

Integrated Systems Modelling to support Decision-Making on Sustainable Infrastructures

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- The rivEAU project
- Test case + Experimental proof of concept
- Control strategy
- Model – first approach (SWMM)
- Model – second approach (WEST)
- Conclusion



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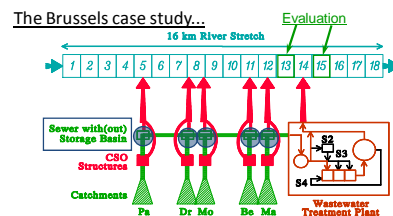
General introduction

Integrated modelling:

Model combinations of different systems

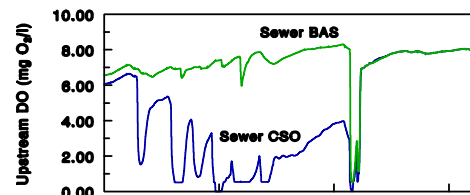
For water systems:

*Catchment + River +
Sewer + WWTP*

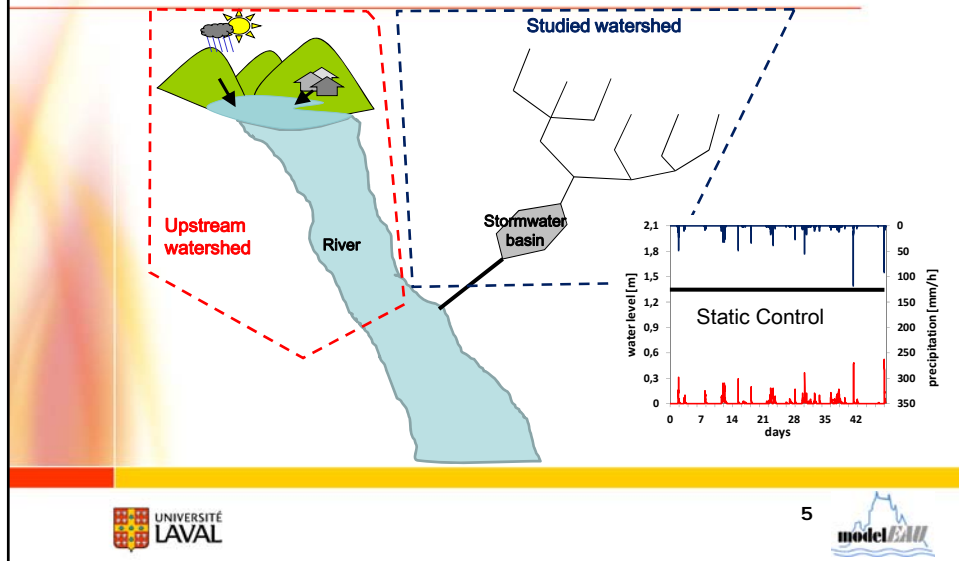


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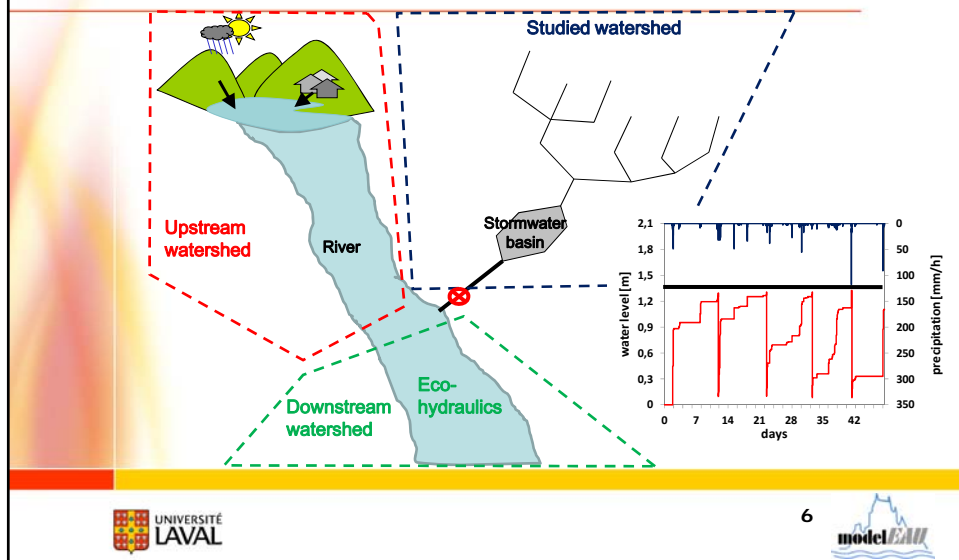
- What can we do with integrated modelling ?
 - Predict the future for different operation conditions
- Test different configurations
- Optimize the use of existing systems



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- Improve Eco-hydraulics:



Reduce hydraulic stress

and



Reduce effects on the quality
(pathogens, heavy metals...)

