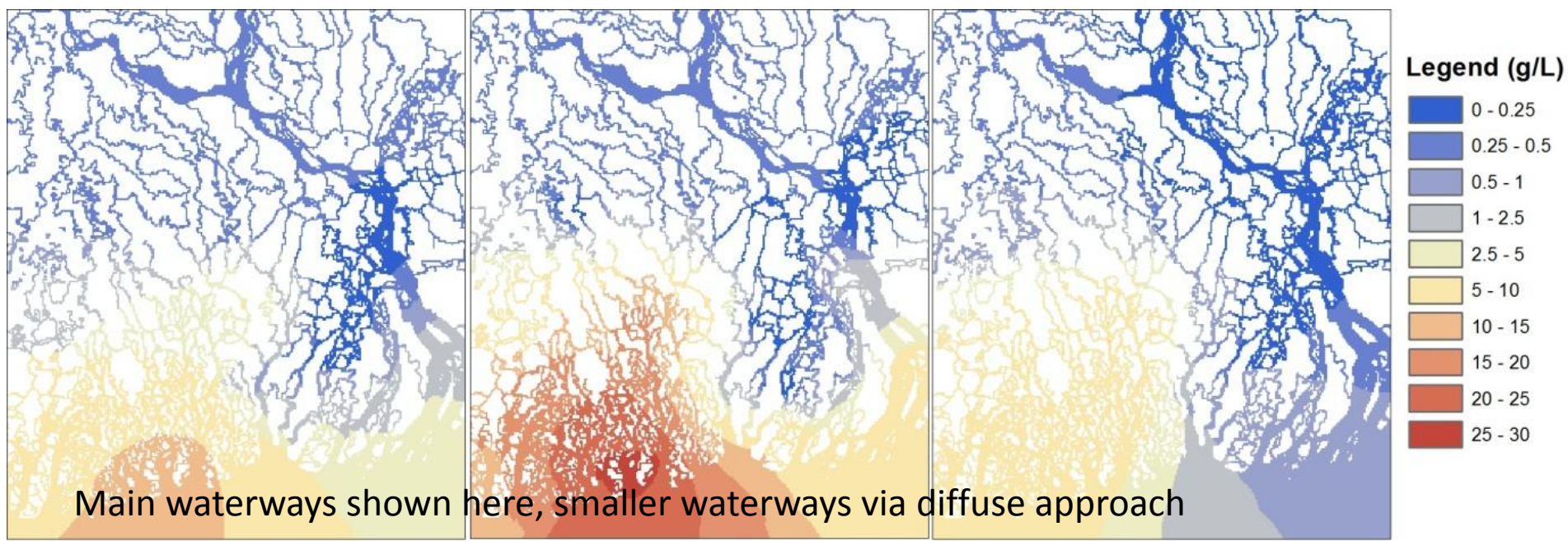
SURFACE WATER: SALINITY LEVELS IN RIVER PACKAGE



1. Cold and dry
Nov - Feb

2. Hot and humid
Mar - May

3. Monsoon season
Jun - Oct



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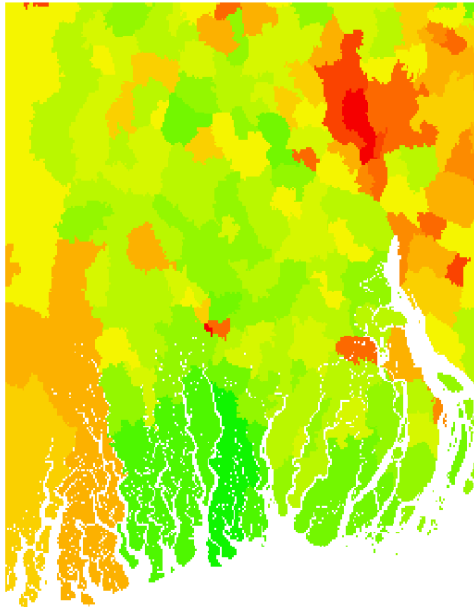
Daily water level data from BWBD (126 locations on river levels)

CEGIS, completed by data from DIVA-GIS (84 monitoring stations on salinity values)

GROUNDWATER EXTRACTIONS

Q_{well}

Legend (m³ day⁻¹ km⁻²)

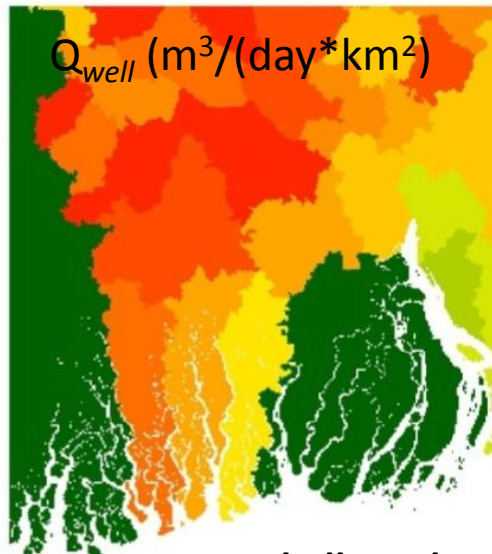
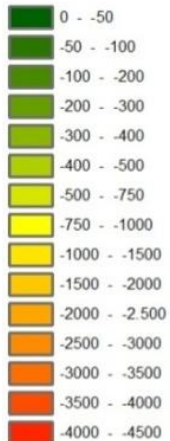


Domestic&Industrial

- based on population size (cf Michael and Voss, 2009)
- total (domestic + industrial) demand 50 L/day per capita (WARPO, 2000)
- assumed constant throughout the year

