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# Density dependent groundwater flow in the coastal zone

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Lecture set-up:

- PowerPoint sheets
- Lecture Notes
- Practicals numerical modelling

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Introduction

## Curriculum Vitae

- Delft University of Technology, Civil Engineering: till 1997  
Ph.D.-thesis: Impact of sea level rise on groundwater flow regimes
- Utrecht University, Earth Sciences: till 2002
- Free University of Amsterdam, Earth Sciences: till 2004
- Deltares
- Utrecht University (Associate Professor): from 2014

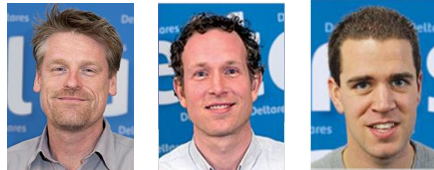
### Qualifications:

- Groundwater resources management
- Density-dependent groundwater flow and coupled solute transport
- Salt water intrusion in coastal aquifers
- Assessment of climate change on groundwater resources
- Numerical Modeling
- Teaching and training

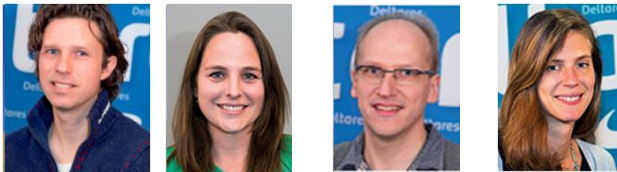
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## Colleagues at Deltares Groundwater in the Coastal Zone

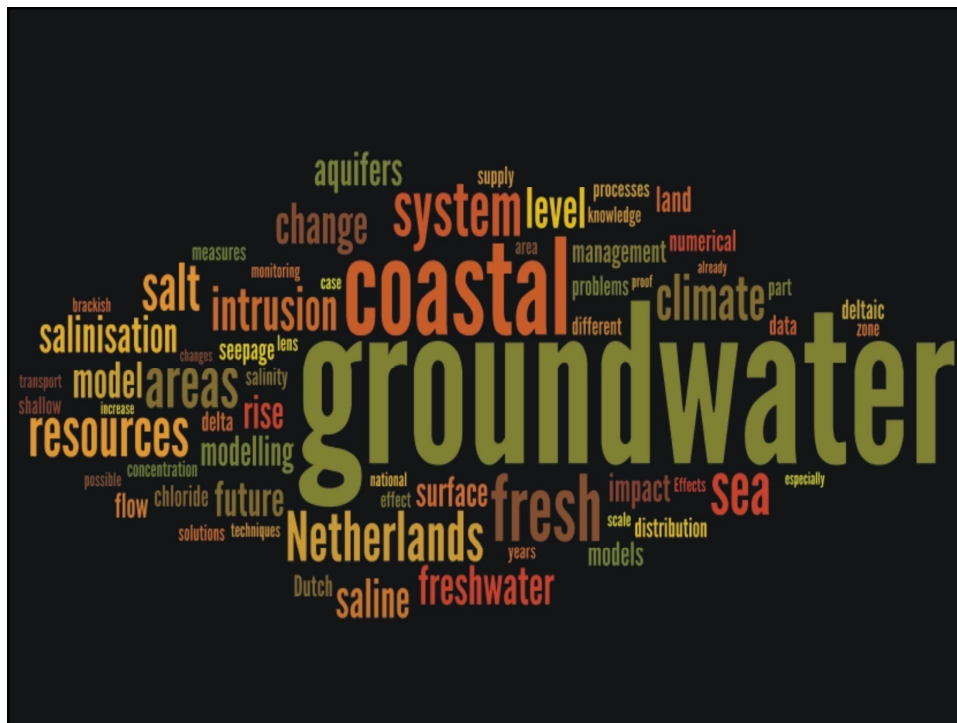
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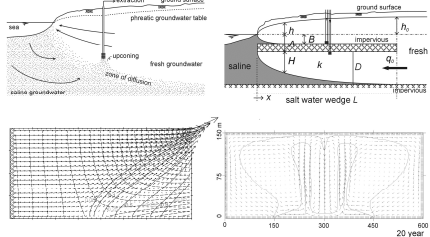
## Research on groundwater in the coastal zone

