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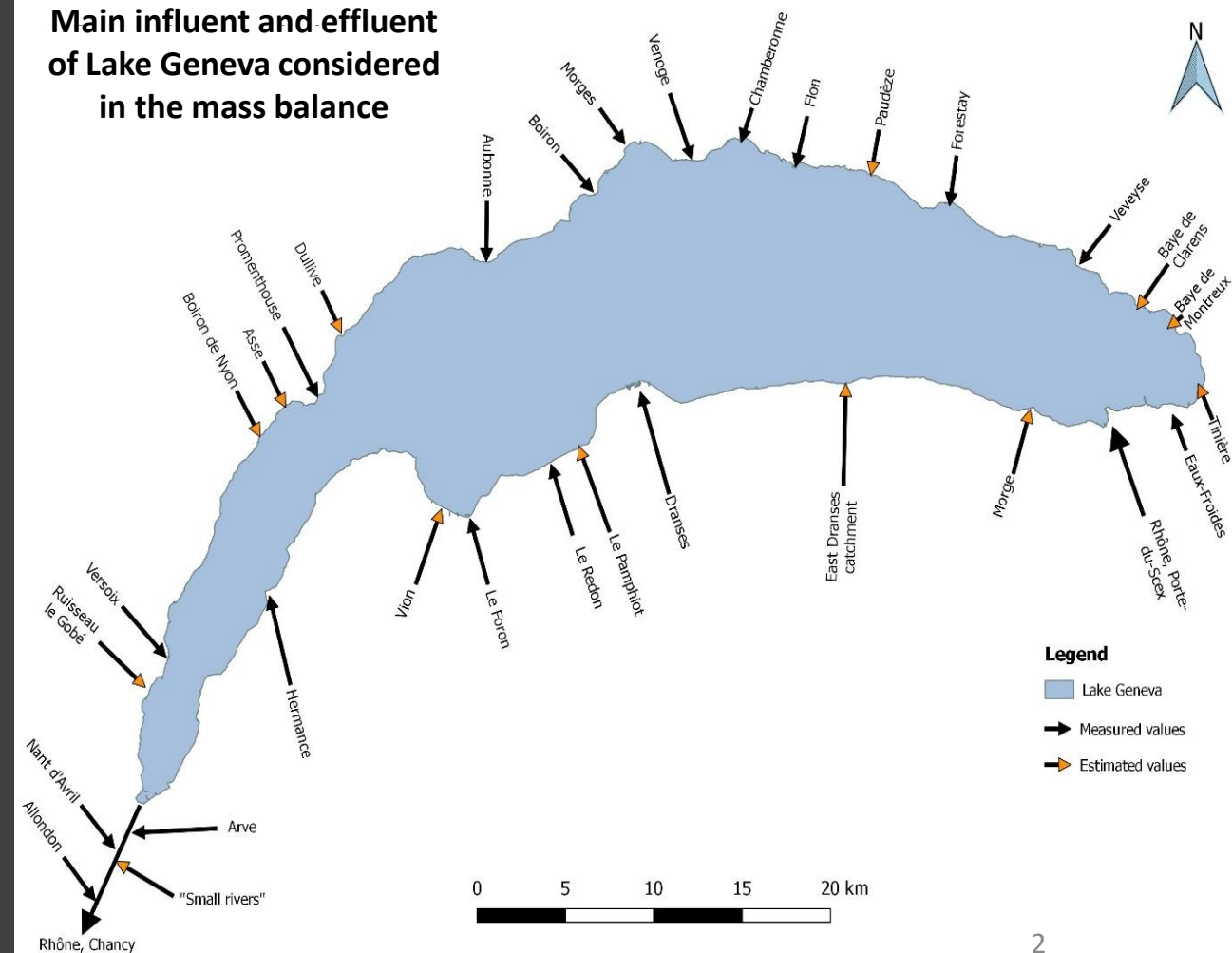
Apport au Léman par précipitation directe

