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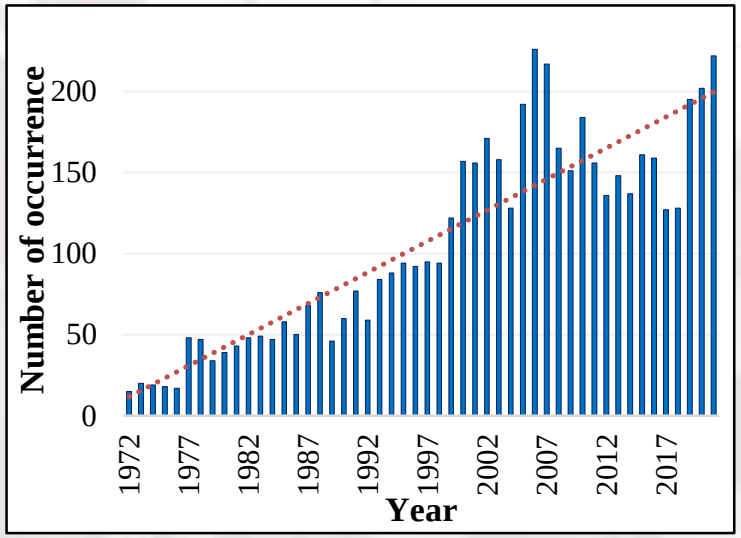
Introduction

In recent 50 years, floods:

- ❖ **1,750 £ billion economy damages**
- ❖ **3.7 billion people are affected**
- ❖ **235,000 people are killed**



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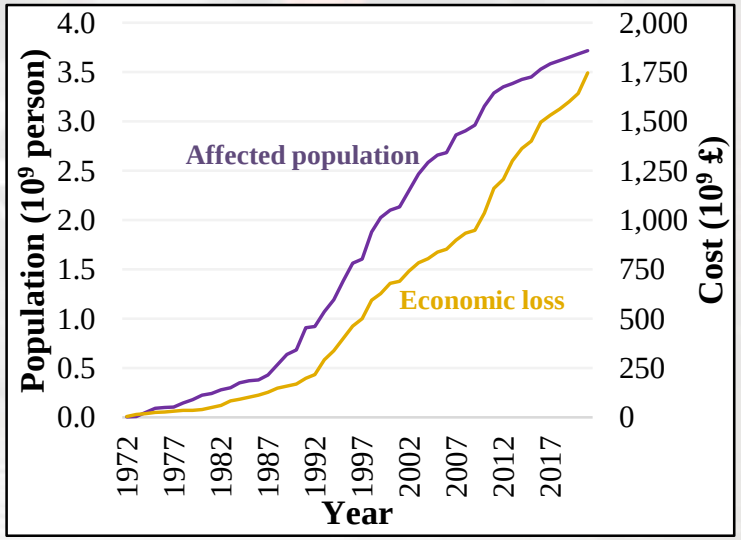

Cumulative social and economic loss

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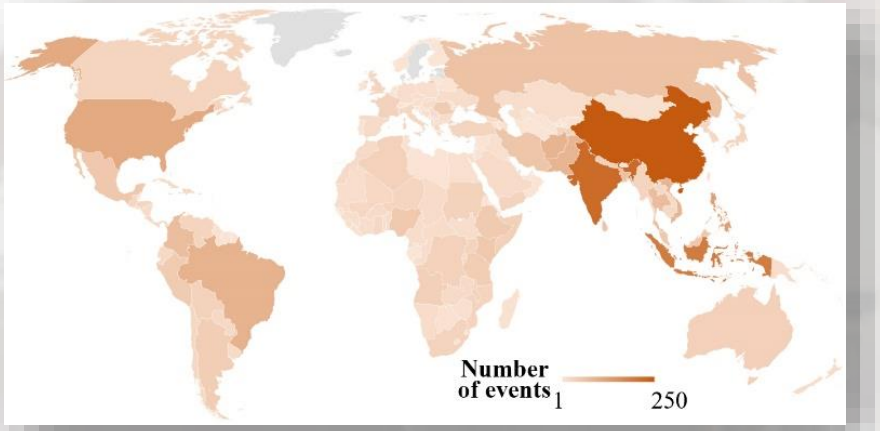

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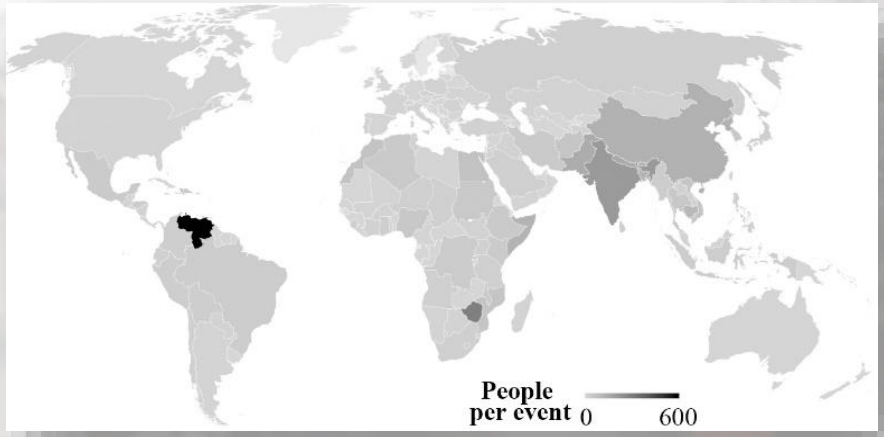

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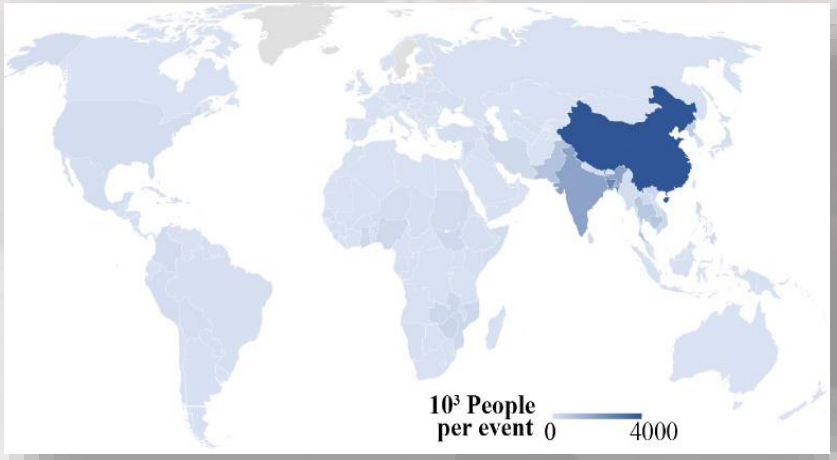

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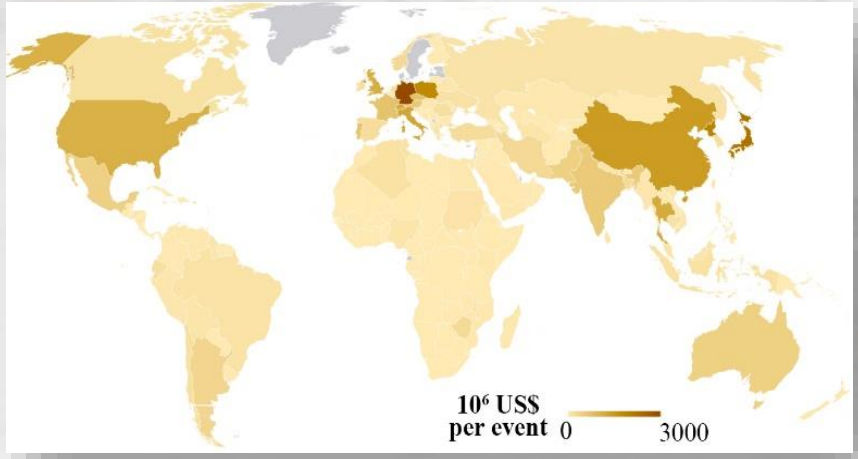

Average economic loss

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Characteristics	Drainage systems	
	Urban areas	Non-urban areas
Flood description	- Overflow of urban drainage infrastructures due to lack of proper drainage in an urban area	- Overflow or rise of water bodies such as rivers, streams, sea level and reservoirs
Flood causalities	- Mainly fast surface runoff generated by rainfall	- Mainly high intensity of rainfall or accumulation of surface runoff
Flood duration	- Between a few minutes to a couple of days	- Part of days to a week
Spatial flood impacts	- Small areas i.e. streets to neighbourhoods, can be extended to all urban areas, but highly distributed	- Large scale such as vulnerable zones, and river riparian zones
Spatial restrictions for flood management	- No flexibility in land surfaces or underground modification as previously occupied. - Fast variation in land use	- High flexibility in non-urban areas
Main types of impacts	- Economic loss and business interruption - Human loss, - Mental and social problems - Urban structure and infrastructure damages	- Soil erosion - Wasting crops and livestock - Natural habitat loss - Water pollution - Reservoir or water infrastructure damages