- 18 years experience in modelling variable-density dependent groundwater flow and coupled solute transport in the coastal zone
- Incorporating monitoring campaigns results in numerical modeling tools
- Research on new fresh-saline phenomena: salty seepage boils and shallow freshwater lenses in saline environments
- Knowledge on creating 3D initial chloride distribution, based on geostatistics and geophysical data (analyses, VES, borehole measures, AEM)
- Quantifying effects of climate change and sea level rise on fresh groundwater resources
- Developing adaptive and mitigative measures to stop salinization in the coastal groundwater system (e.g. ASR, MAR: fresh keeper, coastal collectors, freshwater storage underground)

## Lecture notes, practicals and ppt on freshsalt.deltares.nl

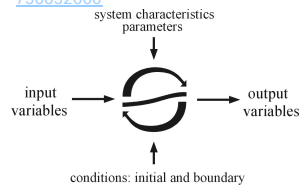
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### 2. Groundwater modelling

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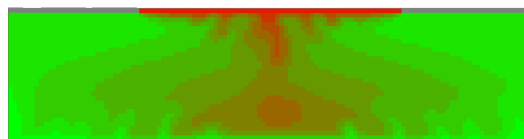
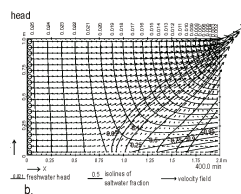
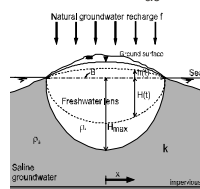
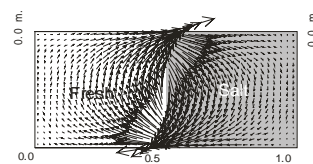
- PMWIN
- SEAWAT
- Cases:
  - Rotating sharp interface
  - Freshwater lens
  - Henry's case
  - (Elder's case)
- Setup practicals:
  - work in small groups of two persons
  - short report of findings (make screenshots)
  - deliver within one week after finish last lectures

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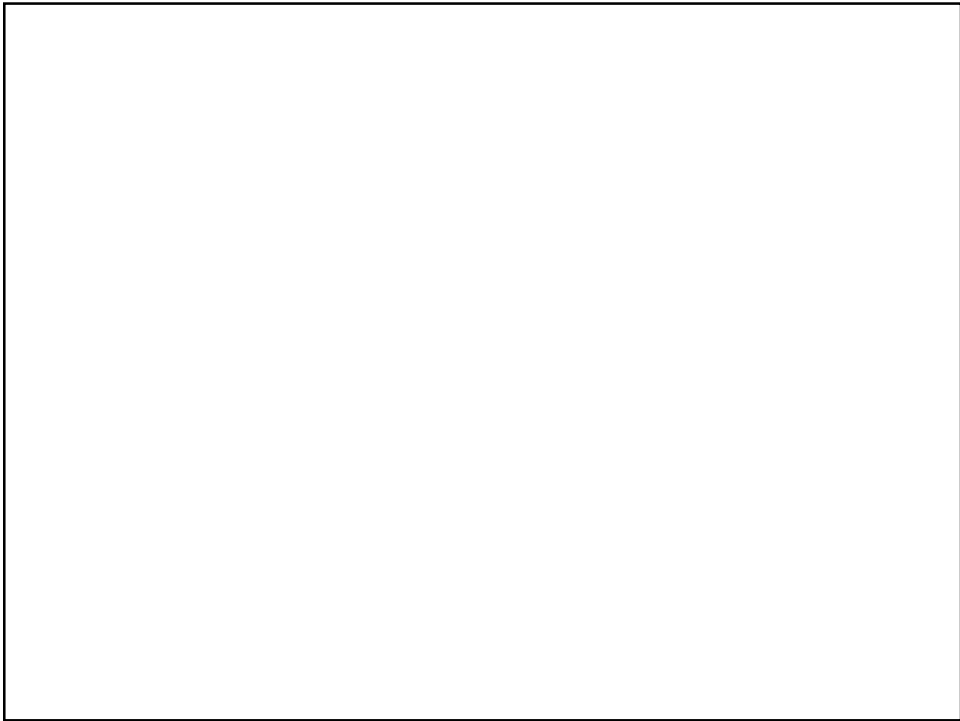
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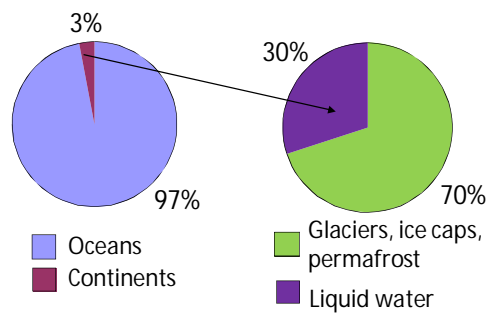
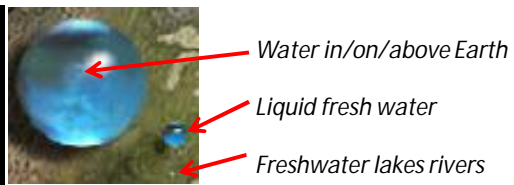
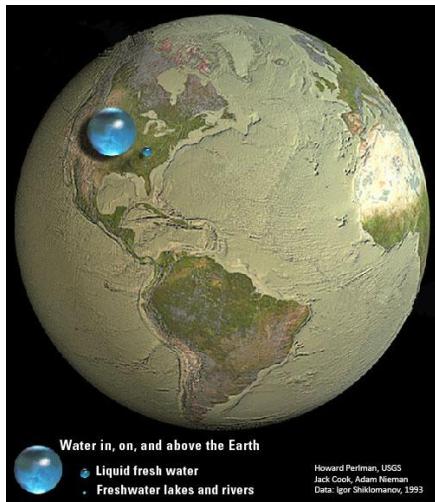
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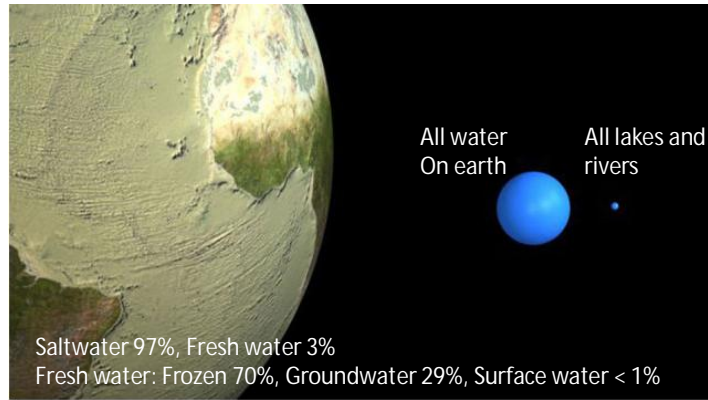
## Volumes of water on Earth: a scarce product