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Project goals

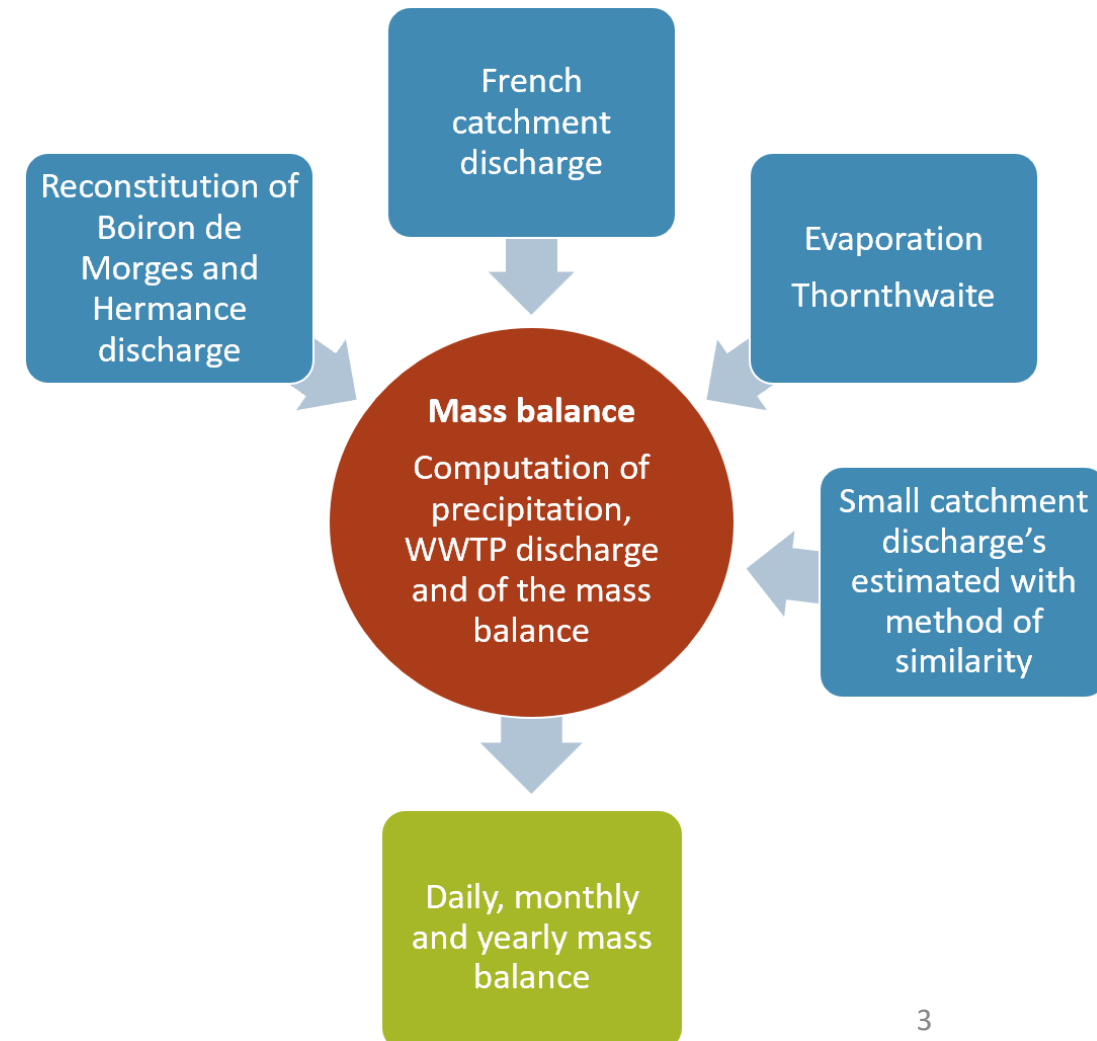
- Determination of input and output river fluxes.
- Provide a correct estimation of discharge at the outlet of the Lake Geneva.
- Direct precipitation estimation.
- Evaporation determination.
- Determination of evaporation during raining event.



Method overview

- Mass balance approach: *to determine river fluxes in and out of Lake Geneva.*
- Kriging with an External Drift: *to interpolate precipitation value over lake area.*
- Thornthwaite formula & Inverse Distance Weighting: *to estimate and interpolate evaporation.*

Structure of the MATLAB code:



Unmeasured discharge determination, similarity

- Based on two majors hypothesis:
 - Two catchments have the same specific discharge if they have similar:
 - area
 - mean precipitation
 - land cover
 - mean distance between any point of the watershed and the stream ($dist_{mean}$)
 - Linear relationship between precipitation and specific discharge.

$$q_{specific,j}(t) = \frac{Q_j(t)}{A_{catchment_i}}$$

- Indice J refers to the watersheds and river with a measuring station.
- Indice I refers to the watersheds and river without measurement.

Unmeasured discharge determination, similarity

- Attribute specific discharge $q_{spe,j}$ to a watersheds with a river i similar to the watersheds j
- Using a similarity index depending on land cover, watershed area and $dist_{mean}$, for catchment $> 10 \text{ km}^2$.
- Using a similarity index depending on watershed area and $dist_{mean}$, for catchment $< 10 \text{ km}^2$.
- Correction of calculated specific discharge multiplying by a ratio of mean precipitation fallen on watershed i divided by the mean precipitation fallen on water j.

- $Index_{simil,ij} =$

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \min[f_i, f_j]_k * \frac{\min[A_i, A_j]}{\max[A_i, A_j]} * \frac{\min[dist_{mean,i}, dist_{mean,j}]}{\max[dist_{mean,i}, dist_{mean,j}]}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0, \text{ not similar.} \\ 1, \text{ similar watershed.} \end{cases}$$

- $q_{spe,i,corr} = q_{spe,i} * \frac{P_i}{P_j}$

Unmeasured discharge determination, nearest neighbour

- Determine specific flows $q_{spe,i}$ stations from a linear combination of the specific discharges $q_{spe,j}$.
 - $q_{specific,i} = \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_{ij} * q_{specific,j}$
- Based on one hypothesis :
 - Nearest streams show similar specific discharges.
- Weights : inversely proportional to the distance between the outlet of the watersheds i and j, with a sum of the weights equal to one :

$$\lambda_{ij} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{(X_i - X_j)^2 + (Y_i - Y_j)^2}}}{\sum_{k=1}^n \sqrt{\frac{1}{(X_i - X_k)^2 + (Y_i - Y_k)^2}}}$$

Discharge estimation of Boiron de Morges, Hermance and French side

- Boiron de Morge and Hermance: discharge available since 2008 and 2009 only:
 - Reconstitution of 2003 to 2008/2009 discharge with a typical year.
- French side, estimation of Vion, Pamphiot and East Dranse Catchment discharge based on:
 - Values found in litterature (Qspec).
 - Similar size catchment with discharge measuring station.
 - Area ratio.