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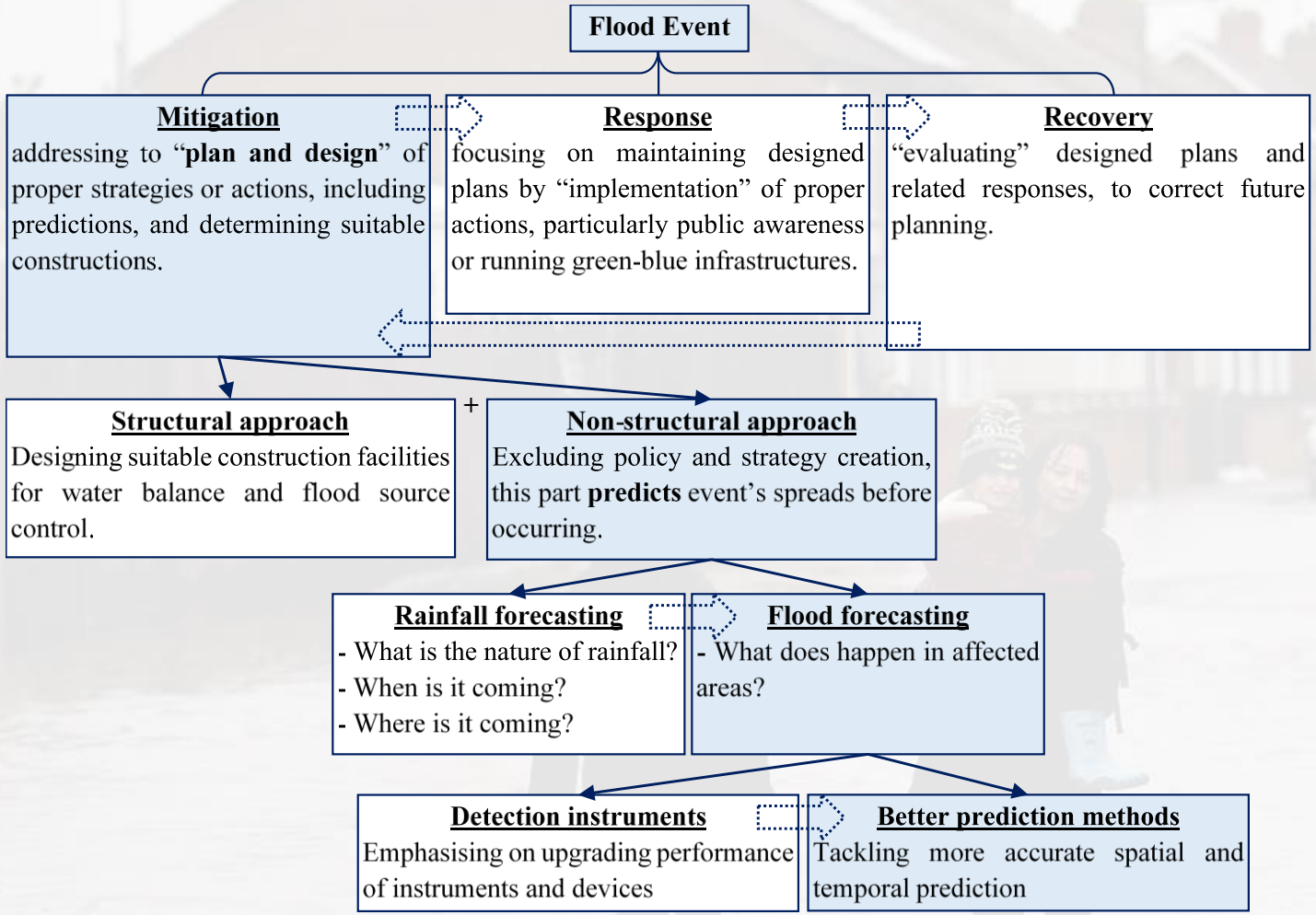

- **Empirical models**
- **Conceptual models**
- **Physical models**

Artificial intelligence-based model

Artificial Neural Network (NN) models

Time-series real-time NN

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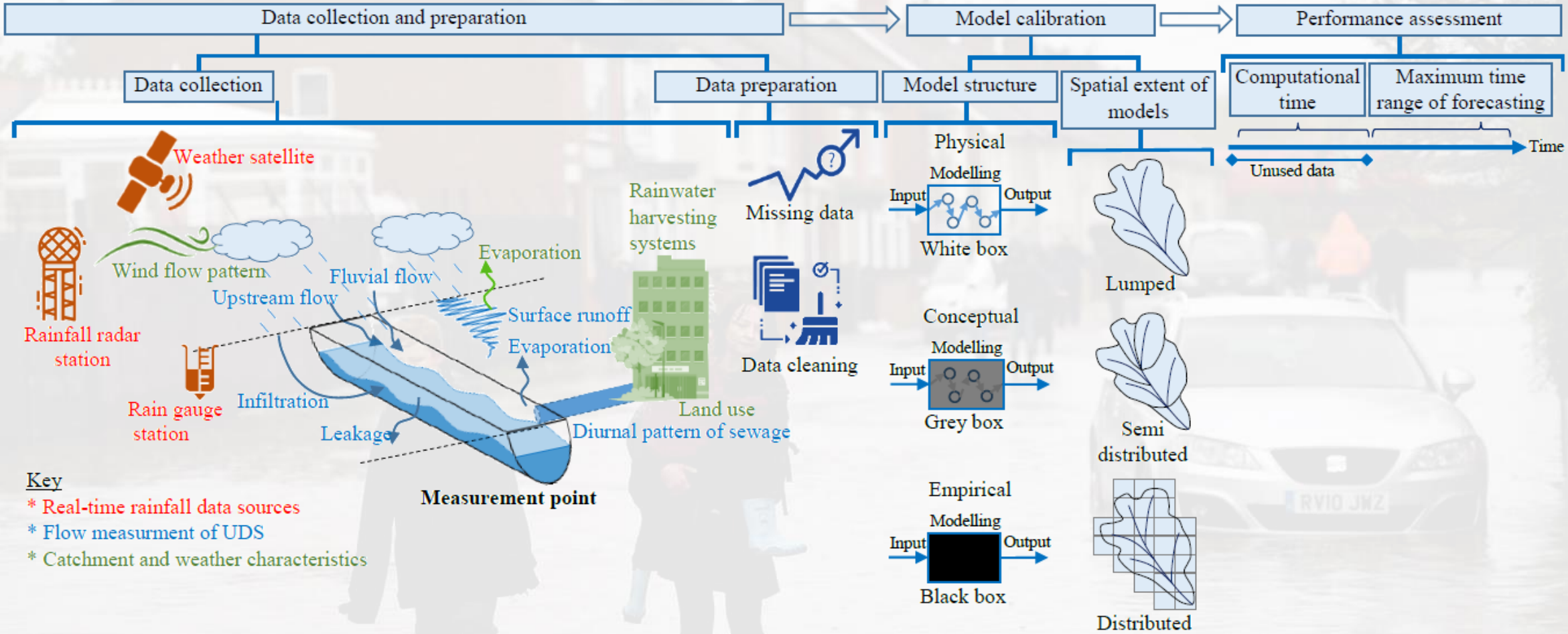

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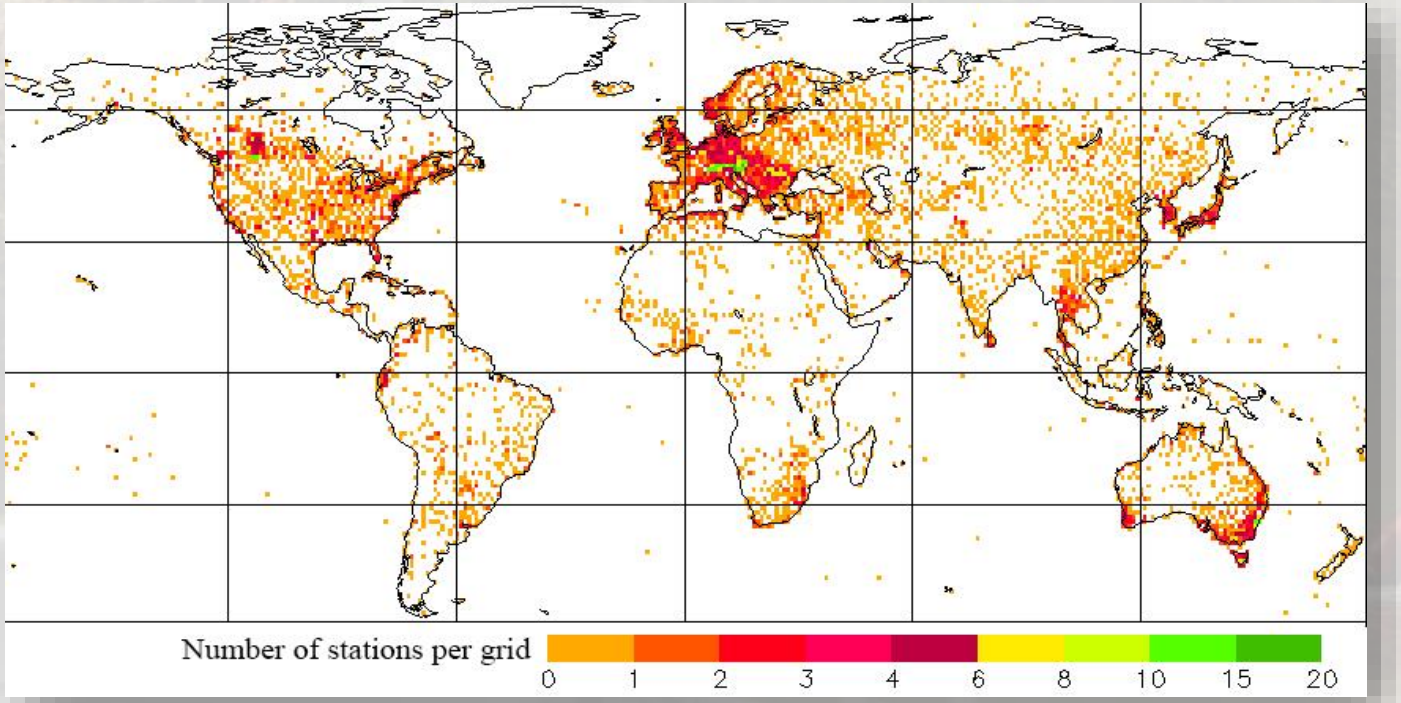
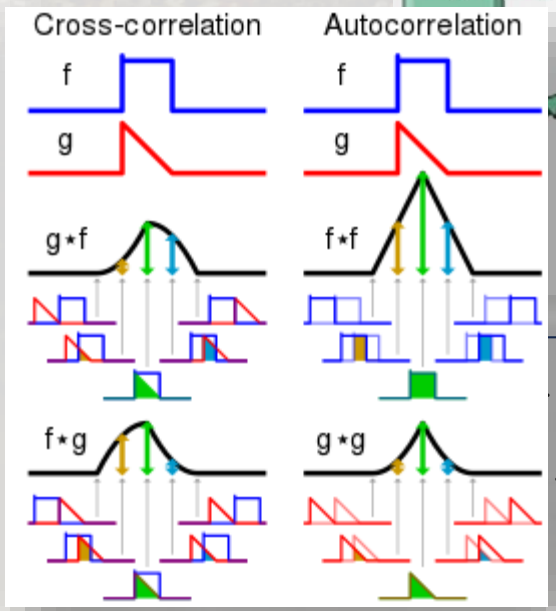
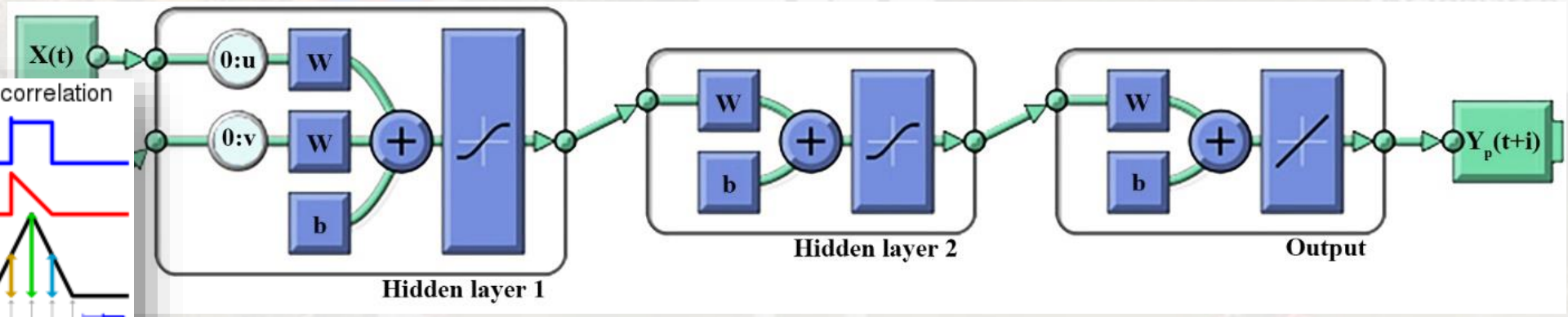