Legend (m³ day⁻¹ km⁻²)

stw dry



shallow, dry

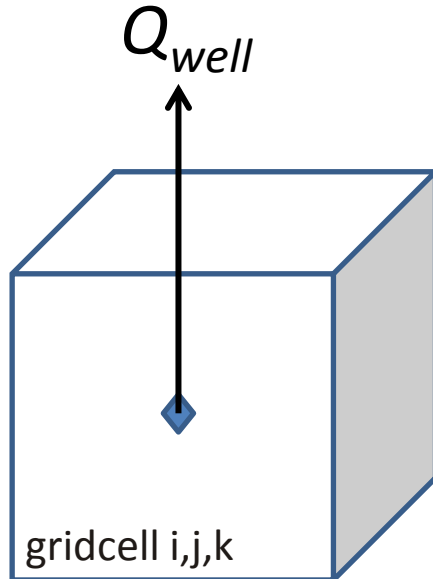
Irrigation for agricultural purposes

- known is area per irrigation type, on district level
- distinction between wet season and dry season
- irrigation Shallow Tube Well : 10-60m depth
- irrigation Deep Tube Well: 60-100m depth

Source: depth based on the well data of DPHE

MODELLING RECHARGE

Extractions: the Well package



$$Q_{well} = Q_{i,j,k}$$

So one map needed:
Map of well locations with extraction rates

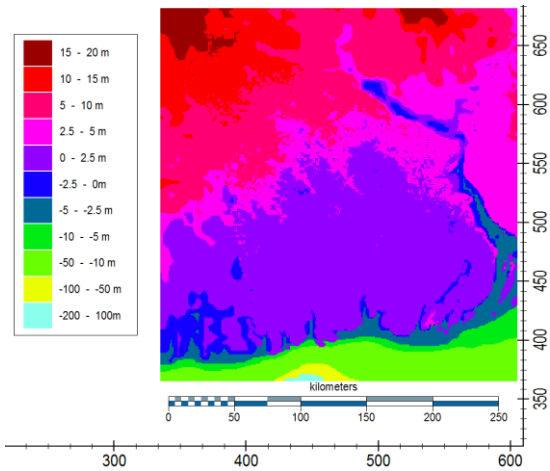
Domestic and Industrial

$$Q_{well} \text{ (m}^3\text{/(day*km}^2\text{))} = \frac{\text{Population size * growth rate * Water demand}}{\text{Upazila surface area}}$$

Agricultural

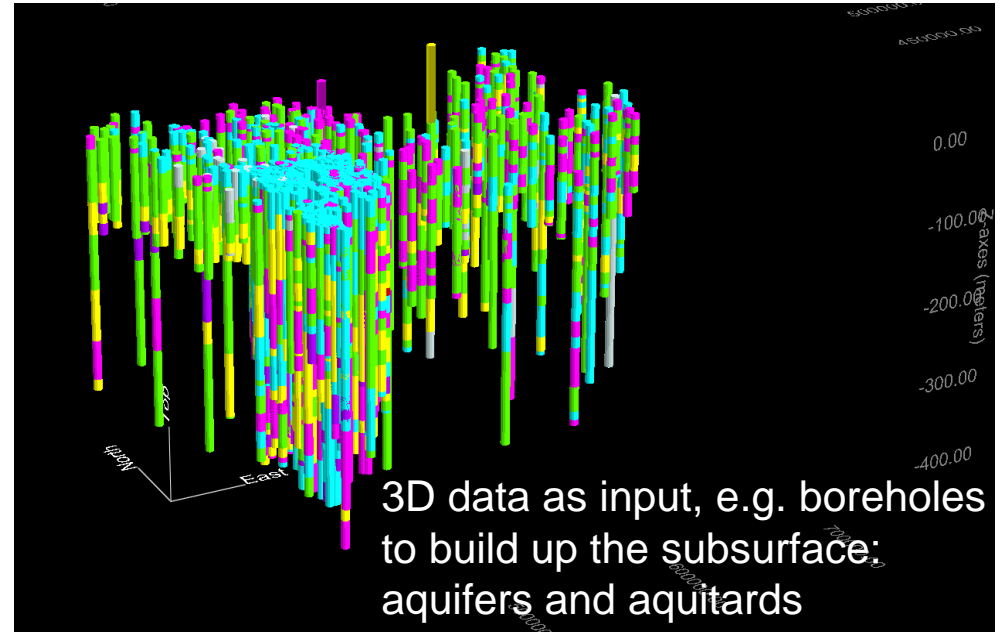
$$Q_{well} \text{ (m}^3\text{/(day*km}^2\text{))} = \frac{\text{Irrigated area * withdrawal rate}}{\text{district surface area}}$$