Mean output discharge of Lake Geneva

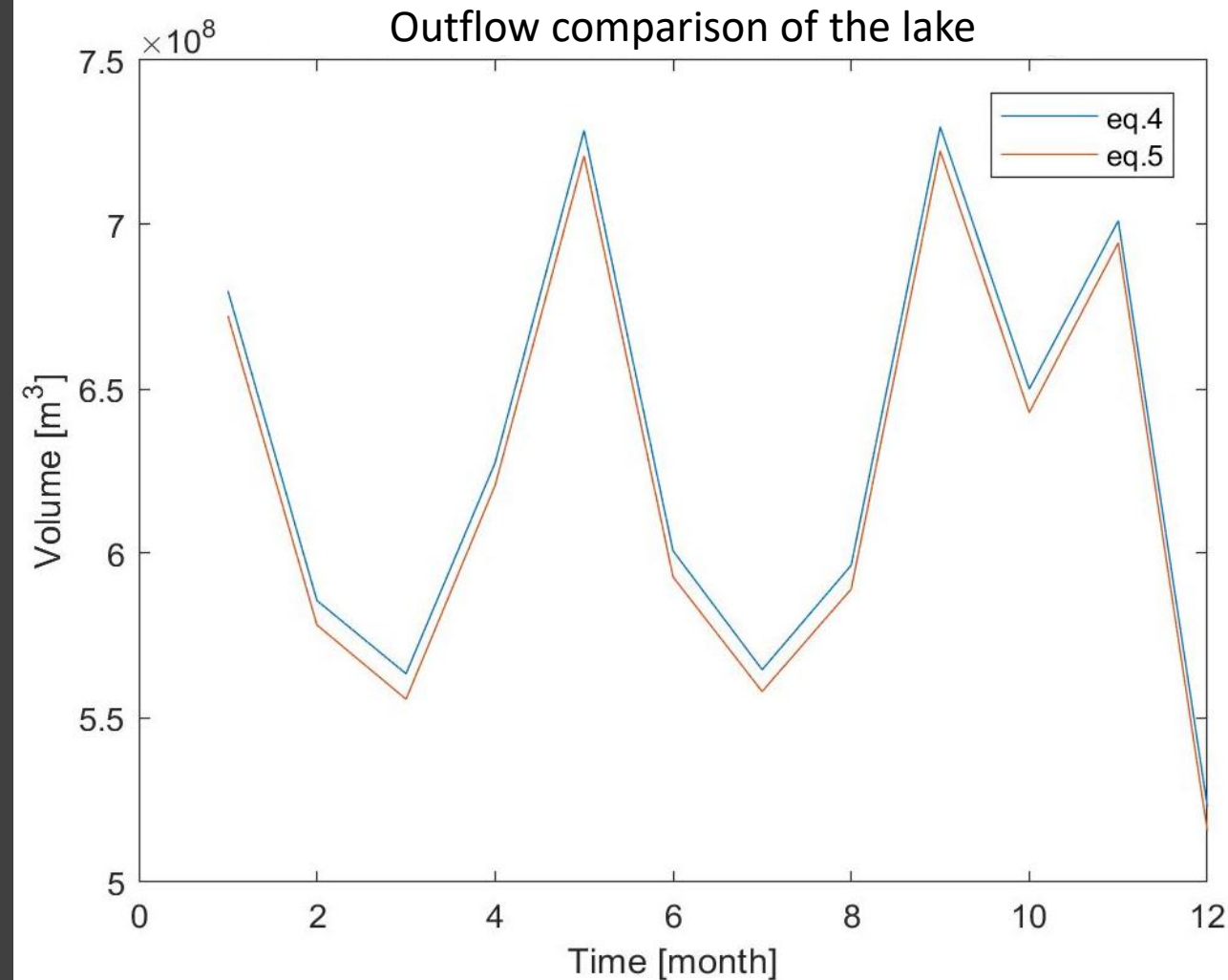
- Comparison of two methods:

- $$V_{outgoing, Lake\ Geneva} [m^3] = 97\% * V_{Chancy} - V_{Arve} \text{ (eq.4)}$$

- $$V_{outgoing, Lake\ Geneva} [m^3] = (V_{Chancy} - V_{Arve} - V_{Nant\ d'Avril} - \dots - V_{WWTP} - V_{small\ rivers}) * R \text{ (eq.5)}$$

- $$R = \frac{A_{BVleman}}{A_{BVChancy} - A_{nant\ d'avril} - A_{small\ rivers} - A_{arve}}$$

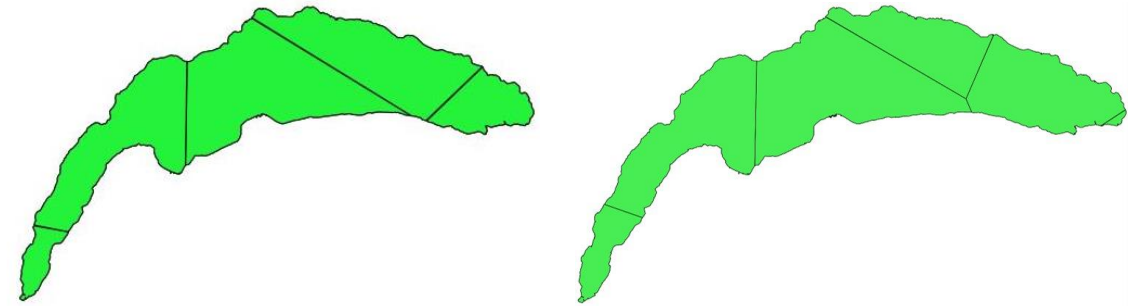
- $$R = 0.9575$$



Determination of the direct precipitation over the lake

- Comparison of two interpolation methods:
 - Thiessen Polygon interpolation
 - Kriging (with an external drift) interpolation
- Using meteorological stations of Pully, Evian, Changins, Geneva, Aigle and Vevey (after 2010).
- Estimated at 951mm/year by MétéoSuisse.