Source: Perlman, USGS; Shiklomanov, 1993

Water Energy Food Nexus  
Global water scarcity

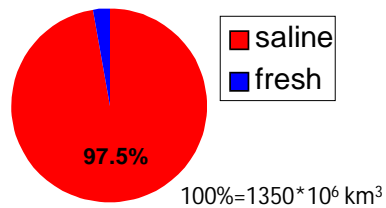
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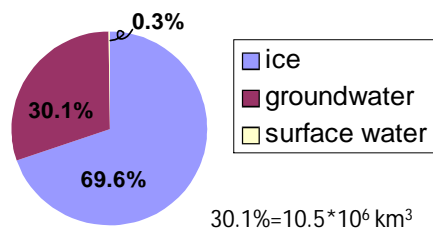
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## Water on Earth

Total water on Earth



Total fresh water on Earth

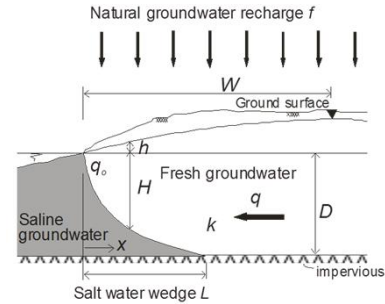
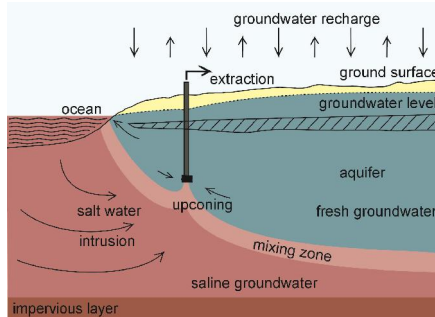


Demand for groundwater (now 30%) increases due to:

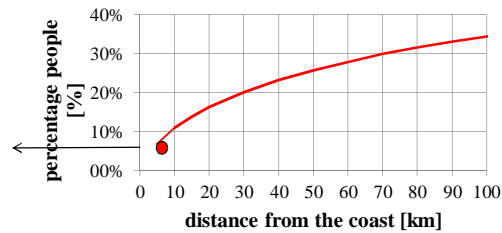
- increase world population & economical growth
- loss of surface water due to contamination
- great resource: available in large quantities
- still unpolluted (relative to surface water)