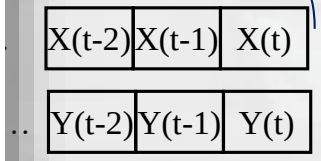
Global distribution of installed rain gauge stations

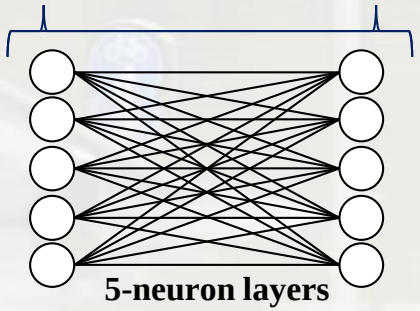
National Centre for Atmospheric Research (NCAR). (2012). *Number of stations used by GPC for May 2012.* [Online]. Available at https://climatedataguide.ucar.edu, [Accessed 8 Jan. 2022].

Recommendation for range of input data: Cross correlation and Cross covariance









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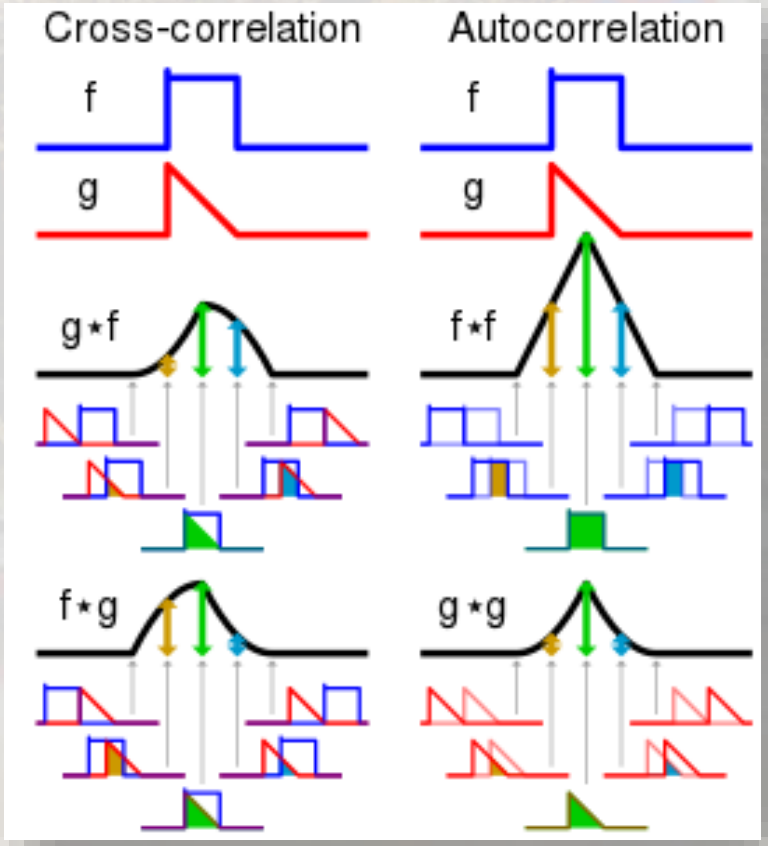
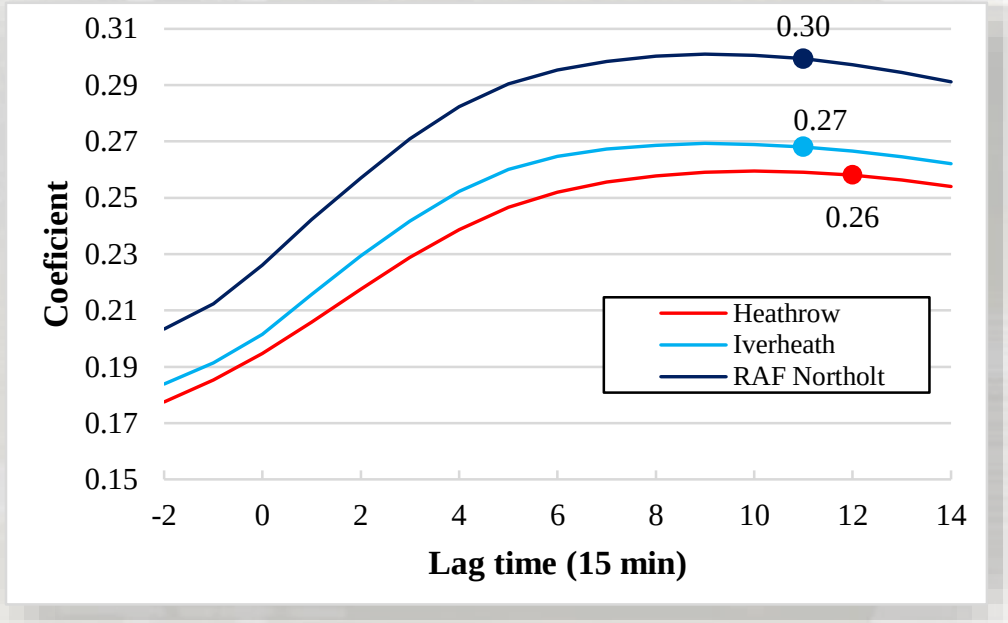
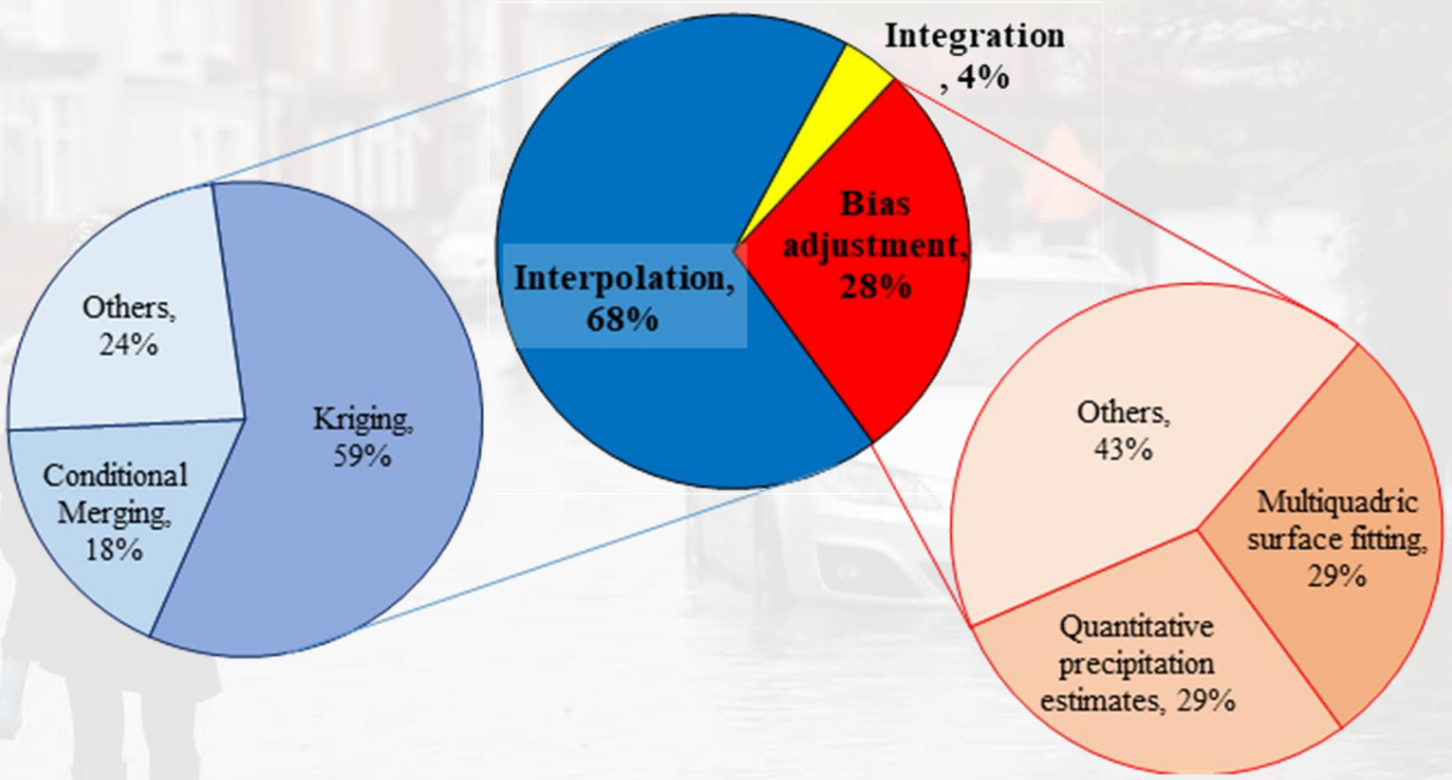




- Integration techniques have more capability to increase the model accuracy than other techniques
- Integration has not much interest due mainly to requirements for :
  - More model complexity
  - More data records
  - Higher computational efforts



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Research question:

- **Which type of data merging is more effective?**
- **How many of data should be add to the time-series model for each iteration?**
- **Recommendations are compatible with optimisation of used range of data?**

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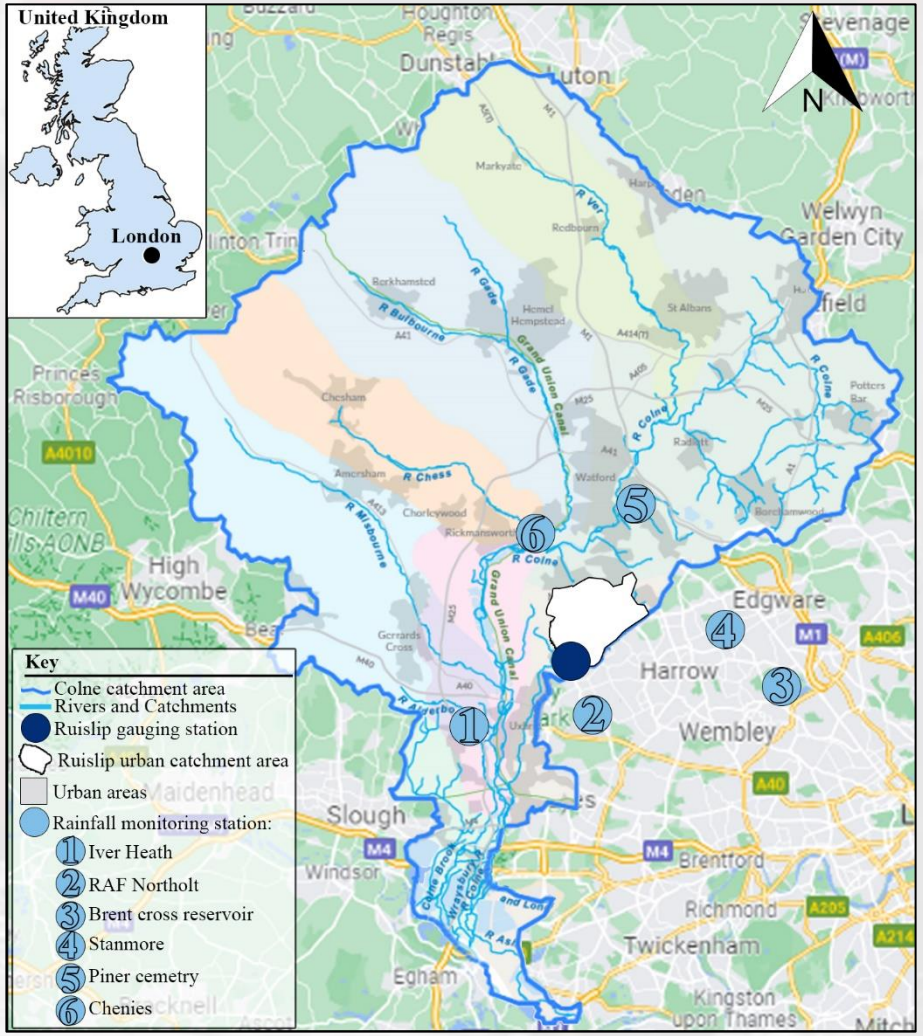
Method and material

❖ *Case study description*



Location of the case study

Inputs:

- **Rainfall data**
- **Water level**

Output: Water level for lead time

Selected model: NARX (The nonlinear autoregressive network with exogenous inputs)

Pre-phase: Testing the model for 4-step ahead:

- **Best correlated rainfall data and water level**
- **Interpolating all rainfall data (Kriging with external draft)**
- **Bias adjustment of best rainfall data with others (Multiquadric fitting)**
- **Integration of all rainfall data**

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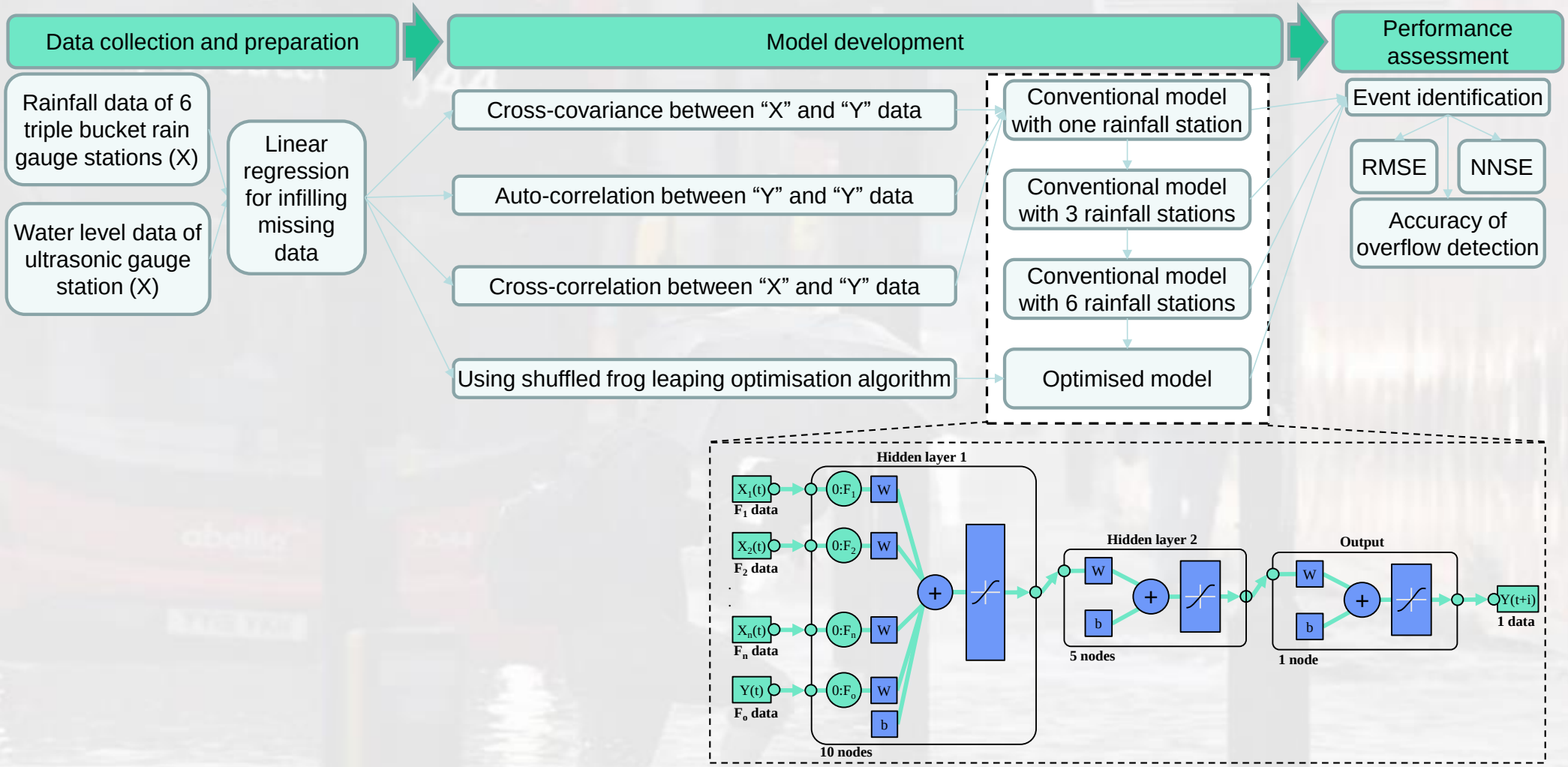
❖ *Method and concept*



All the models were developed on a laptop with Intel i7-6700 HQ CPU @ 2.60GHz and 16 GB RAM Memory

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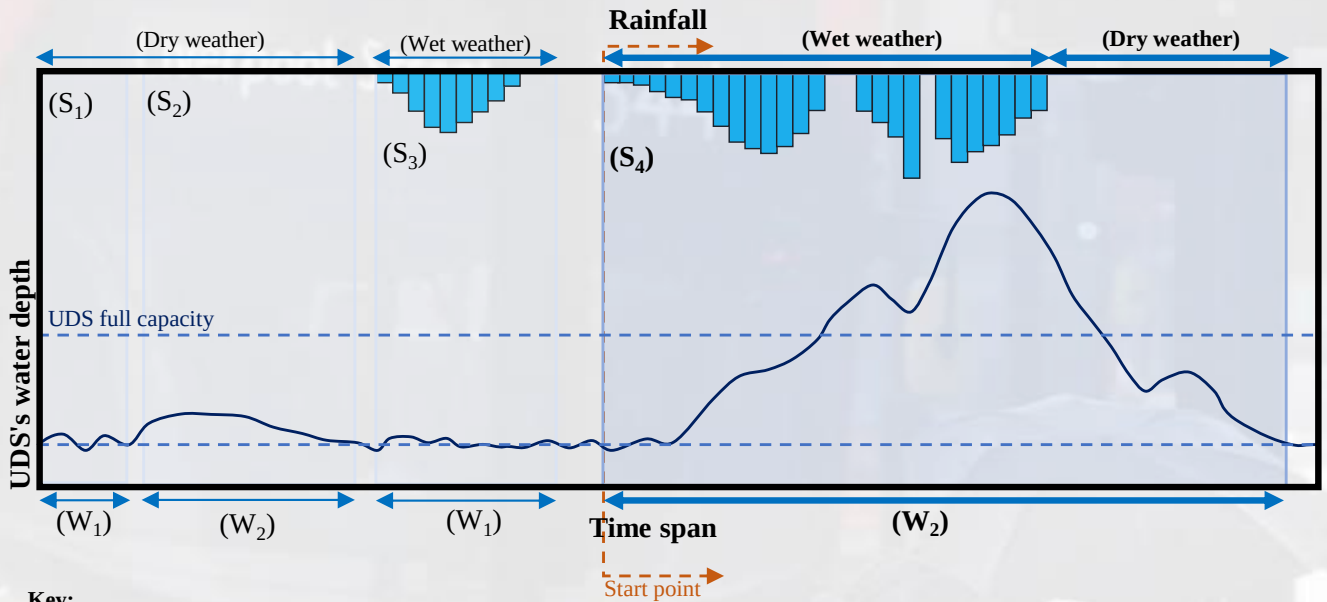
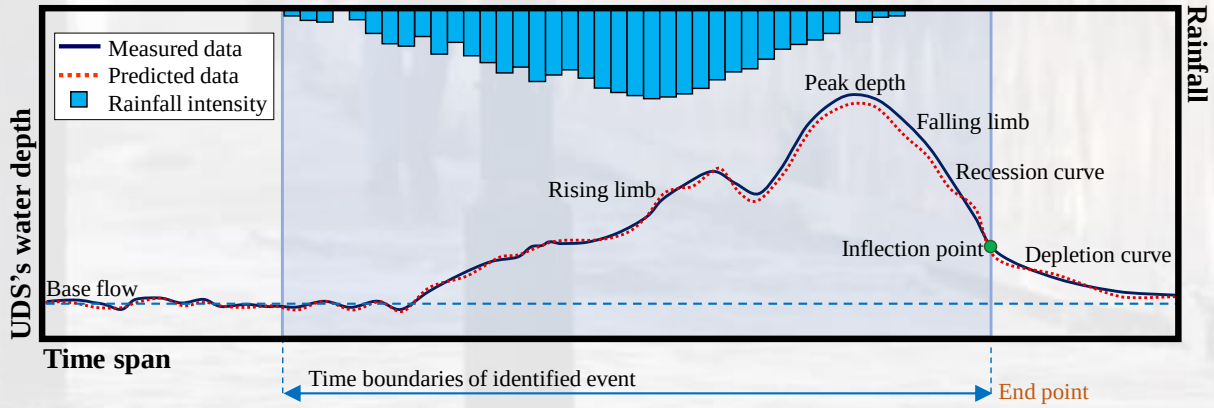
❖ *Typical flood event with temporal boundaries*