iMOD-SEAWAT TO BUILD A 3D VARIABLE-DENSITY GRW. MODEL



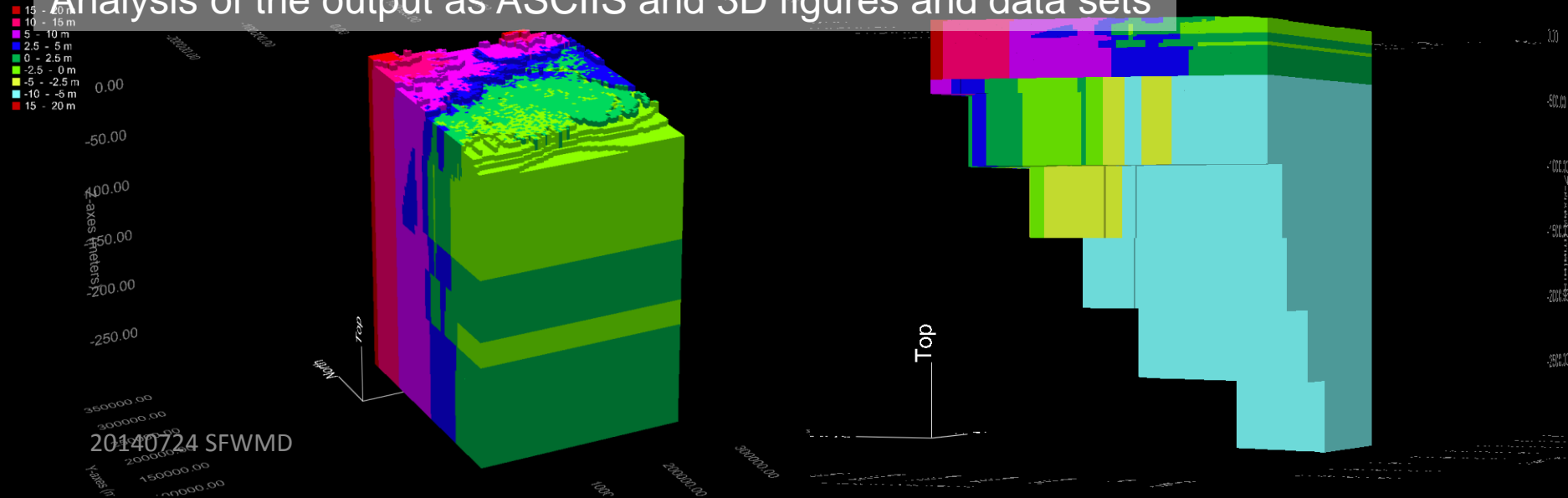
ASCII'S as input

E.g. surface elevation

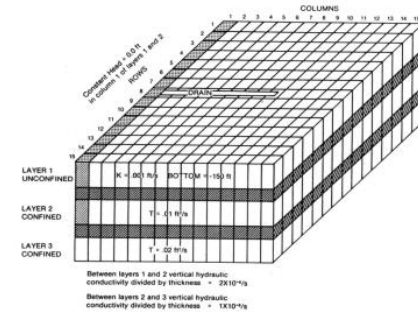


3D data as input, e.g. boreholes to build up the subsurface: aquifers and aquitards

Analysis of the output as ASCII'S and 3D figures and data sets



MASS BALANS GROUNDWATER



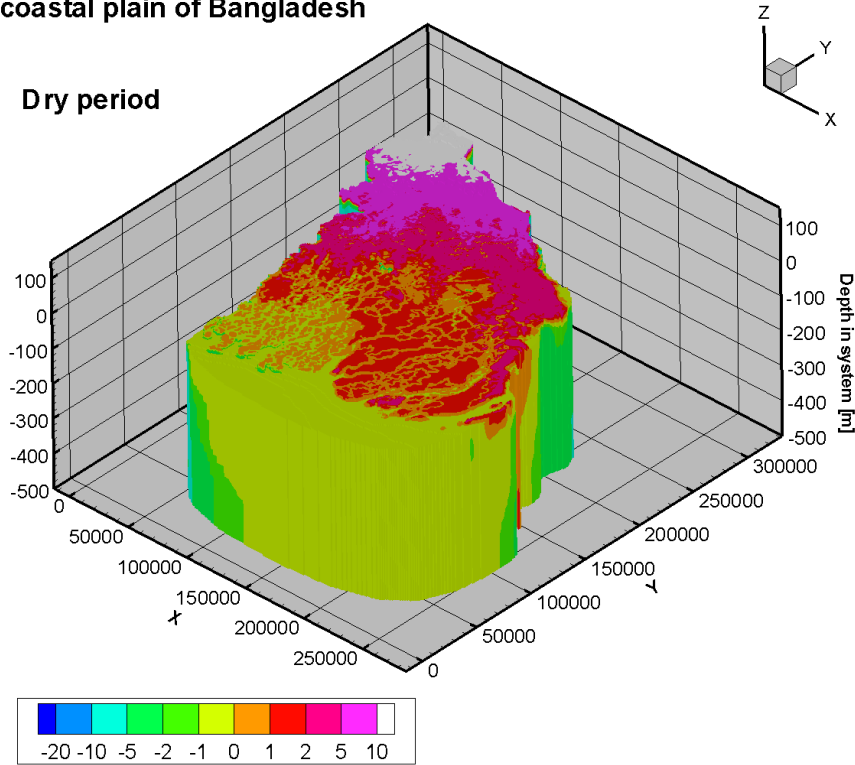
IN	DRY SEASON	WET SEASON
via boundaries	2%	0%
via wells	0%	0%
via river	98%	0%
via recharge	0%	100%
OUT		
via boundaries	0%	1%
via wells	54%	4%
via river	0%	95%
via evapotranspiration	46%	0%

MODEL RESULTS: HEADS



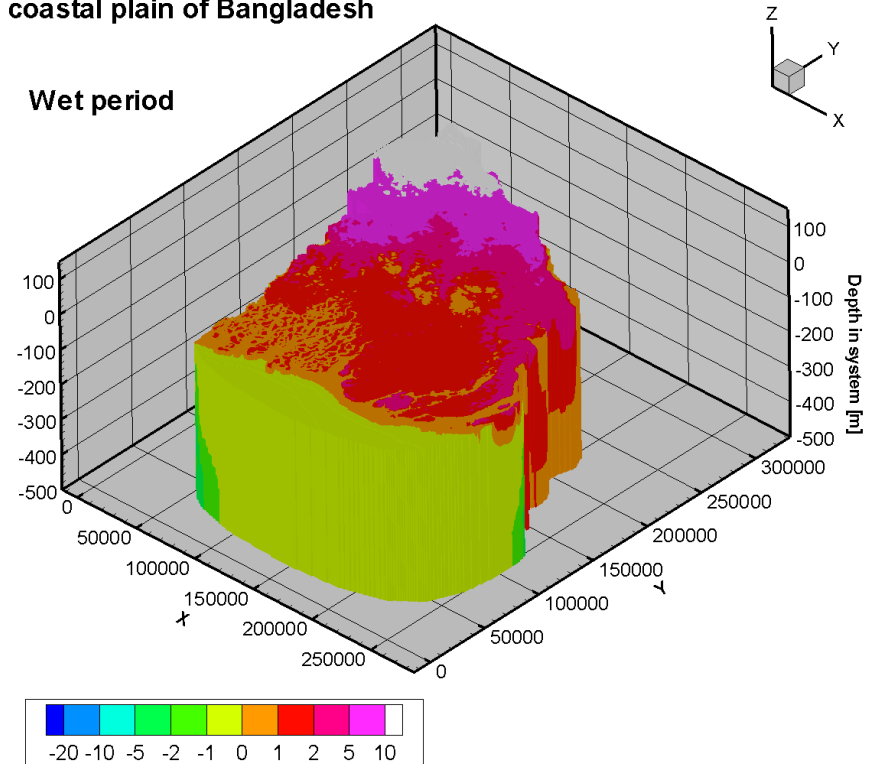
Present head distribution in the central coastal plain of Bangladesh