(Source: Cheng, 1998)

## Groundwater in the coastal zone



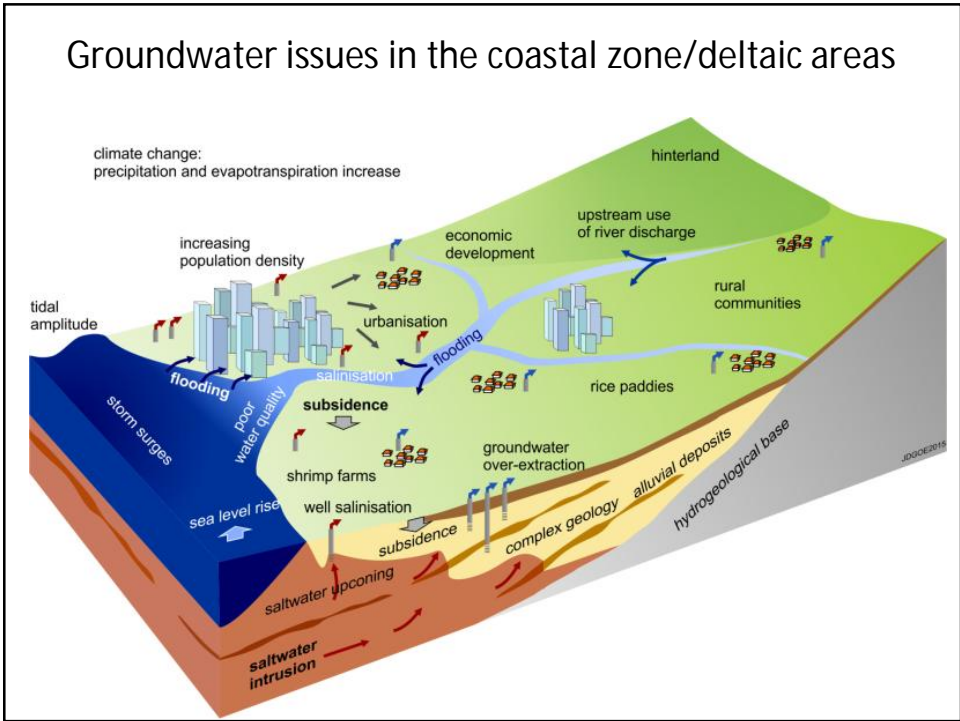
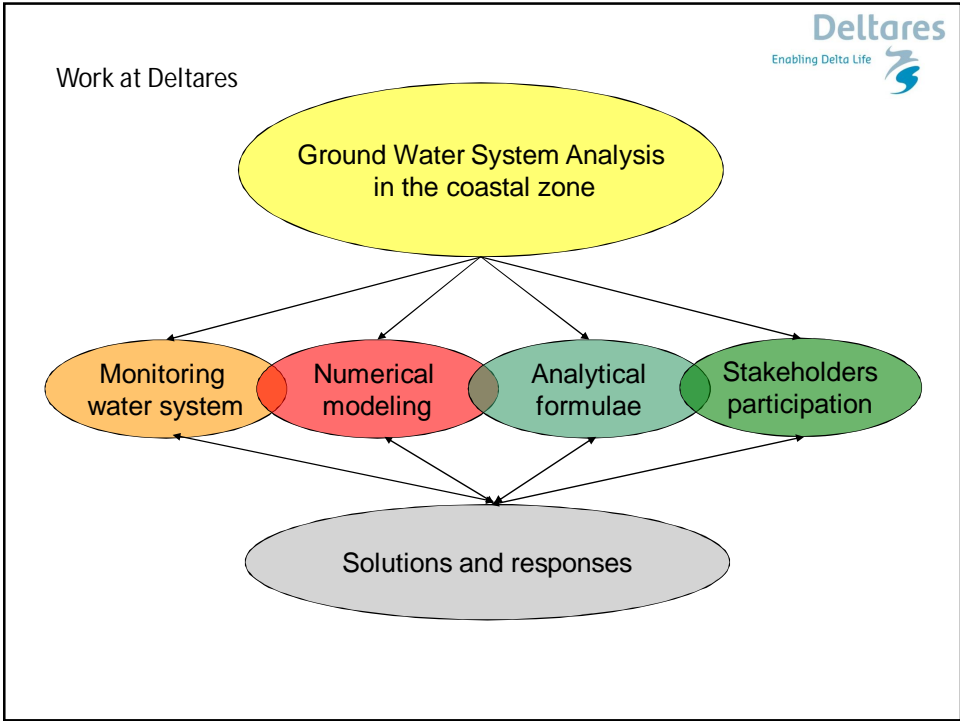
500 million people in the first 5km from the coastline