Thiessen polygons

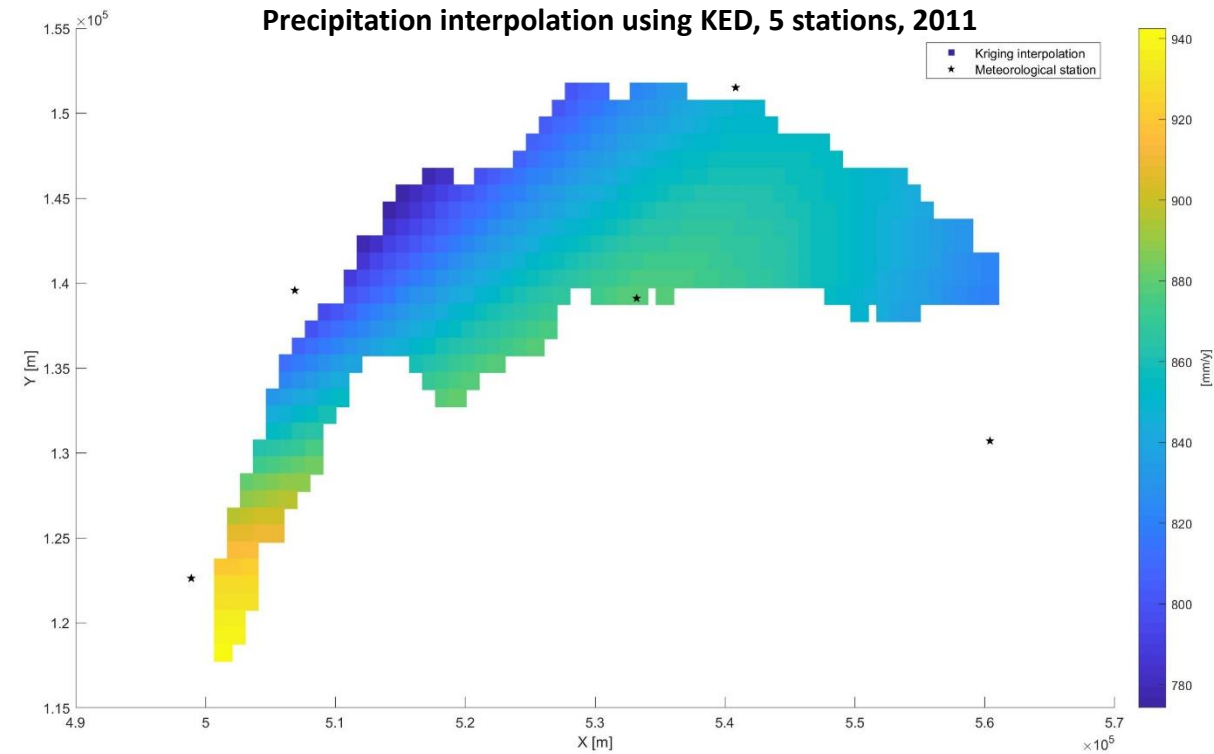


- Beginning of precipitation measurements in Vevey in 2010. Before 31.12.2009: use of 5 Thiessen polygon's, after 01.01.2010: use of 6 Thiessen polygon's.
- Mean yearly Precipitation estimation : **919.7** mm/year .

$$\bullet \text{ Precipitation}_{on\ lake} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n \text{Precipitation}_j * A_j}{\sum_{j=1}^n A_j}$$

Kriging with an external drift (KED)