Idea

Focus on TSS and contaminants

Fine particles account for less than 10 % of TSS
but contain:

- 25 % of COD
- 30 % of N
- 50% of P
- More than 50 % of Heavy Metals

(Brombach et al. 1992)

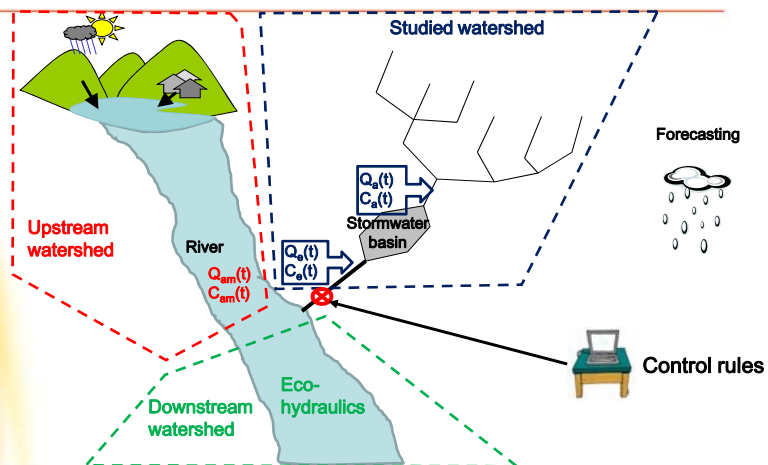
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Control outlet of basin to

- Extend the hydraulic retention time
- Increase the removal efficiency for TSS and agglomerated contaminants

The rivEAU project



Proof of principle: Test case

Stormwater Basin Chauveau - overview



- Separate System
- Stormwater part designed as dual drainage system
- Residential area
- ~15 ha
- Degree of imperviousness ~30 %
- ~900 inhabitants

Proof of principle: Test case

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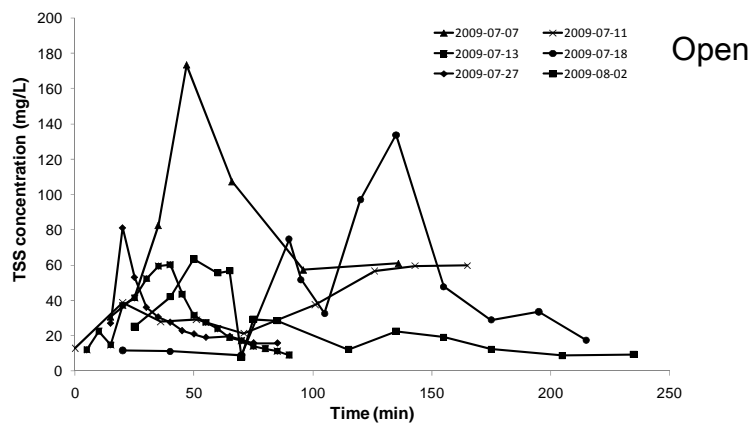


- 3300 m³
- Max. water level 1.4 m
- Max. outflow ~350 l/s



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Experimental results: TSS outlet