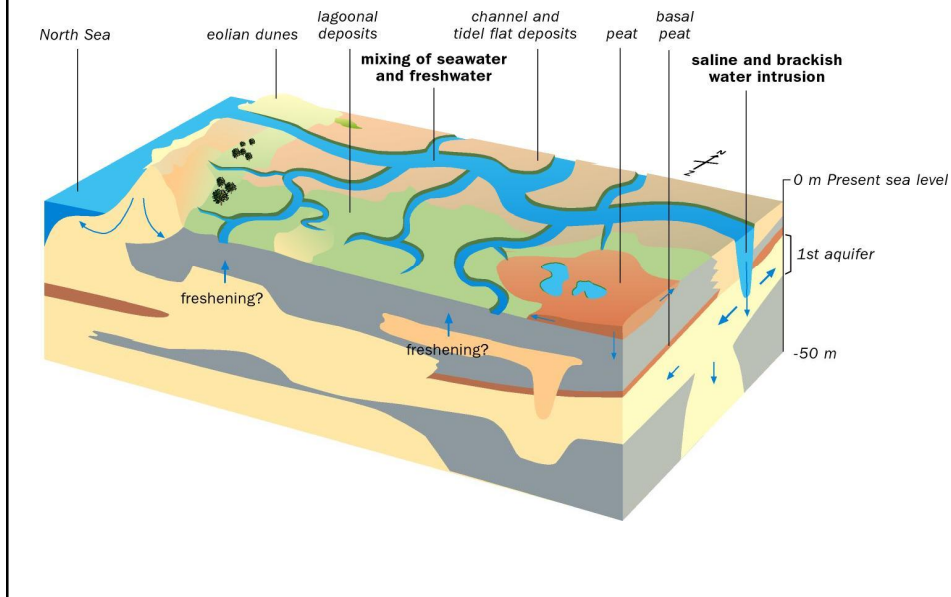
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### Topics of density driven groundwater flow

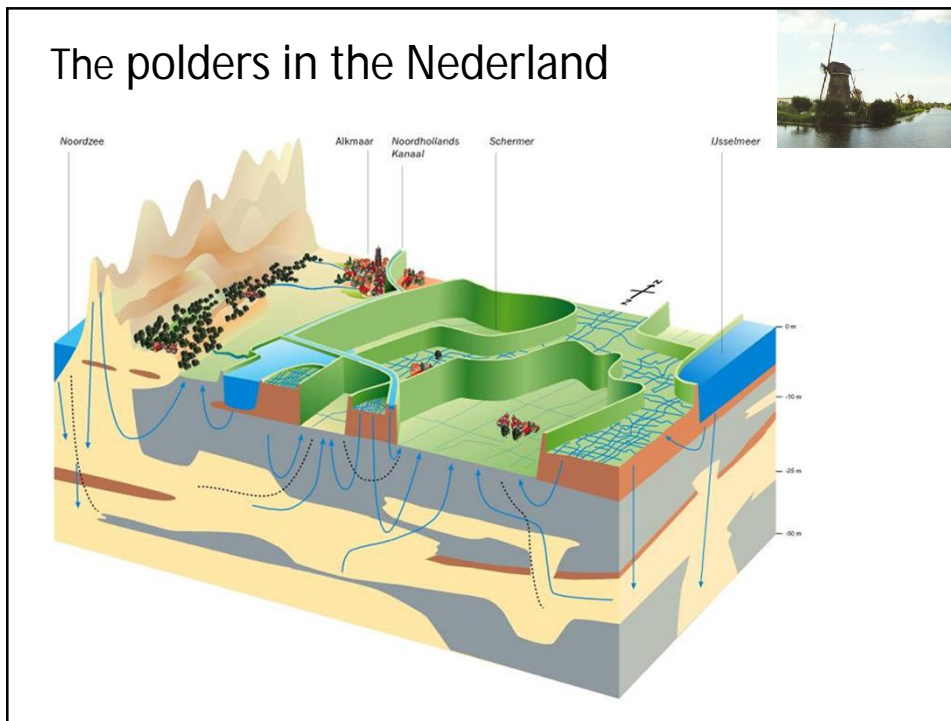
1. Introduction
  - water on earth
  - salt water intrusion
  - freshwater head
2. Interface between fresh and saline groundwater
  - analytical formulae (Badon Ghyben-Herzberg)
  - upconing example
3. Numerical modelling
  - mathematical background
  - Benchmark problems: Henry, Elder, Hydrocoin, etc.
4. Case-studies
  - hypothetical cases
  - 2D, 3D cases
  - real cases (Dutch coastal zone)