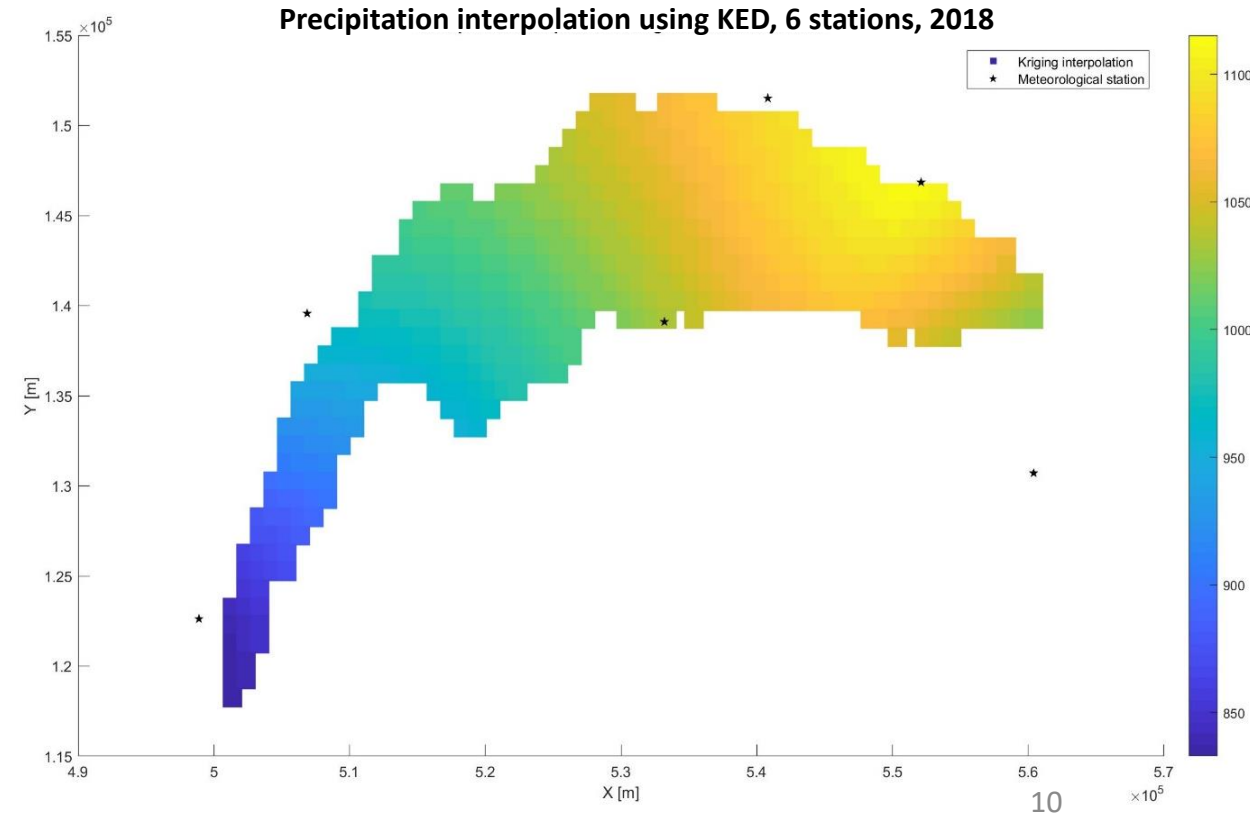
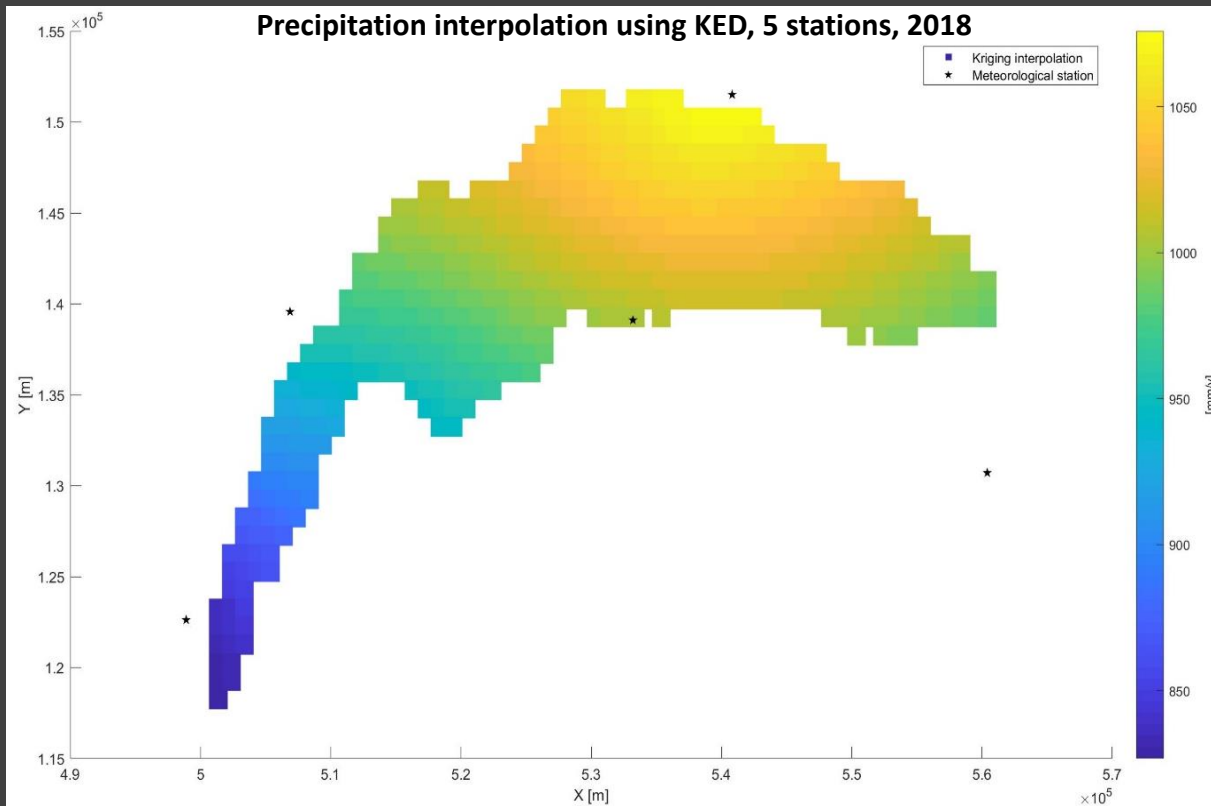
- Variogram model determination (Atkinson and al, 1998):
 - $\gamma(h, \theta) = c_1 * \left(1 - e^{-\left(\frac{h}{a_1(\theta)}\right)^2}\right) + c_2 * \left(\frac{3}{2} * \frac{h}{a_2(\theta)} - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{h}{a_2(\theta)}\right)^2\right)$ if $h < a_2(\theta)$
 - $\gamma(h, \theta) = c_1 * \left(1 - e^{-\left(\frac{h}{a_1(\theta)}\right)}\right) + c_2$ if $h > a_2(\theta)$
- Linear relationship between the altitude and the precipitation :
 - $P(x_1, y_1) \approx a_1 * Alt(x_1, y_1) + a_0 = a_1 * S_1^1 + a_0 * S_1^0$
- Weights determination for precipitation interpolation:
 - $P_i = \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_{ij} * P_j$
- Mean yearly Precipitation estimation:
985.5mm/year