Key:

State	Captured data	
	Rainfall intensity	Water depth
(S1): Dry weather, non-flood event	(R_1): -	(W_1): -
(S2): Sudden rising flow, non-flood event	(R_1): -	(W_2): +
(S3): Ineffective precipitation, non-flood event	(R_2): +	(W_1): -
(S4): Flood event	(R_2): +	(W_2): +

-: No rainfall, no change for water depth
+: Rainfall, net change (increase or decrease) for water depth



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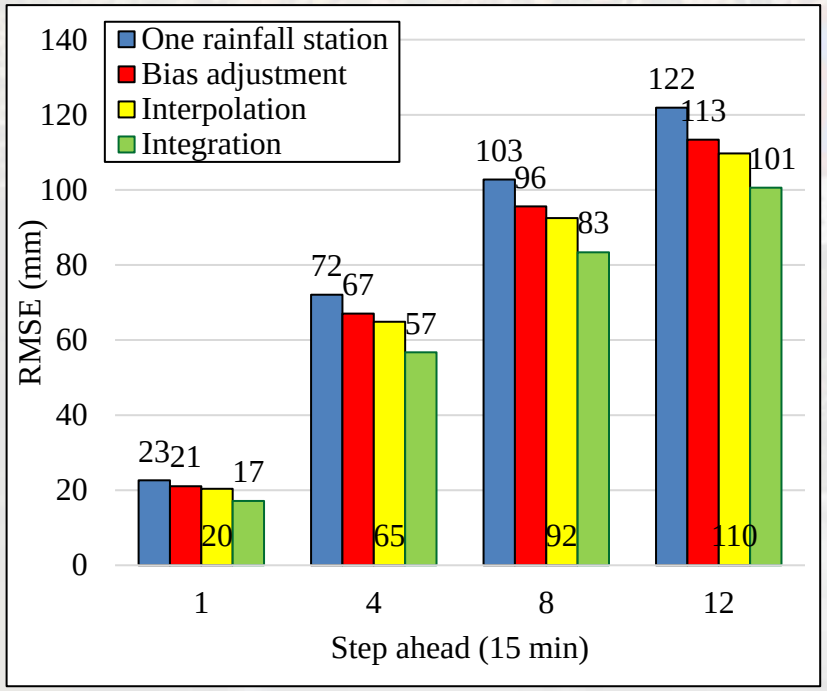
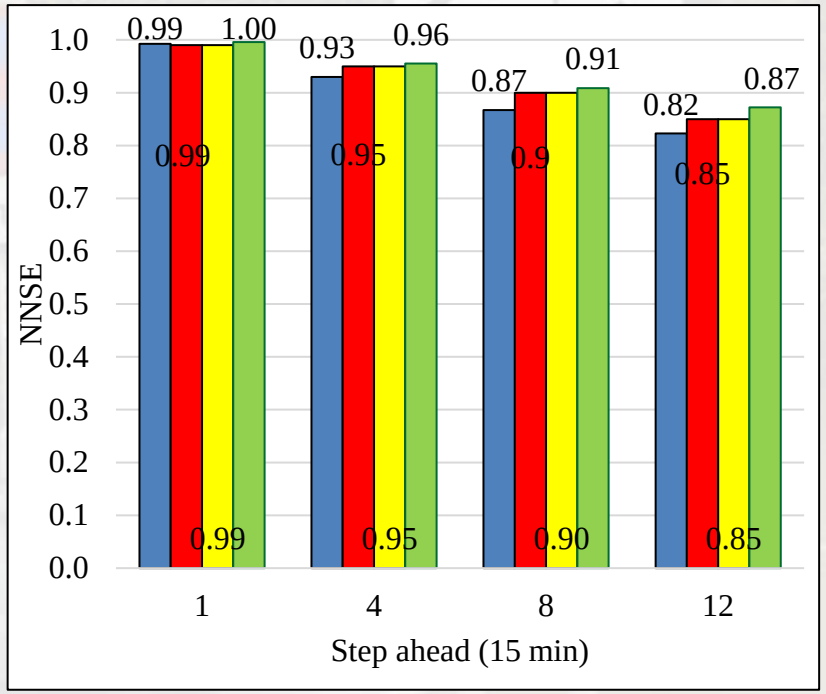
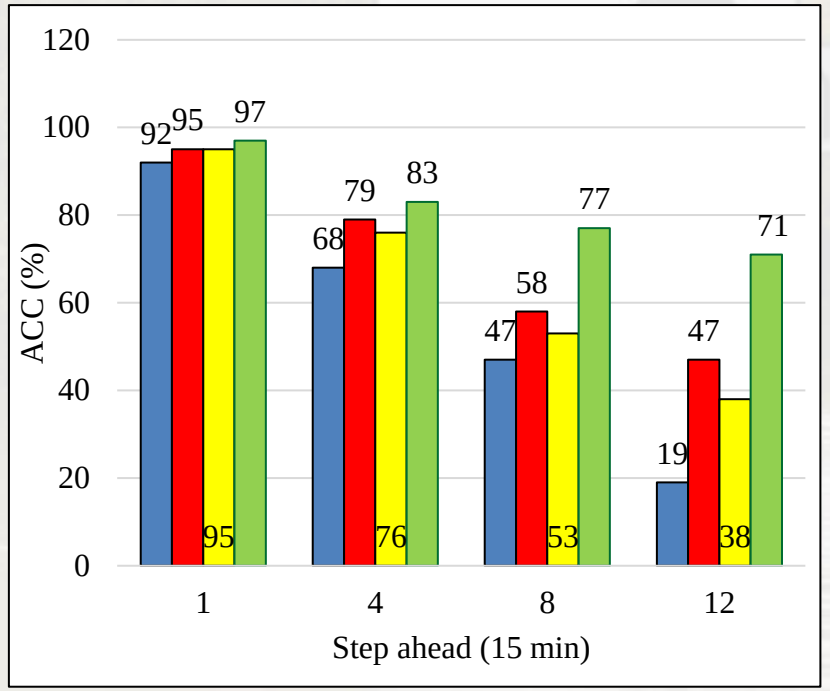
Results and discussion

❖ *Pre-phase analysis*







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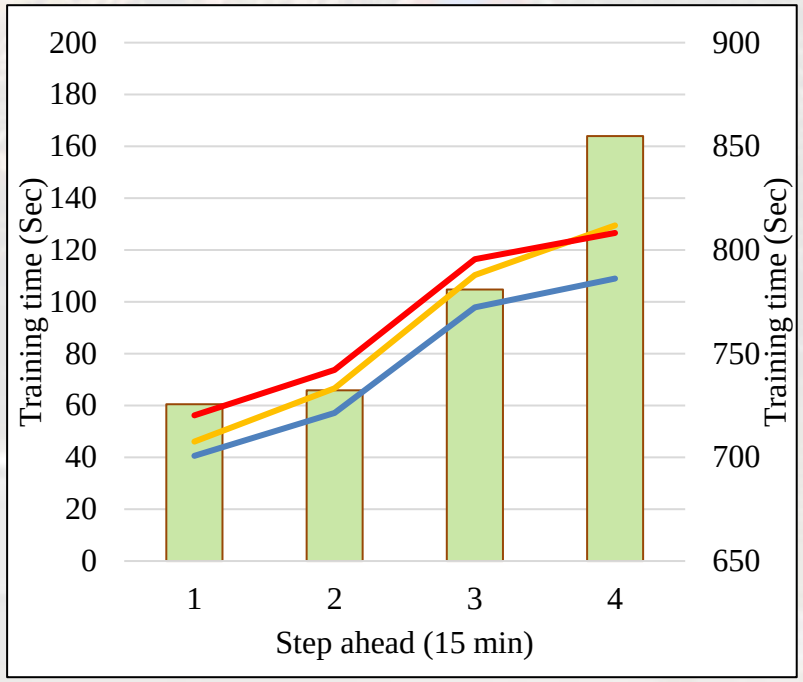