## Past, before man



## The polders in the Nederland



## Groundwater in the future

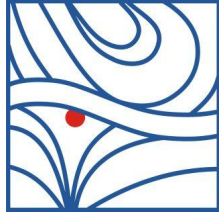
We have to cope with...:

- We have to cope with...:
- Groundwater extractions
- Development energy use/production (heat-cold)
- Climate change
- Land subsidence
- Development spatial land use
- **Politics, Policy & Watermanagement**

*Direct anthropogenic influence on groundwater is more important than climate effect*

Salt Water Intrusion Meeting, since 1968

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- Monitoring
- Modelling
- Effects
- Solutions



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The long-lived success of the conference series reflects the relevance of managing saline groundwater problems around the world, especially in densely populated coastal areas. These include:

- increased demand due to economic development and population growth
- over-exploitation of water resources, especially in arid and semi-arid areas
- contamination and quality deterioration of water resources
- characterization of groundwater systems and movement of saline groundwater
- management and prevention of salinization
- natural and man-made environmental change

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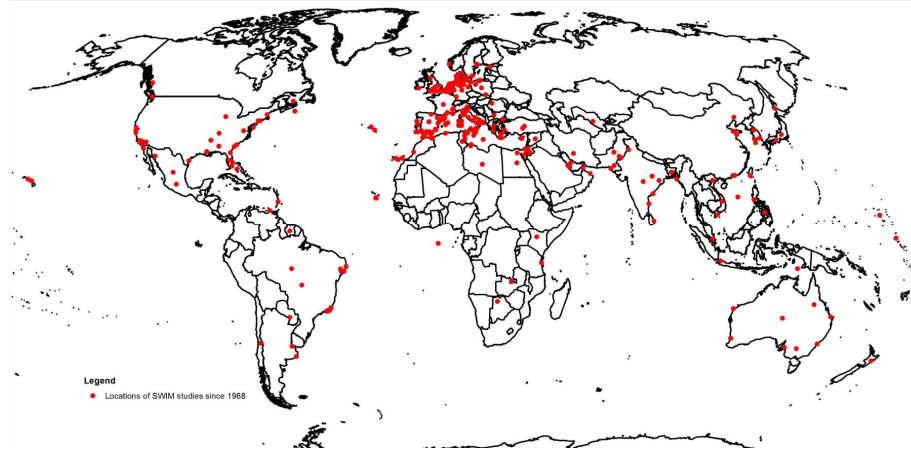
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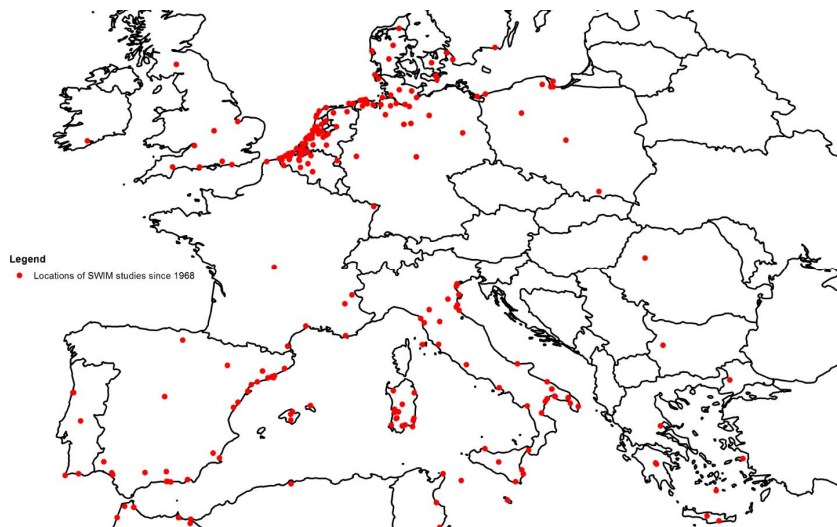
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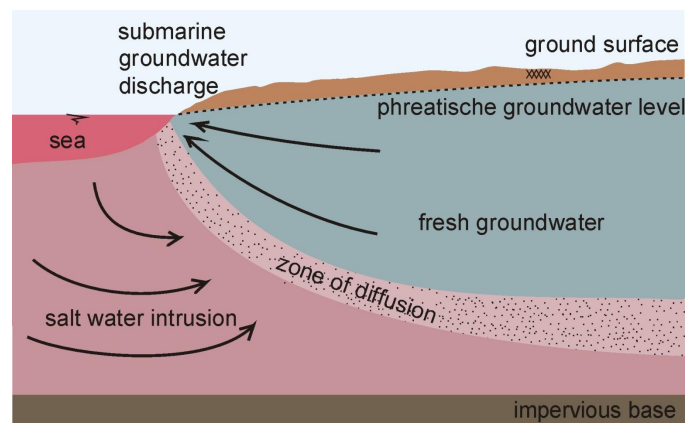