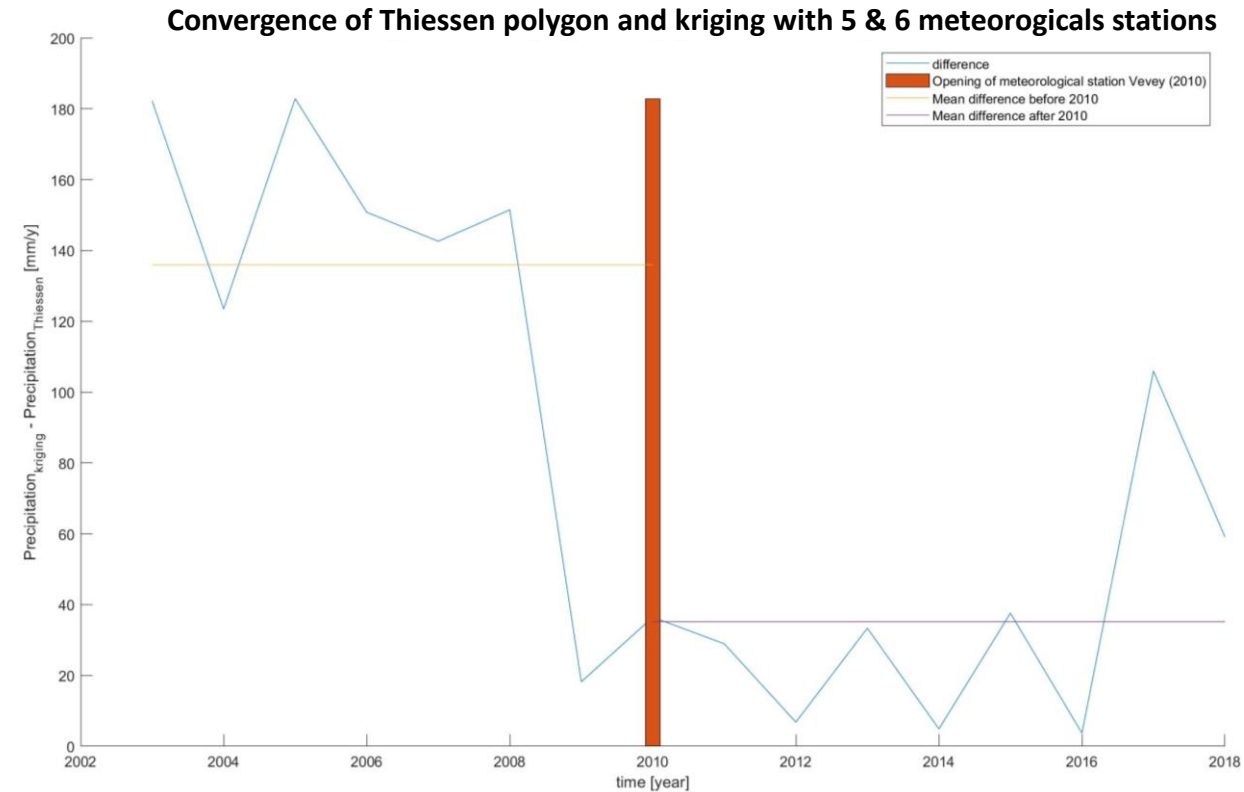
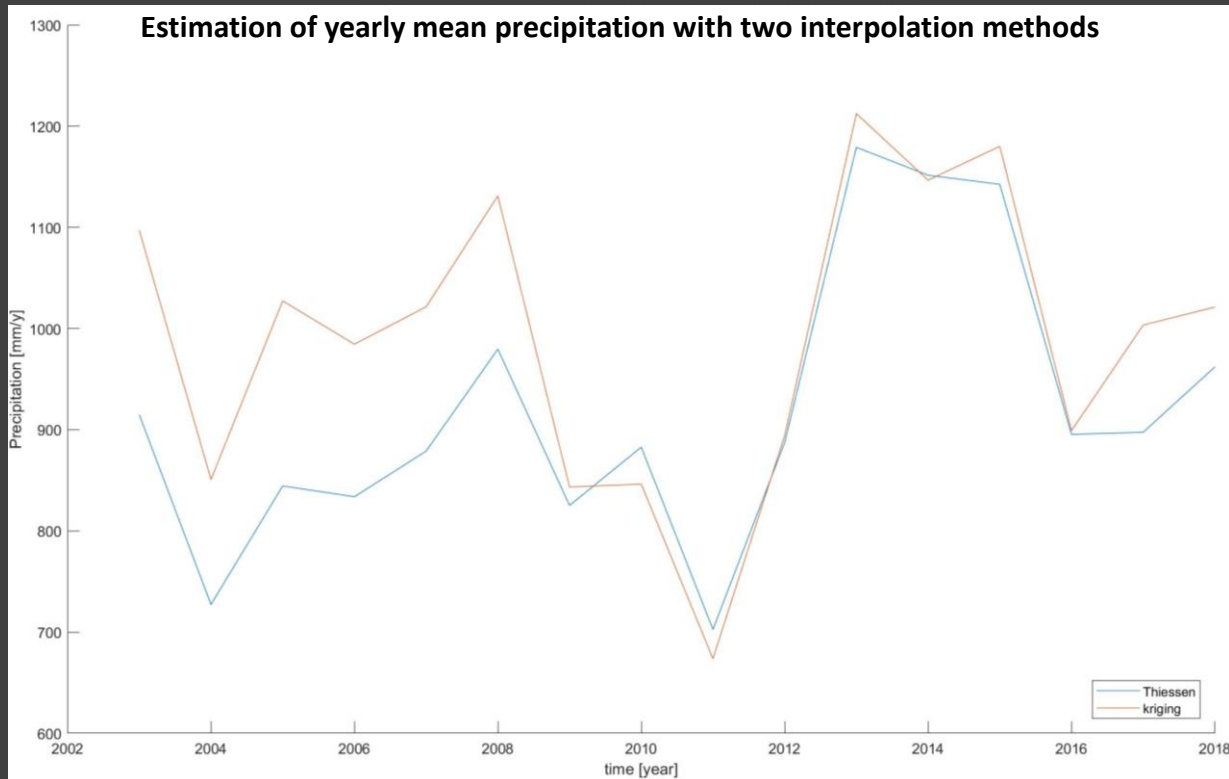
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 \gamma_{N1}^Y & \gamma_{N2}^Y & \dots & \gamma_{NN}^Y & 1 & S_N^1 & \dots & S_N^L \\
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 S_1^1 & S_2^1 & \dots & S_N^1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\
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 \vdots \\
 S_0^L
 \end{bmatrix}$$