Dry period

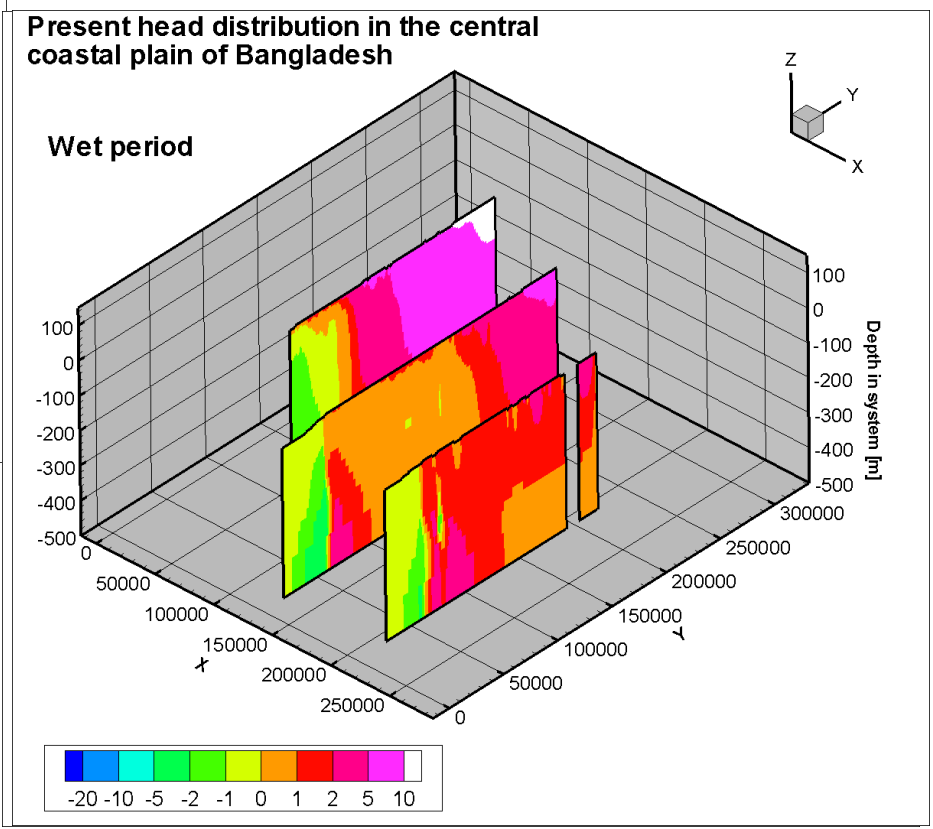
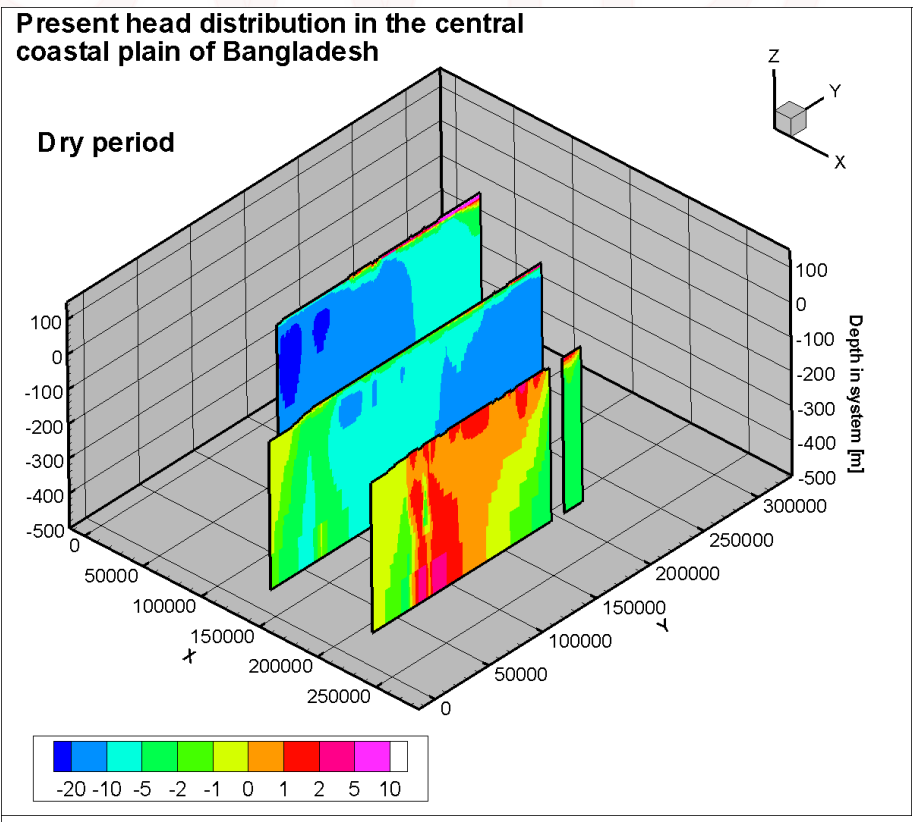