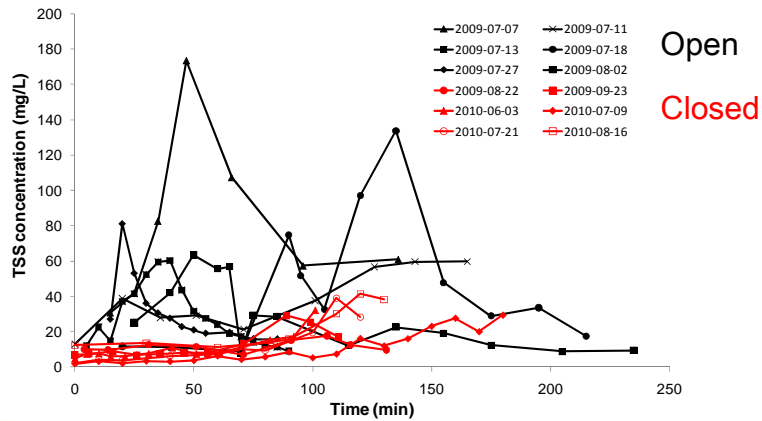
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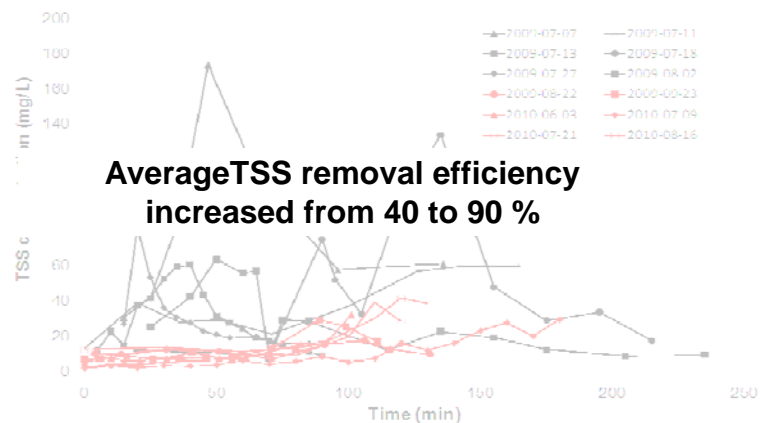
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Control strategies

Objectives

- Decrease loads of TSS and agglomerated contaminants by increasing time for sedimentation
- Decrease hydraulic peaks by limiting maximum outflow
- Avoid overflows
- Consider aquatic life stages of mosquitoes as limiting factor on the time water can be stored

Control strategies

Rules examined

- **Static control (10 Scenarios)**
 - Fixed maximum outflow between 15 and 150 l/s ($\sim 3 \text{ l/(s*ha)}$ and $\sim 33 \text{ l/(s*ha)}$)
- **Dynamic Control (basic set)**
 - If runoff **then** close outlet
 - If runoff and defined water level is reached **then** open outlet to a defined percentage
 - If defined maximum water level is reached **then** open outlet completely

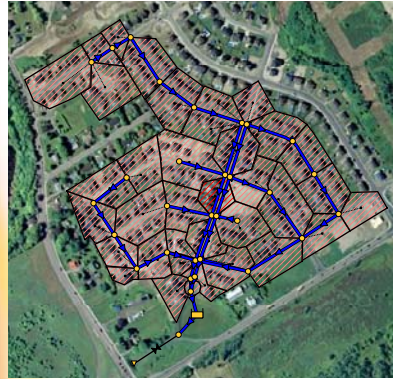
Control strategies

Rules examined

Dynamic Control (updated)

- **Mosquito control**
 - Basic set
 - If stormwater is stored longer than 80% of the aquatic life span of Mosquitoes **then** open outlet to a defined percentage
- **Volume free-up control**
 - Basic set
 - If stormwater is stored longer than time span needed to settle finest particles **then** open outlet to a defined percentage

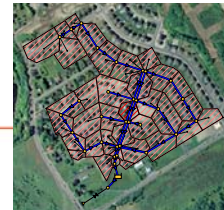
Model – first approach (SWMM)



- Build-up and wash-off
- TSS model for stormwater basin based on 6 particle size fractions