Influence of measurements station in Vevey (Kriging)

- *Yearly differences for a point* = $0.45 \frac{mm}{year}$ between 5 and 6 measuring station with Kriging.



Influence of precipitation measurements in Vevey (2009)



Precipitation errors estimations

- Each device in the stations has its own incertitudes. In the stations there is two type of rain gauges
- The yearly error on each station is determined.
 - $Error_j = Incertitude_j * (number\ of\ measurement_j > 0.0\ mm)$
- The mean yearly errors precipitation for the lake is calculated for each method :
 - Thiessen :
 - $Error = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n Error_j * A_j}{\sum_{j=1}^n A_j}$
 - Kriging :
 - $Error_i = \sum_{j=1}^n |\lambda_{ij}| * Error_j$
 - $Error = < Error_i >$

Rain gauges used in each station:

Station	Rain gauges
Genève	Pluvio2
Changins	Lambrecht
Pully	Lambrecht
Vevey	Pluvio2
Aigle	Lambrecht
Evian	Unknown

Rain gauges incertitude (*Incertitude_j*):

Rain gauges	Incertitude
Pluvio2 (OTT HydroMet, 2019)	+/-0.05 mm/ hourly measurement
Lambrecht (Raig, 2020)	+/-0.1mm/hourly measurement or 1% if hourly measurement > 10mm

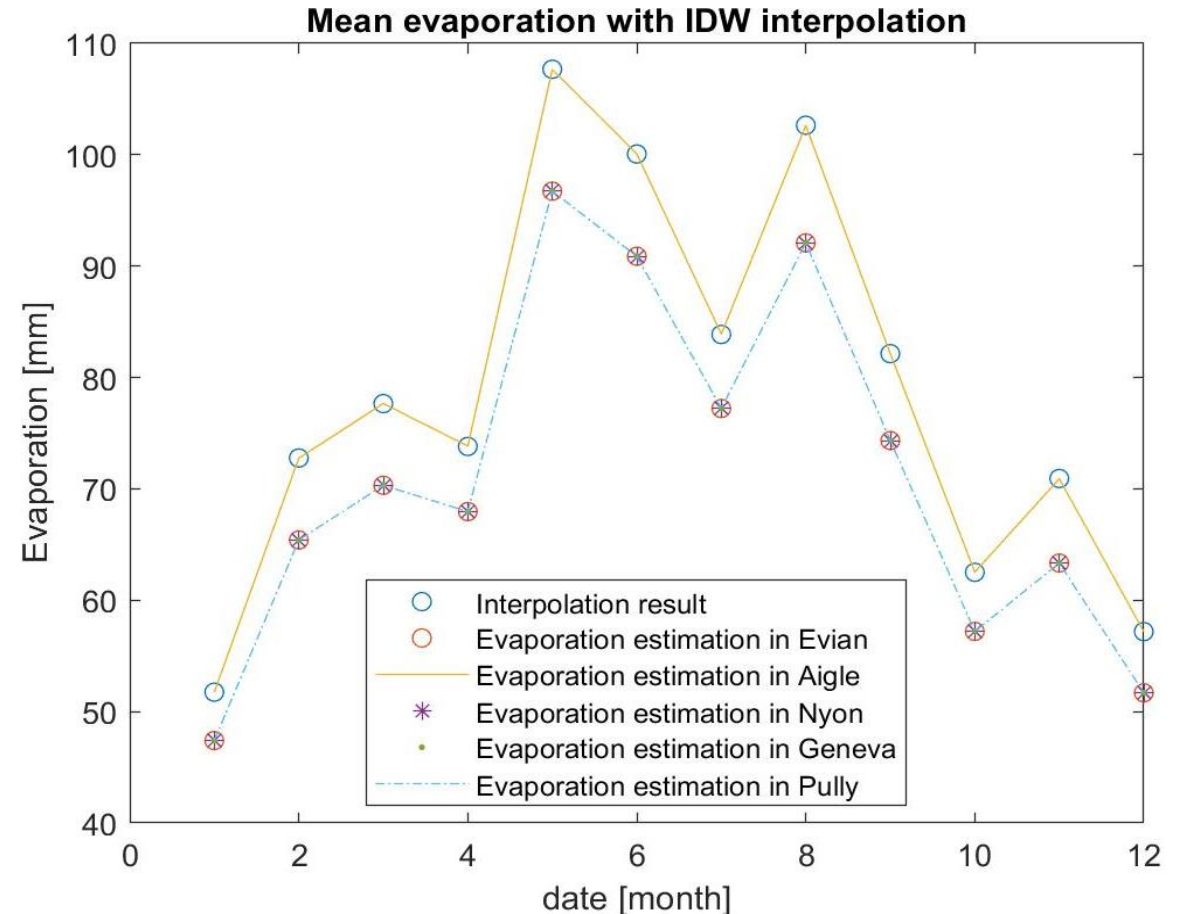
Yearly errors for each method:

Methods	Error
Thiessen	109.26 mm/year
Kriging with an external drift	123.19 mm/year

Methods	Interval for the true value
Thiessen	[866.3; 1112.7]
Kriging with an external drift	[810.4; 1029.0]

Evaporation determination and interpolation

- Using Thornthwaite equation:
 - $ET_0(m) = \frac{16}{12} N_m \left(\frac{10T_m}{I} \right)^a$
 - $ET_{Lake}(m) = 1.61 * ET_0(m)$
- Interpolated according to Inverse Distance Weighting.
- Mean yearly evaporation estimation: **938** mm/year.
- Estimated at: 950mm/year by Hydrological atlas of Switzerland.











- Mass Balance:

$$\bullet \frac{dV(t)}{dt} * \frac{1}{A_{lake}} = \frac{Q_{out}(t) - Q_{in}(t)}{A_{lake}} - Prec(t) + ET(t)$$

Model use	Mass balance closure [mm/y]	
Nearest neighbour	113.56	13
Similitude	9.28	

Evaporation during rainfall event

- Based on 4 precipitation events (> 24h & > 0.1mm/h): summer 2012, fall 2015, spring 2017 and winter 2018.
- Comparison of 3 methods: Rohwer, Primault and FAO-Penman.
- Determined in Pully.

- Rohwer:  
 - $E_{mm/h} = 0.484(1 + 0.6v)(e_s - e_a)$
- Primault:  
 - $E_{mm} = \frac{103 - H_r}{100} (N + 2 * 1/24)$
- FAO-Penman:    
 - $ET_0 \left[\frac{mm}{h} \right] = \frac{0.408 * \Delta * (R_n - G) + \gamma * \frac{900}{T + 273} * u_2 * (e_s - e_a)}{\Delta + \gamma * (1 + 0.34 * u_2)}$

Evaporation during rainfall event

- $\text{Ratio} = \frac{\text{Evaporation [mm]}}{\text{Precipitation [mm]}} * 100 [\%]$
- Seasonal trend for all methods.
- Evaporation is:
 - Negligeable: Fall and Winter
 - Important: Spring and Summer

Ratio [%]	Winter	Spring	Summer	Autumn
Rohwer	2.589+/- 0.165	5.683 +/- 0.294	15.867 +/- 0.389	7.2107+/- 0.184
Primault	0.818+/-10 ⁻³	1.215+/-10 ⁻³	3.151+/-10 ⁻³	1.913+/-10 ⁻³
Penman	0.4719+/- 0.192	20.247 +/- 1.957	37.816 +/- 2.822	5.281+/- 0.294

Error estimation

- From measurement:
 - Discharge: $\delta \in [5\% ; 20\%]$
- Propagation of error measurement:
 - Precipitation: $\delta \in [12\% ; 12.5\%]$
 - Evaporation: $\delta \in [7.5\% ; 40\%]$
- From missing data: smoothing effect of interpolation methods.
- From the position of the measuring station: missing catchment area of 172 km^2 .

Results

- Mass balance closure: 10mm/y, < 10% of evaporative volume.
- Direct precipitation: 986 mm/y, ~4% difference with MétéoSuisse measurements.
- Evaporation: 938 mm/y, ~1.3% difference with Hydrological Atlas of Switzerland.



Conclusion:

- Coherent inflow and outflow model of Lake Geneva.
- Two models to determine direct precipitation. KED more adapted to the data.
- Rough yearly evaporation estimation.
- Evaporation during a precipitation event:
 - Negligeable in Fall and Winter
 - Important in Spring and Summer





Thank you for your
attention !

« La Terre avait été un musée sublime. Par
malheur, l'homme n'était pas conservateur. »,
Sylvain Tesson