Present head distribution in the central coastal plain of Bangladesh

Wet period



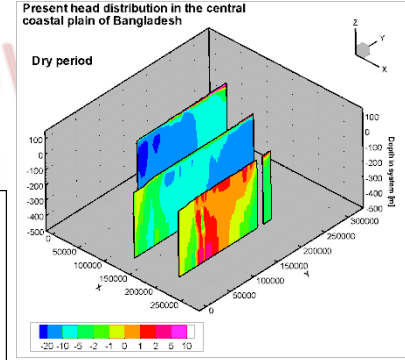
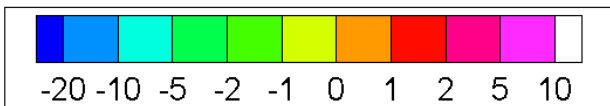
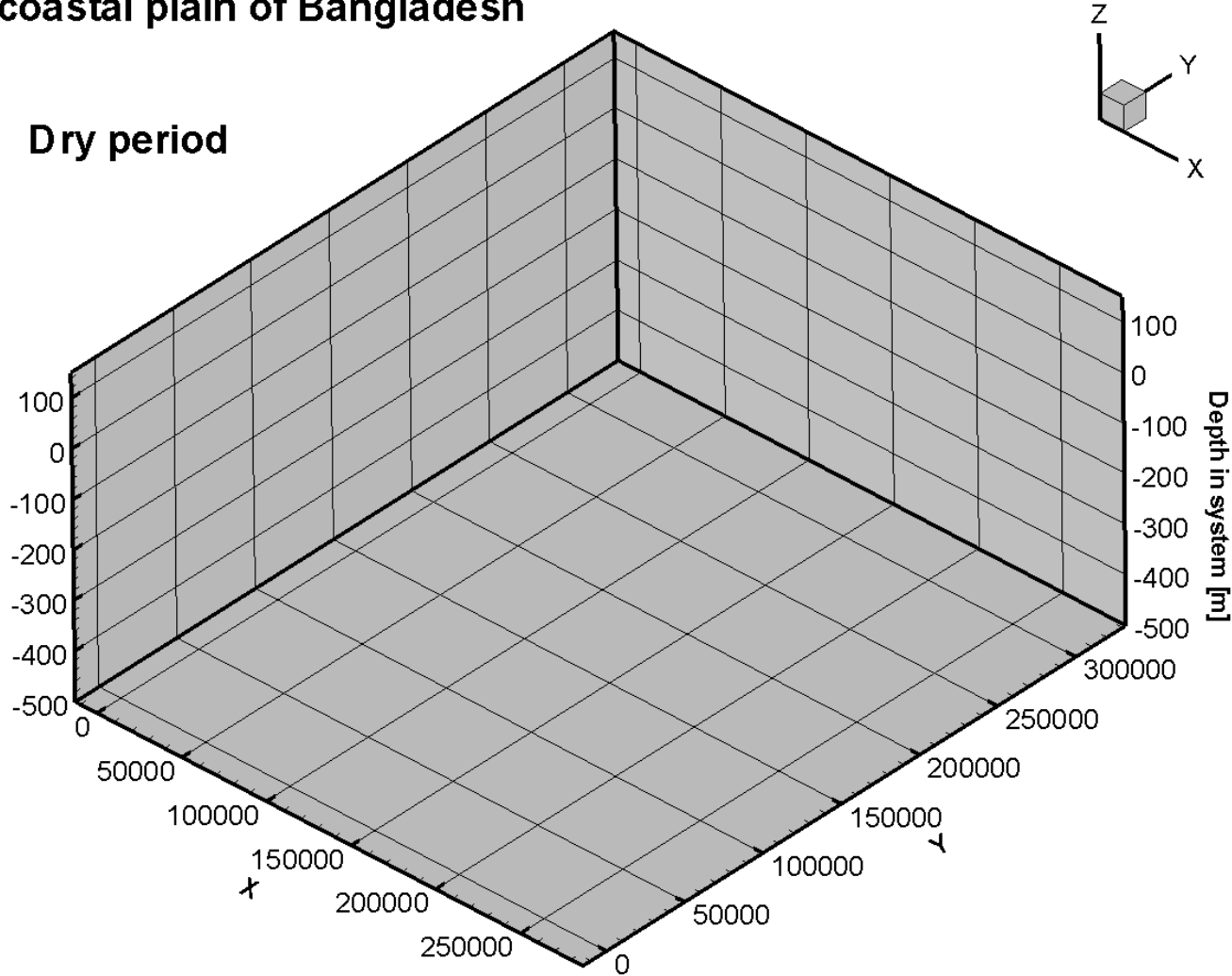
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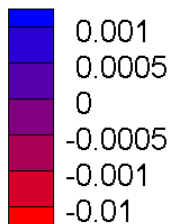
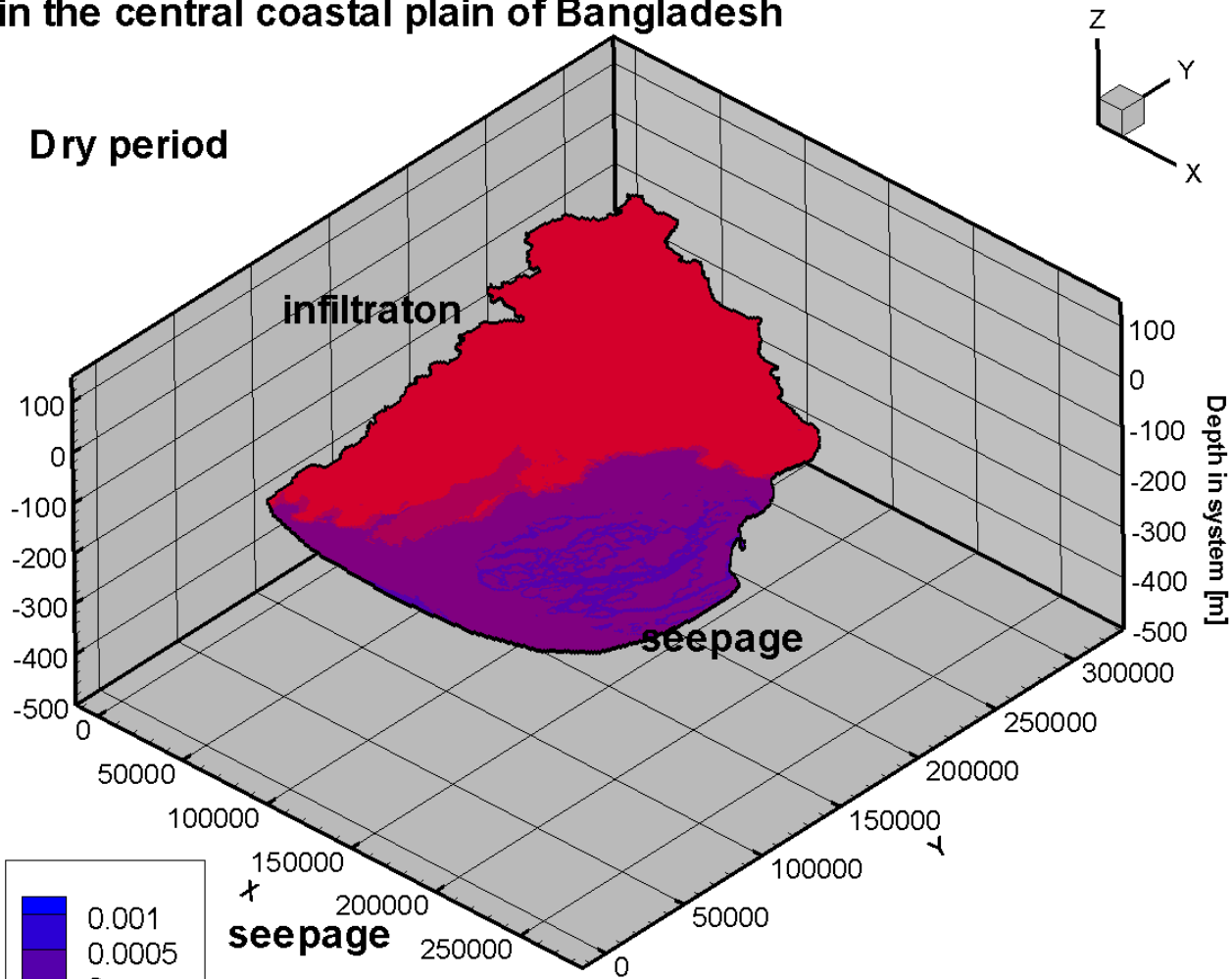
Dry period