$$C_{TSS,i} = TSS_i \cdot e^{-\frac{v_{s,i} \cdot \Delta t}{depth}}$$

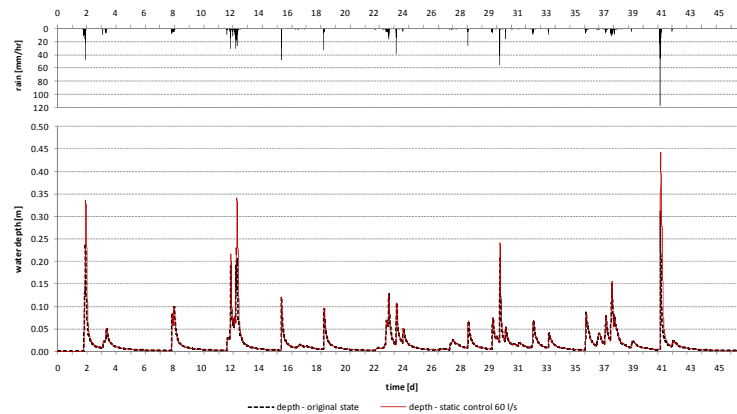
Model – first approach



Size fraction i	Particle size range (µm)	Average settling velocity of particles in size fraction i, $V_{s,i}$ (m/s)	Fraction of total mass contained in size fraction i (%) - MOEE	Fraction of total mass contained in size fraction i (%) - measured
1	$x \leq 20$	2.54E-06	20	83.4
2	$20 \leq x \leq 40$	1.30E-05	10	9.1
3	$40 \leq x \leq 60$	2.54E-05	10	4.4
4	$60 \leq x \leq 130$	1.27E-04	20	4.1
5	$130 \leq x \leq 400$	5.93E-04	20	-
6	$400 \leq x \leq 4000$	5.50E-03	20	-

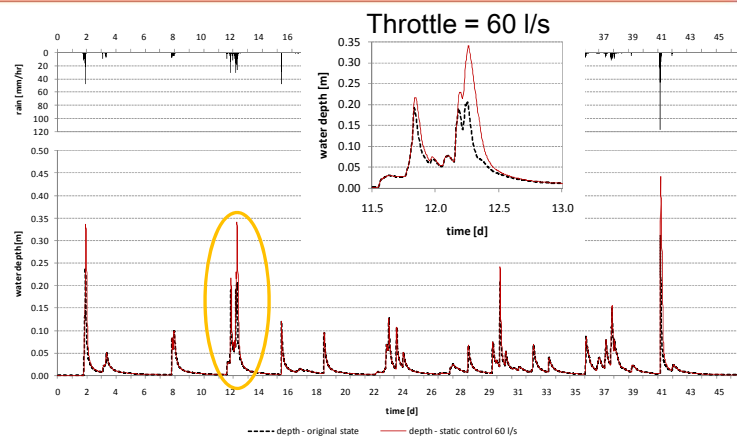
Simulation results

Hydraulic behaviour – static control



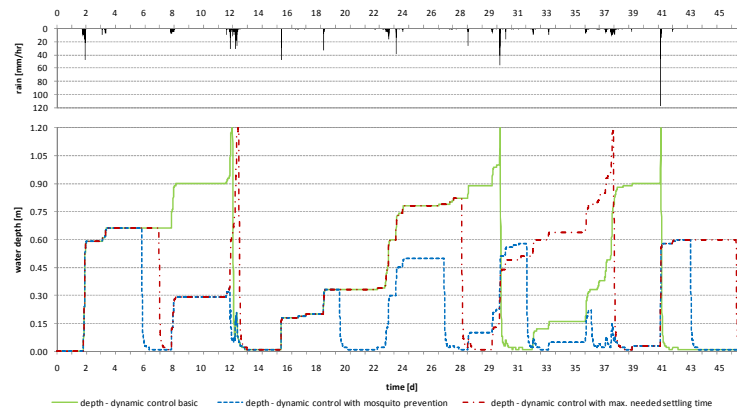
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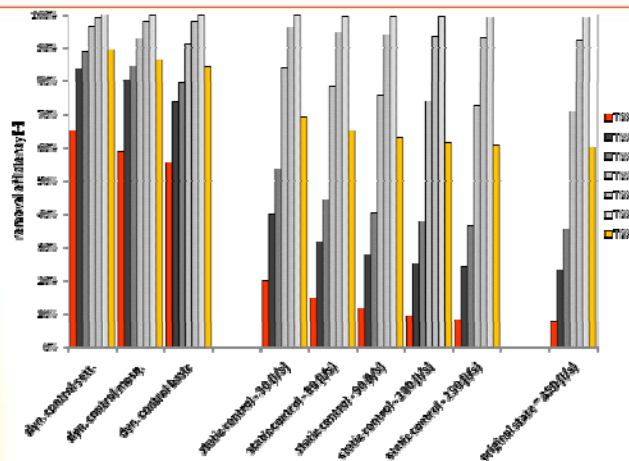
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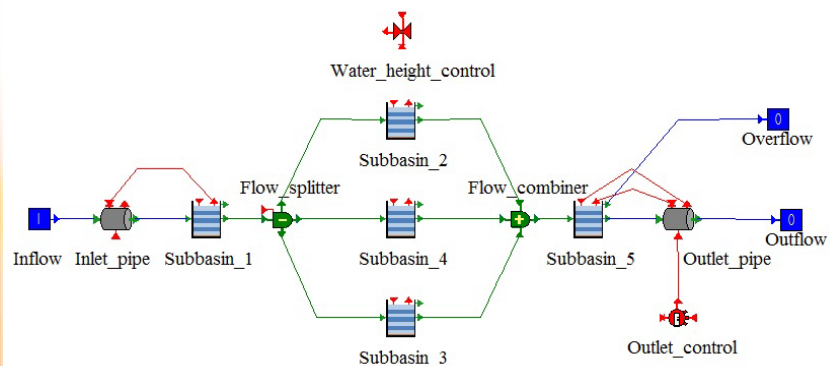
TSS removal efficiency