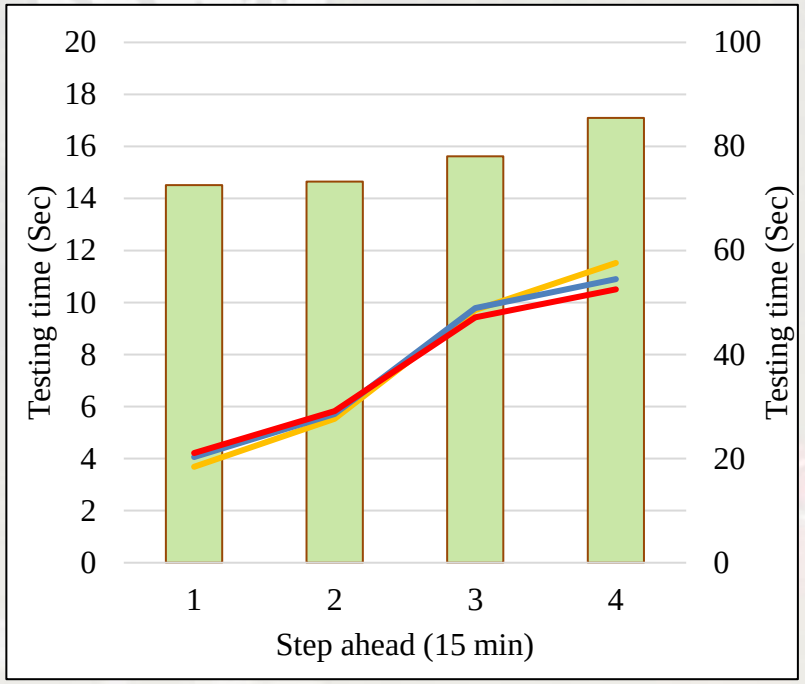

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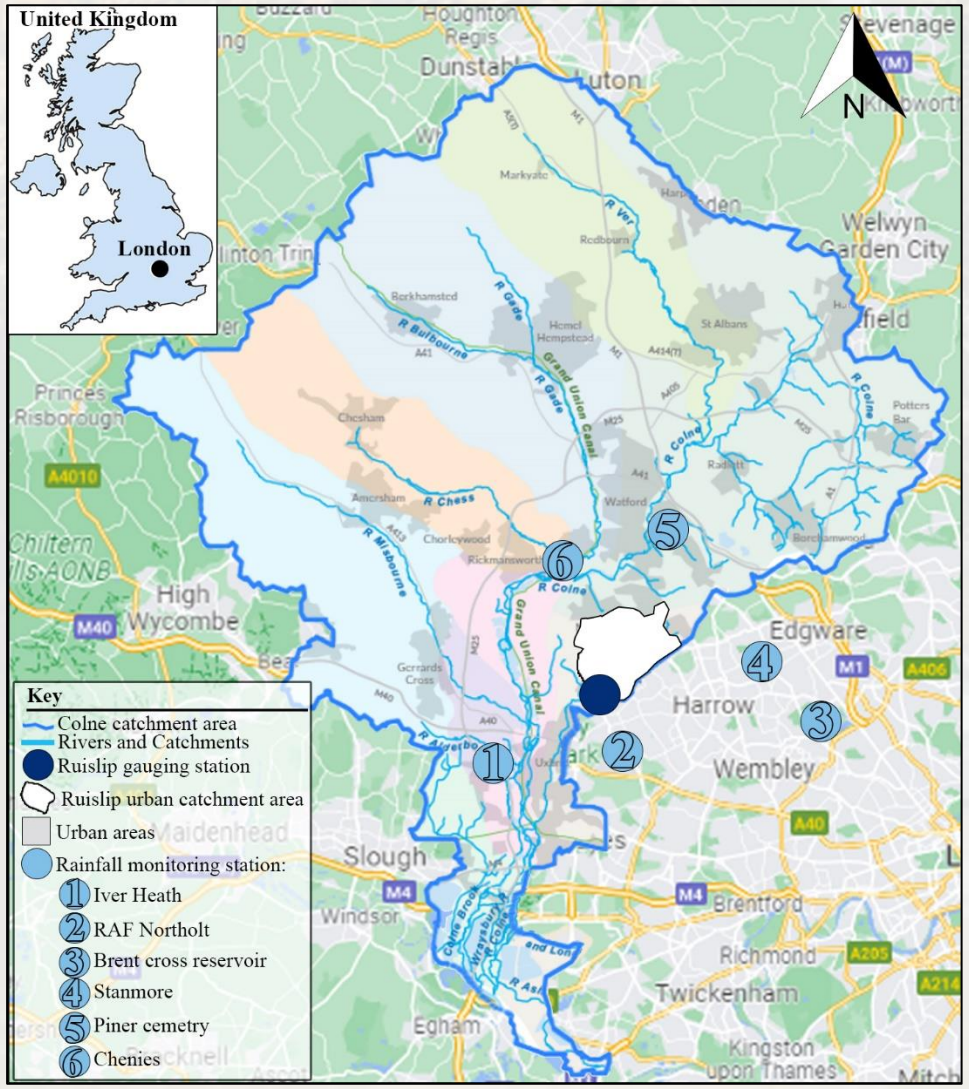

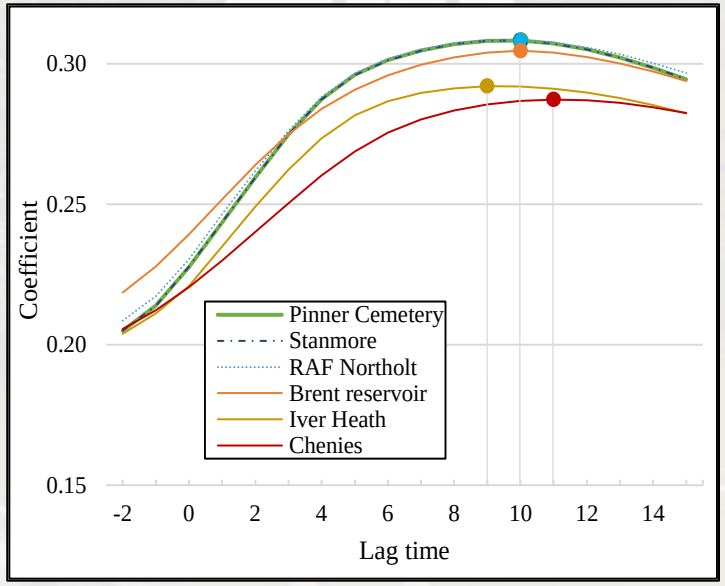

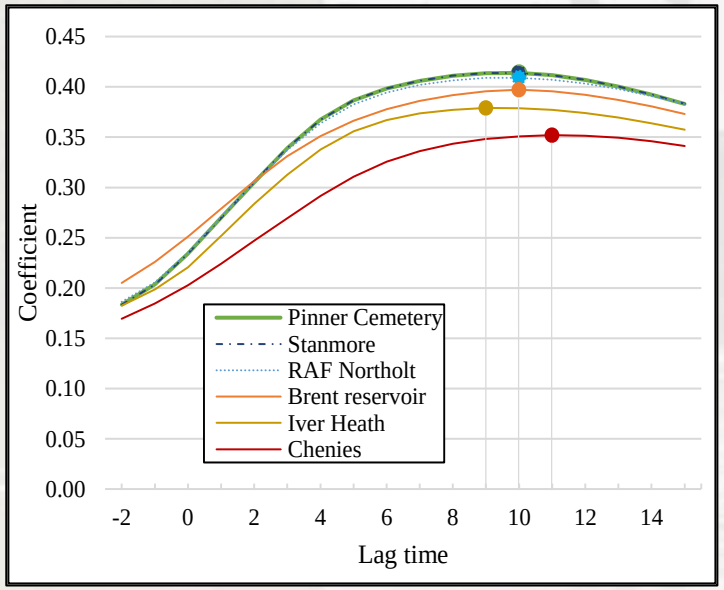

Data relationship between different selected rainfall stations and water level
(Left): Cross-correlation
(Right): Cross-covariance

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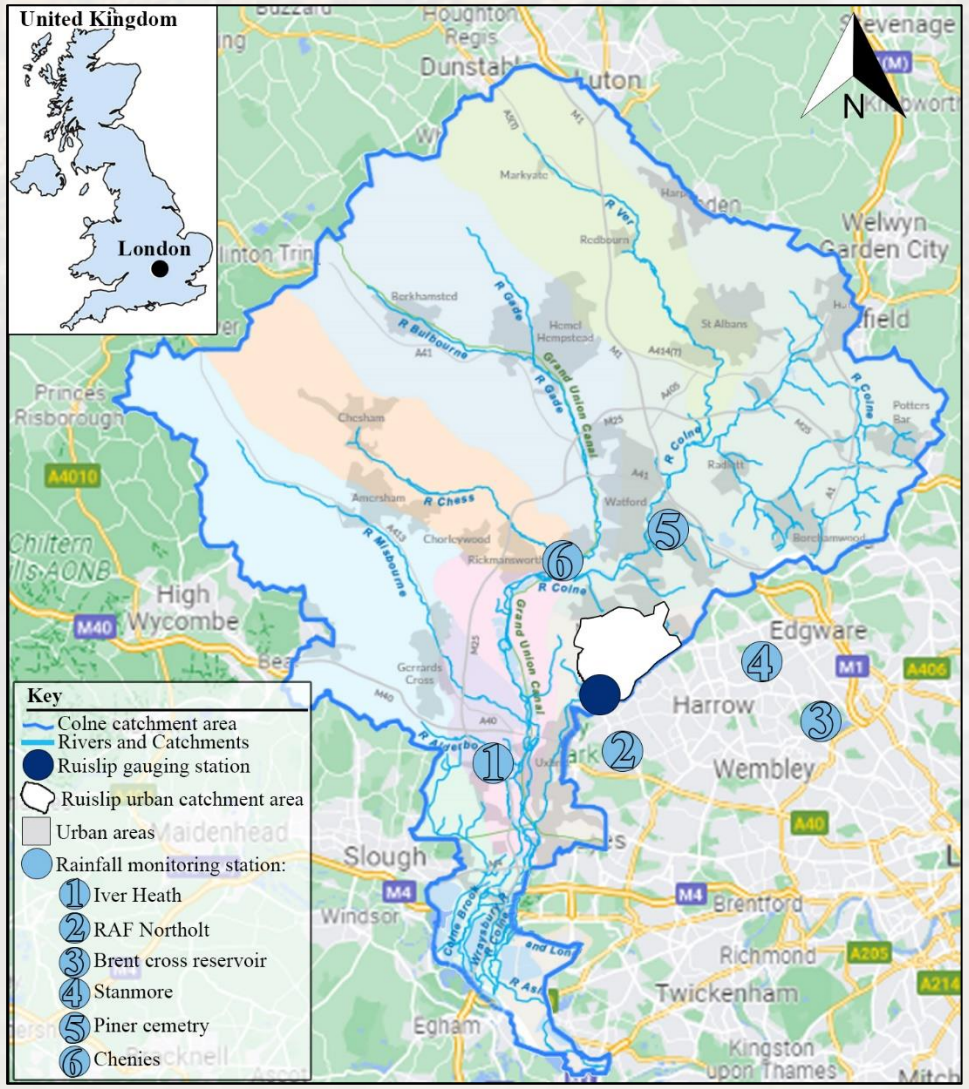