MODEL RESULTS: SEEPAGE/INFILTRATION

Present infiltration towards or seepage from the top system
in the central coastal plain of Bangladesh

Dry period

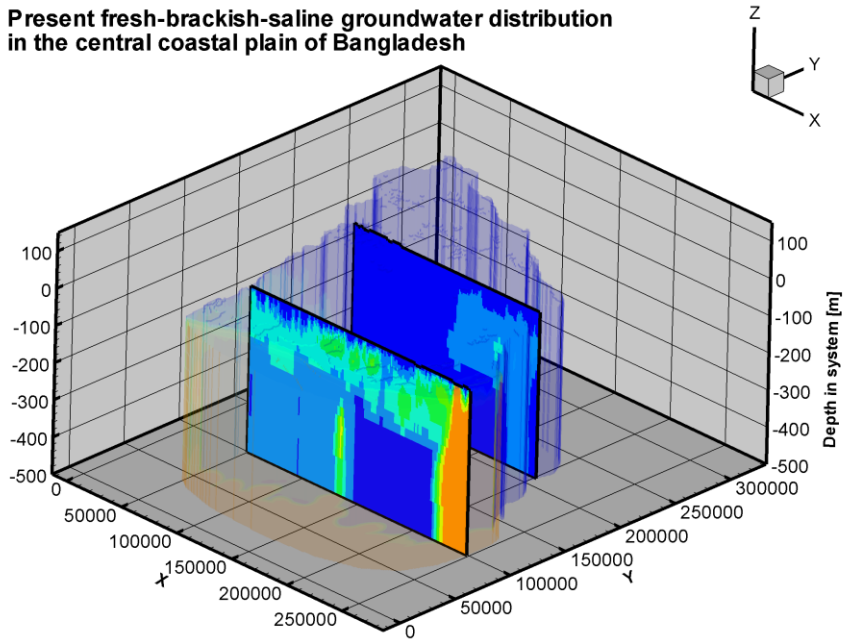


seepage

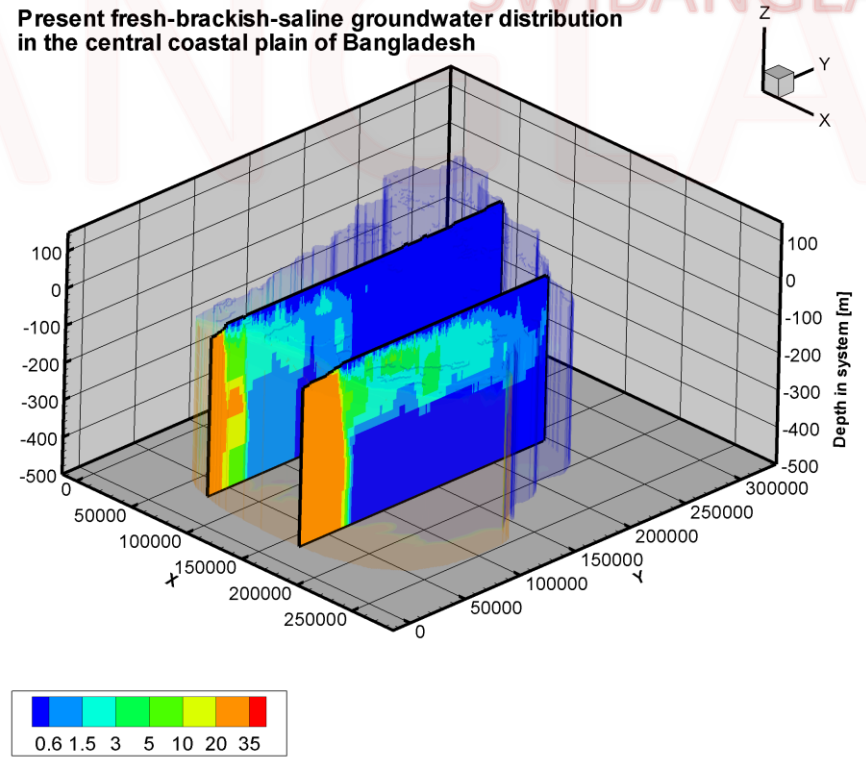
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MODEL RESULTS: 3D-SALINITY

Present fresh-brackish-saline groundwater distribution
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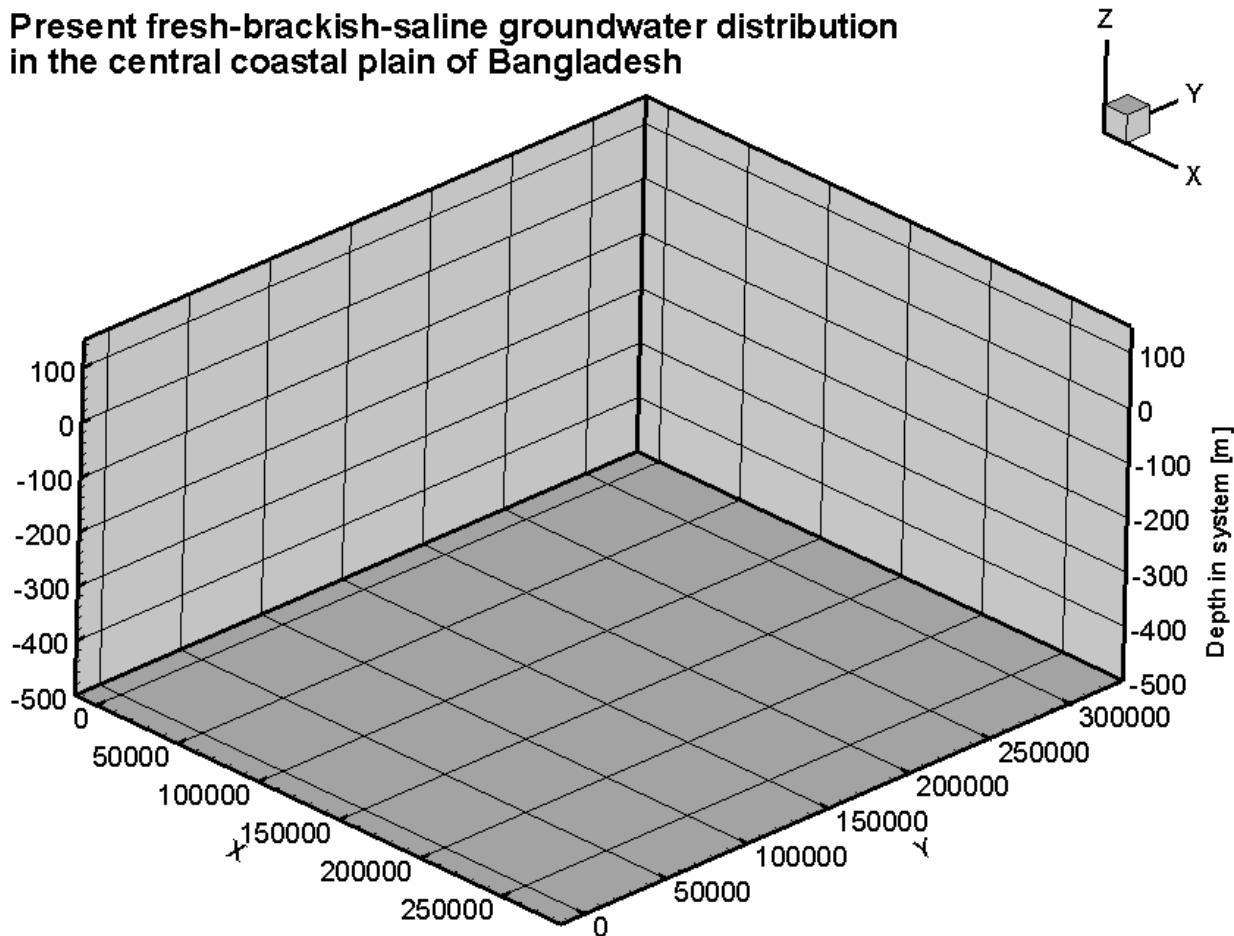