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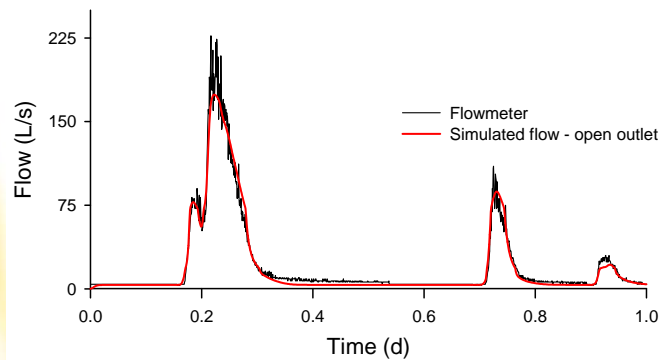
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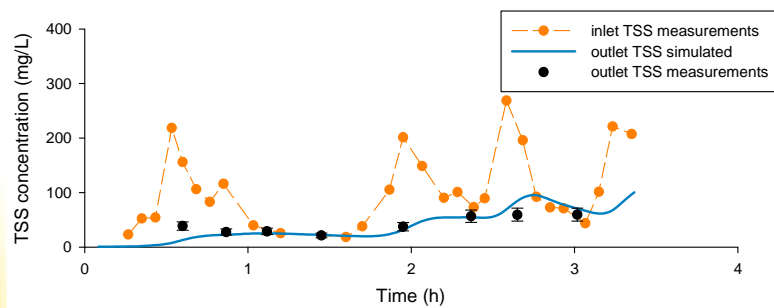
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■ Hydraulics – outlet flow (open outlet)



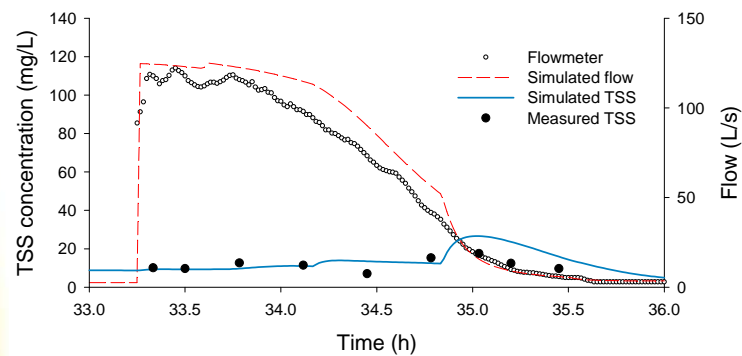
Model – second approach (WEST™)

■ TSS dynamics (inlet – open outlet)



Model – second approach (WEST™)

- TSS dynamics : emptying after closed outlet



Integrated modelling developments

- Make long-term simulations with the calibrated model
- Confirm the effect of control strategies on TSS released in the river
- Determine the best control strategy, not on the TSS removal but on the river water quality improvement

Conclusion

- Integrated modelling is an important tool to consider different options.
- It helps to predict future and to take advised decisions.
- It can be used to test new configuration or use (*rivEAU*).
- It is better with calibrated models but can also be used with default parameters to check ideas

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