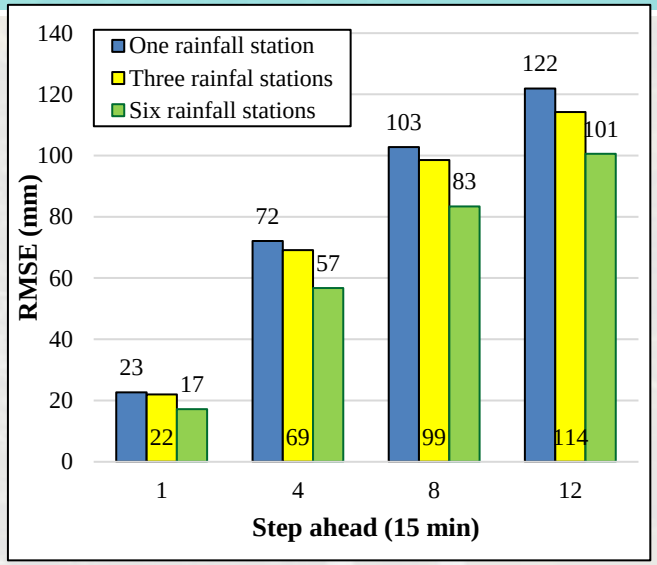

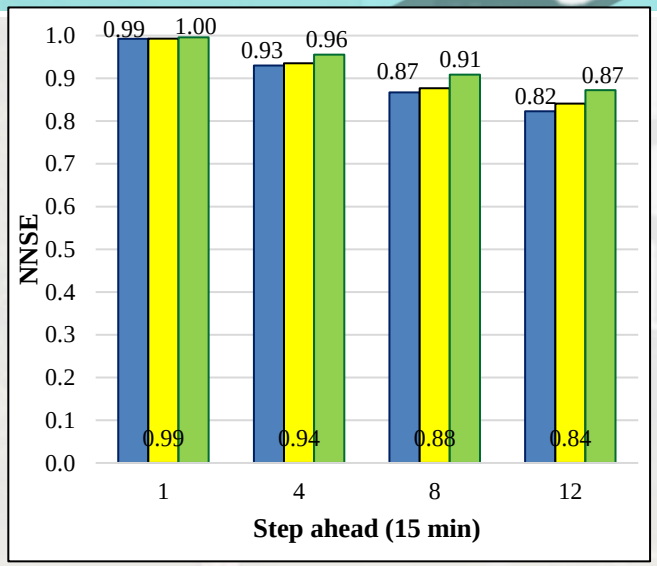

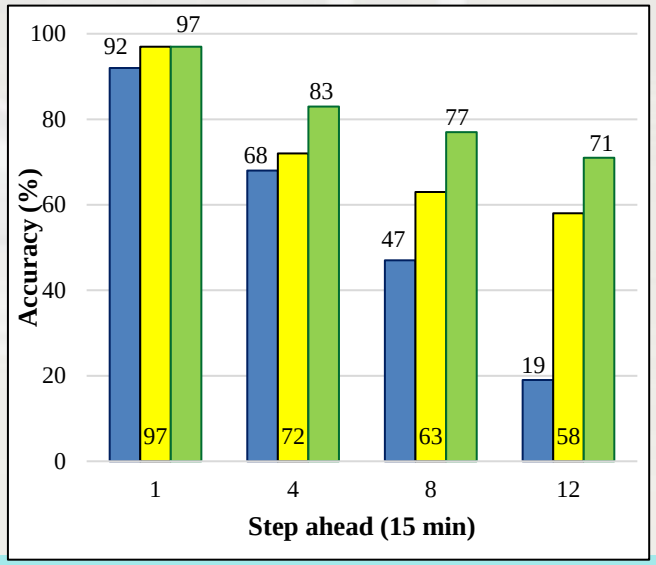

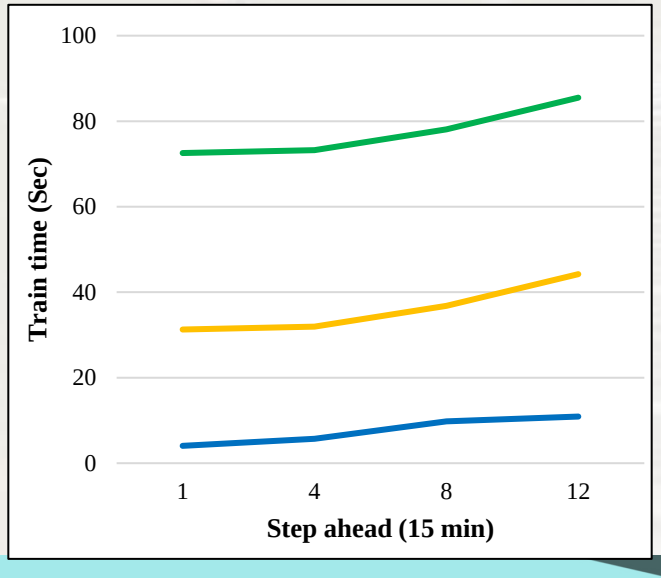

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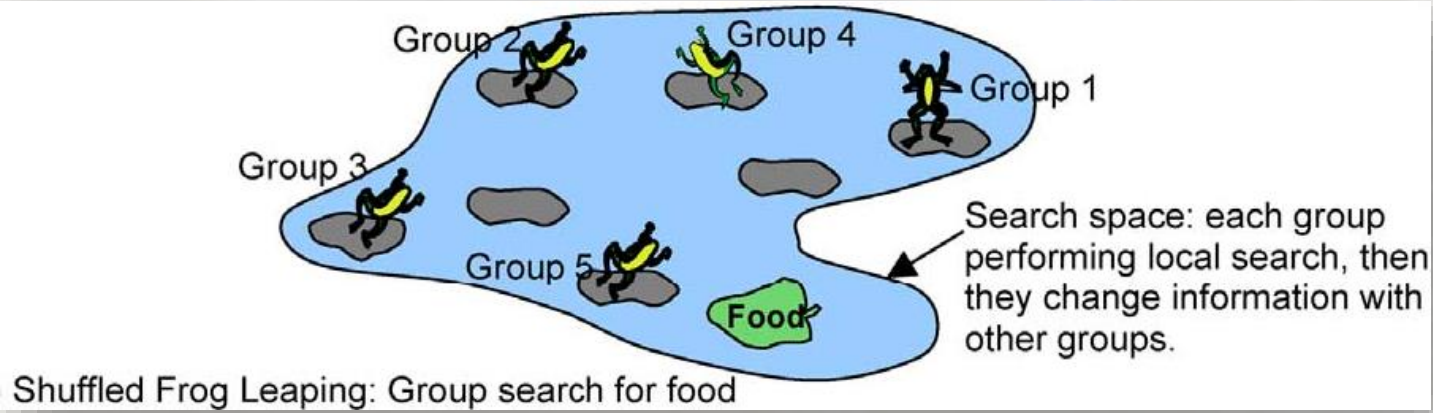
❖ *Optimisation analysis*

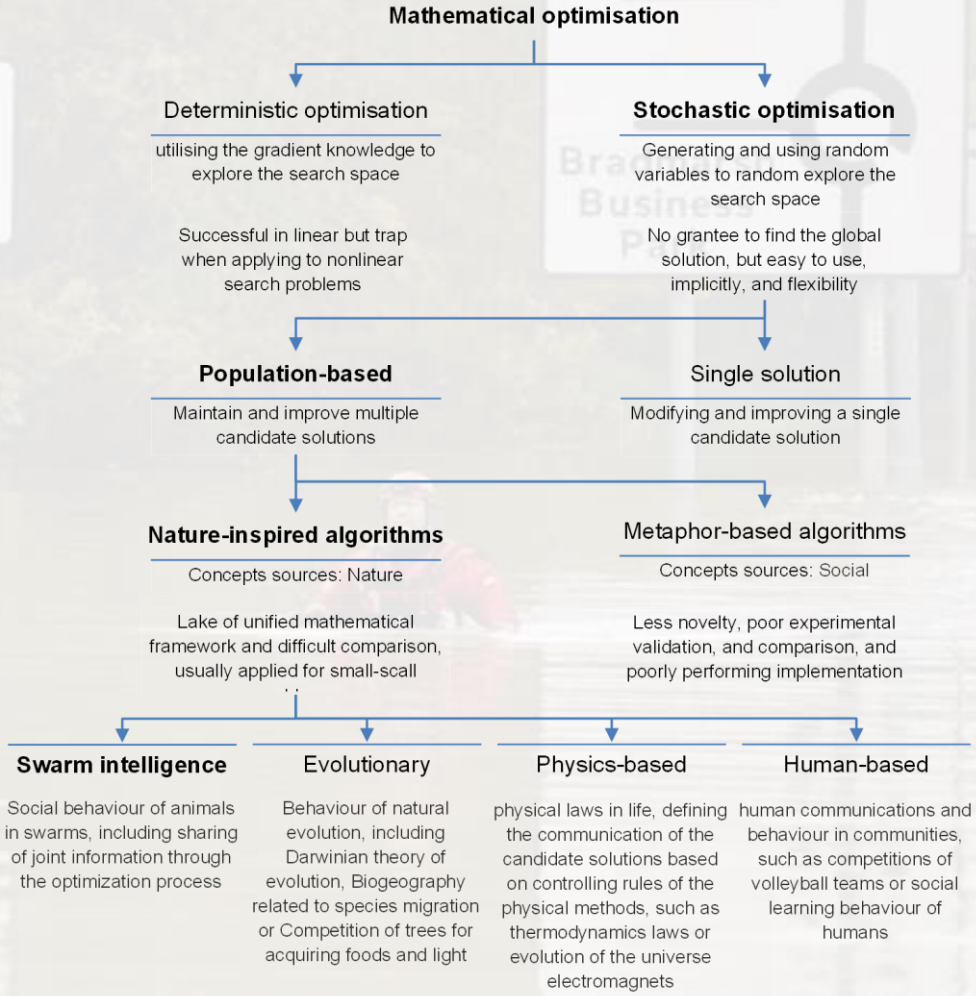
Selected optimisation algorithm: Shuffled frog-leaping algorithm (SFLA)

Decision variables: Range of time-series input data

Each trial: 4 shuffle sample for exploration step
4 shuffle sample for exploitation step

Objectives: RMSE, NSE, and ACC enhancement
Stopping criteria: Improvement less than 0.01%