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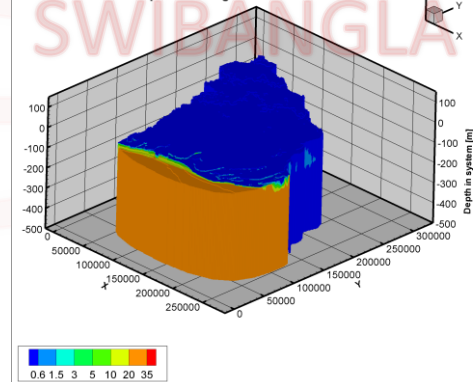


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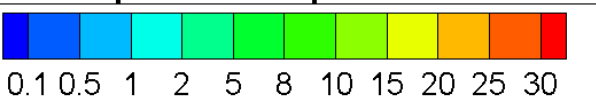
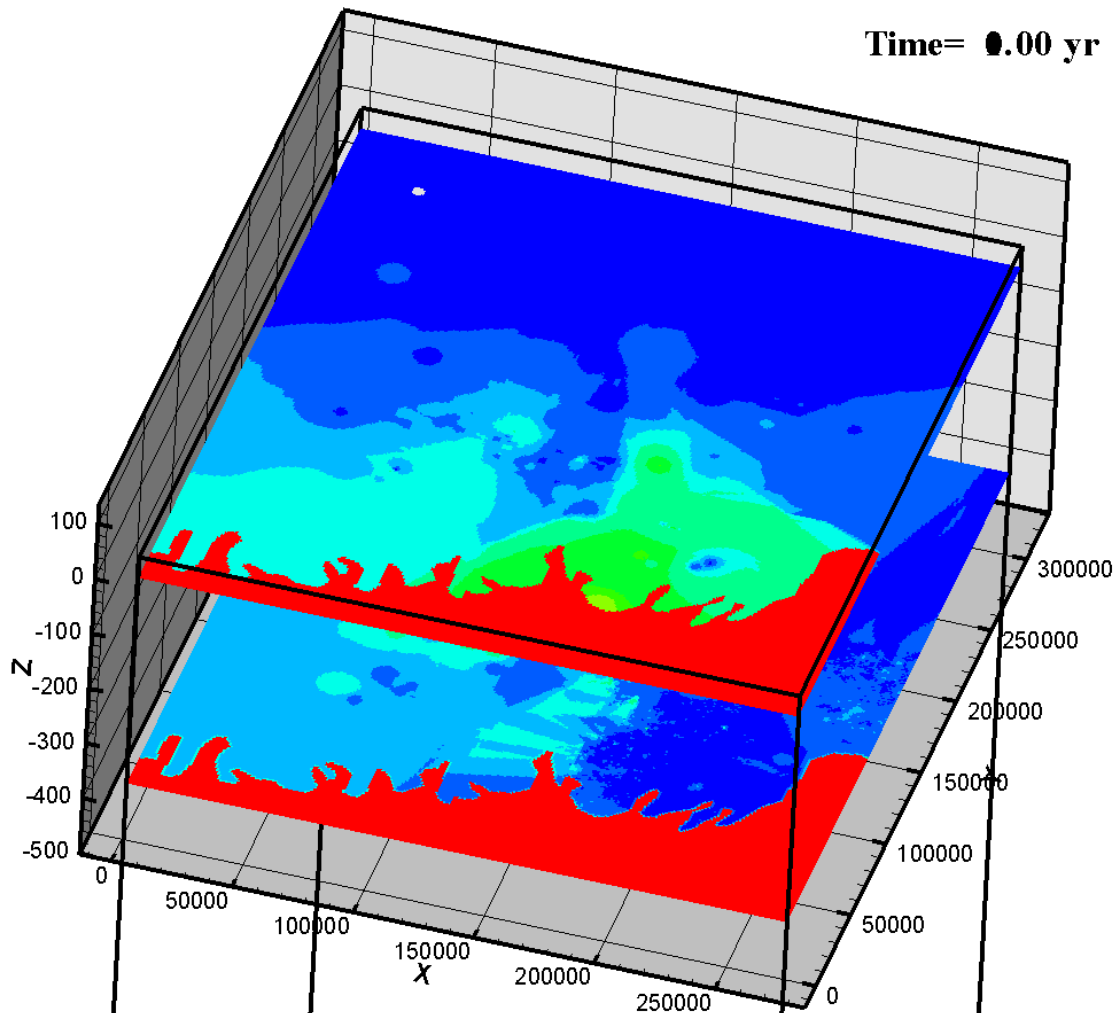


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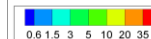
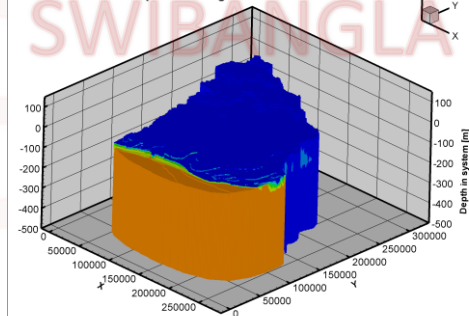


MODEL RESULTS: 3D-SALINITY

Time= 0.00 yr



Present fresh-brackish-saline groundwater distribution in the central coastal plain of Bangladesh



CONCLUDING REMARKS

1. The 3D model of variable-density groundwater flow and coupled salt transport model is operational in its present base form
2. The used iMOD-SEAWAT modelling tool is OPEN SOURCE
3. The initial fresh-brackish-salt distribution has been improved by the additional data
4. The complex heterogeneous system can be modelled with the code without numerical problem
5. Different concepts have been tested

Recommendations for improvements:

- Calibration on heads and salinity distribution
- Simulation of non-steady state seasonal groundwater flow

After implementation of these suggestions, the model is suitable to simulate global change scenarios on extraction rates, land subsidence and climate change (sea level rise).

**Thank you
for your attention!**