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1	7	7	3	4	8	8	6
2	4	5	9	10	2	11	3
3	4	4	4	9	5	7	2
4	3	3	9	8	5	4	8
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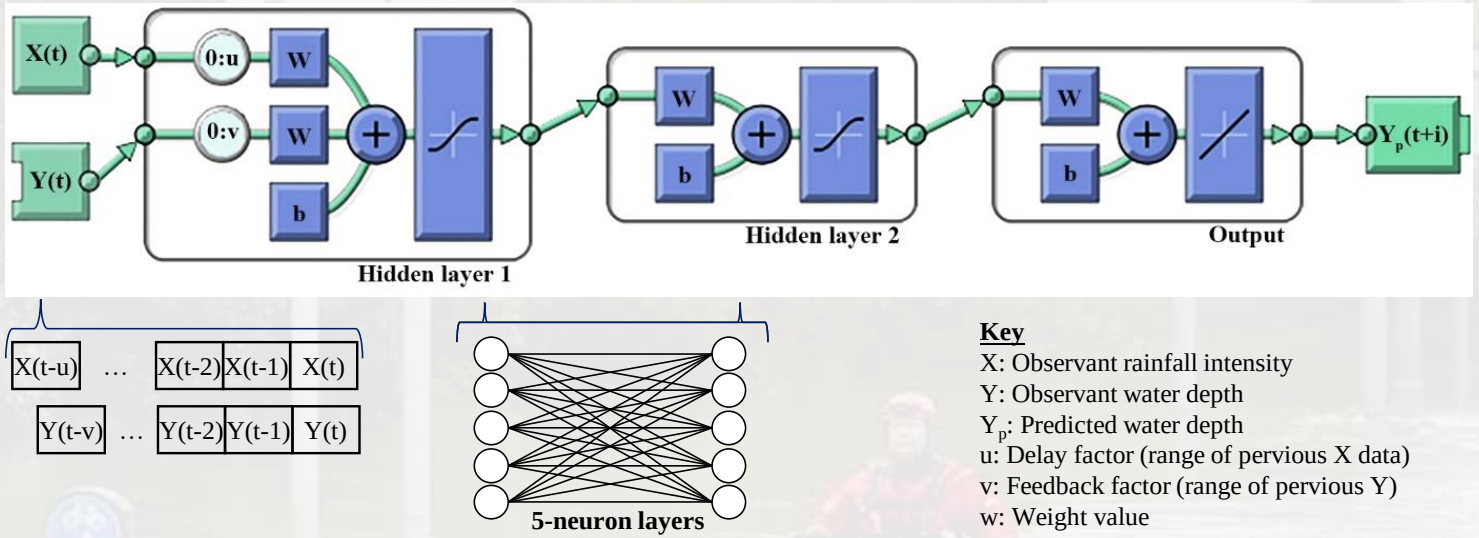

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10 × 10 × 10 × 10 ×10 × 10 × 11 × 10 × 15 (min) = 314 Years !!!!!!

10 × 8 × 15 (min) = 20 Hrs

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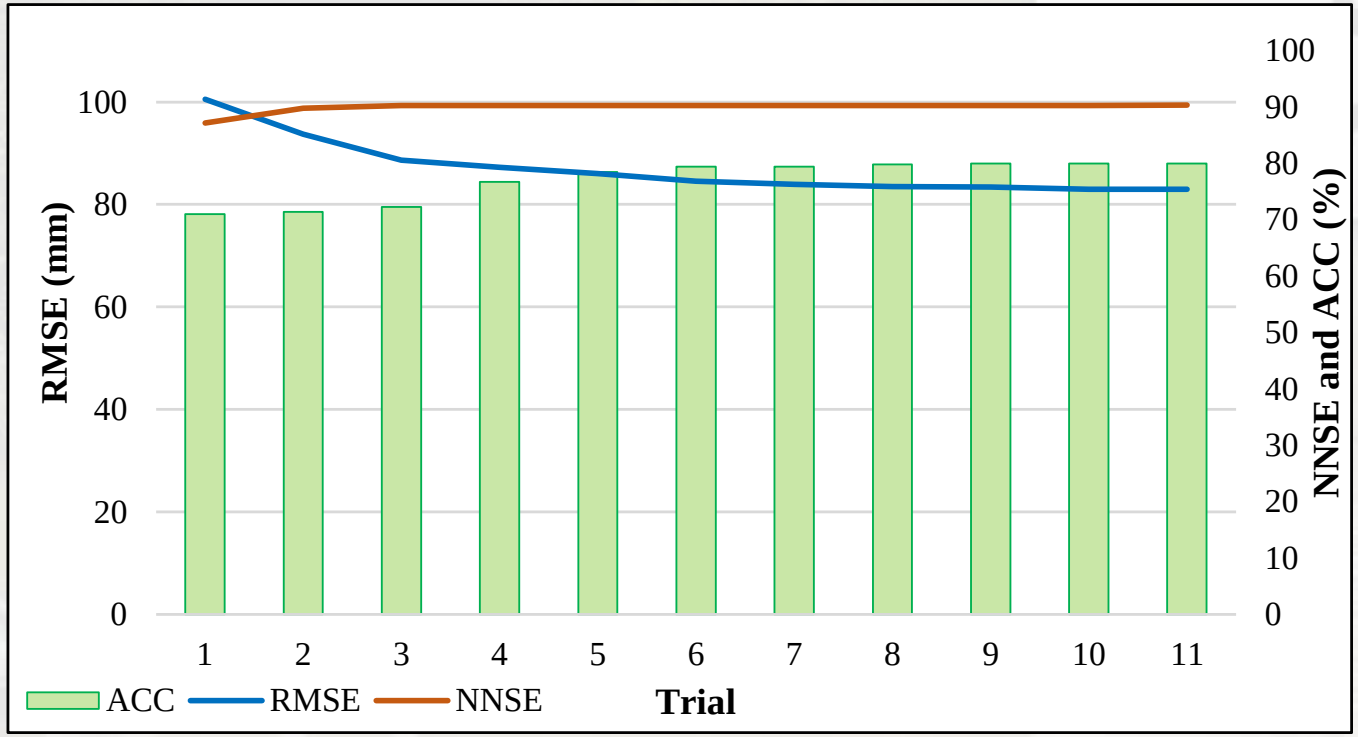

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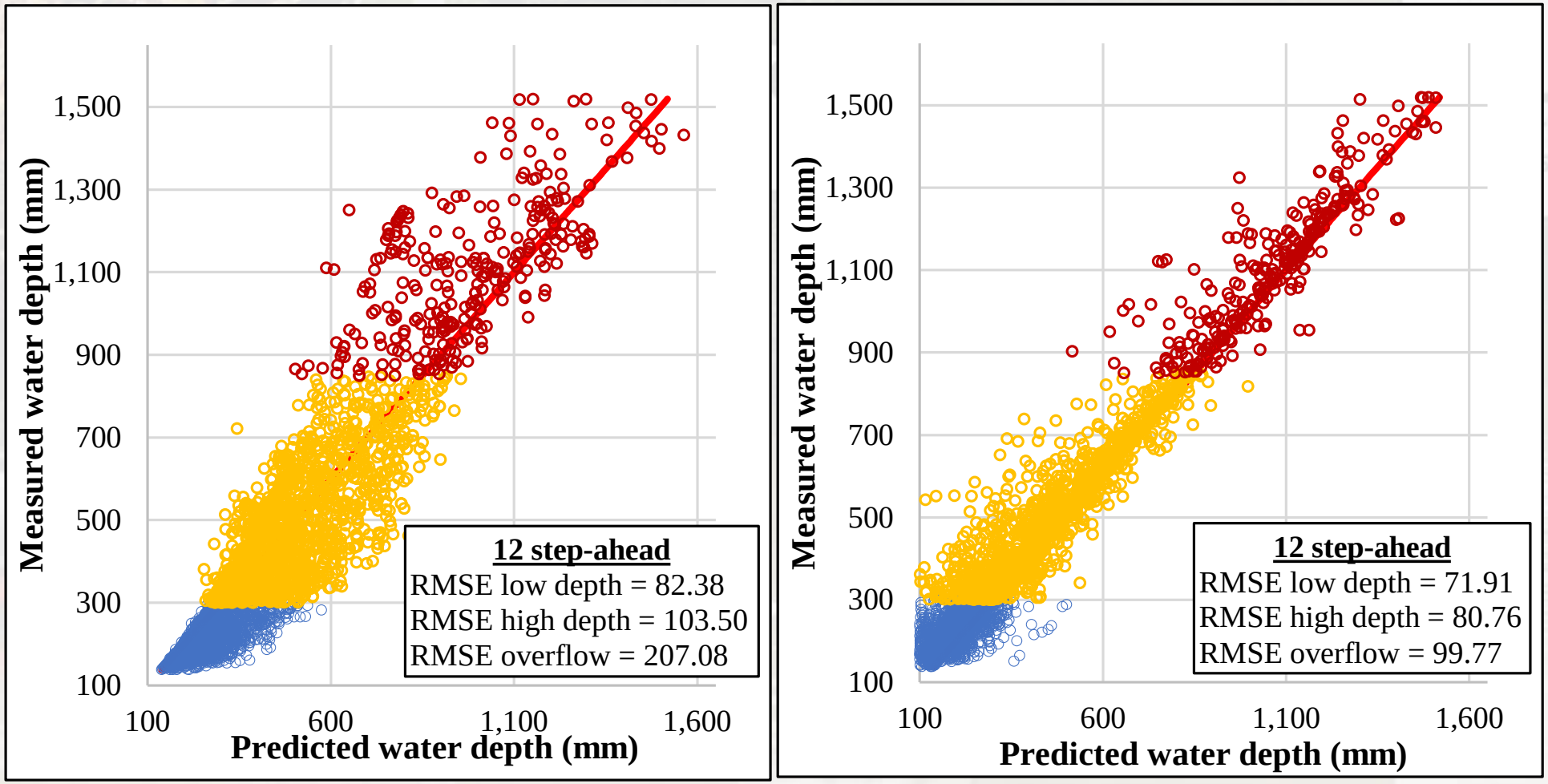

Model performance of (Left) Best conventional model, (Right) Optimised model

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Conclusion

01 **Merging method**

Integration is more effective but time consuming

02 **Integrated method**

Regardless of rainfall correlation, increasing input data causes outperformance

03 **Input selection**

Optimisation result is not compatible with conventional approach

Thank You For Your Attention