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Introduction

## Definition of salt water intrusion

*Inflow of saline water into an aquifer which contains fresh water*



### Origin of saline groundwater in the subsoil

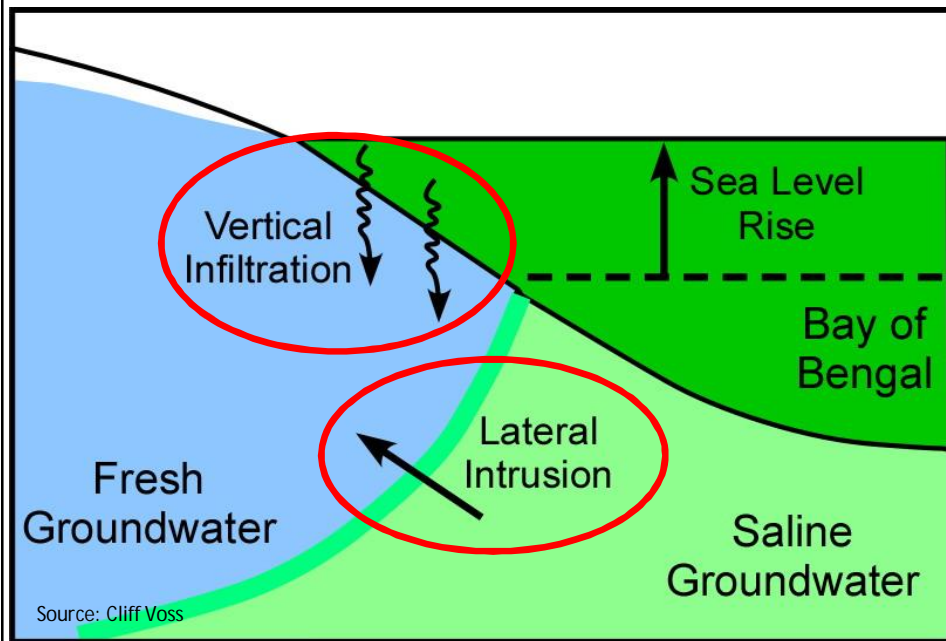
#### Geological causes:

- marine deposits during geological times
- trans- and regressions in coastal areas (deltas)
- salt/brine dome

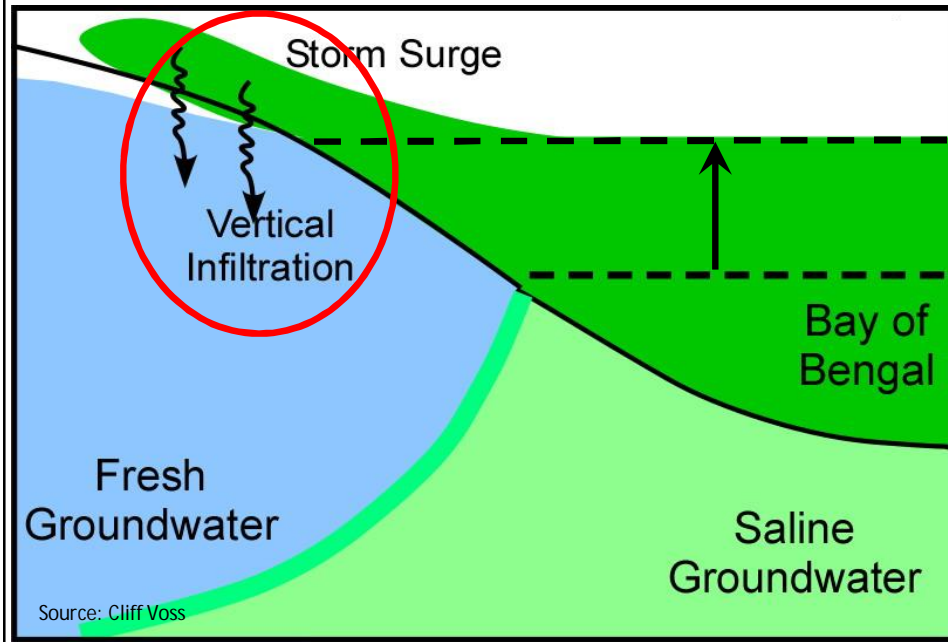
#### Anthropogenic causes:

- agriculture/irrigation (salt damage Middle East & Australia)
- upconing under extraction wells throughout the world
- upconing under low-lying areas (e.g. Dutch polders)

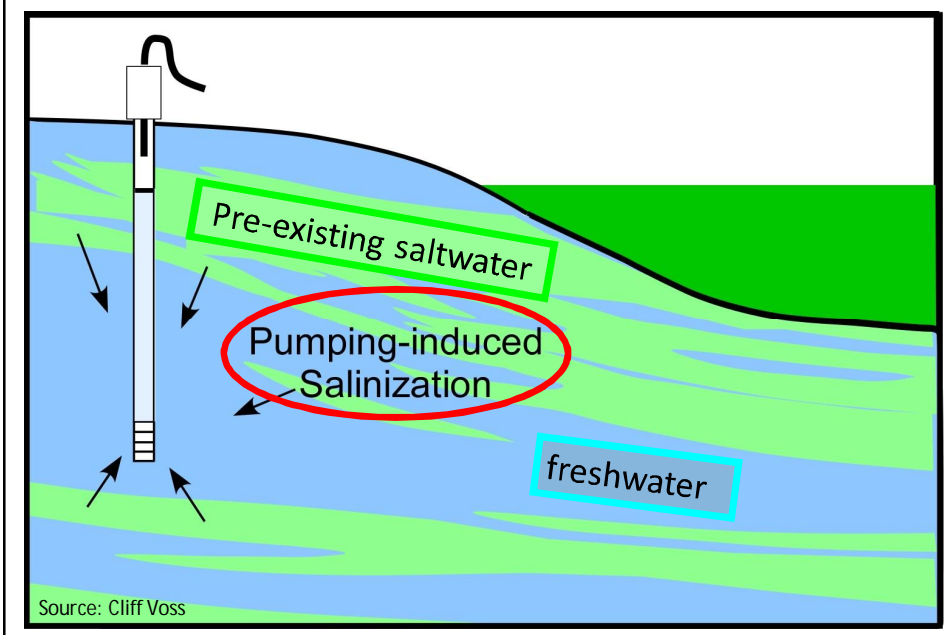
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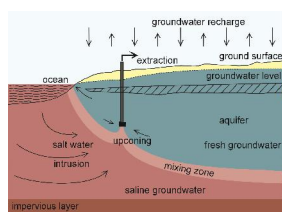
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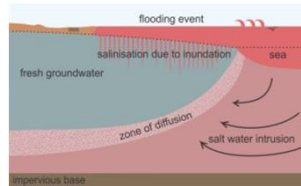
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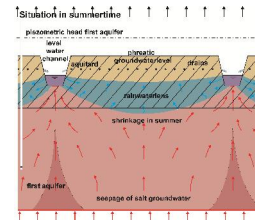
## Salinisation processes at local scale



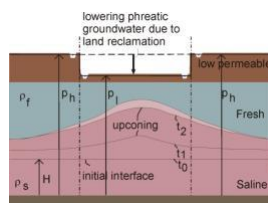
Salt water intrusion groundwater



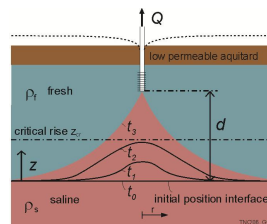
Inundation saline seawater



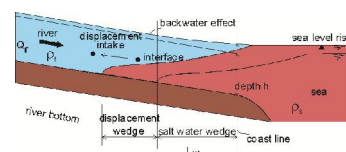
Shallow rainwater lens



Upconing low-lying area

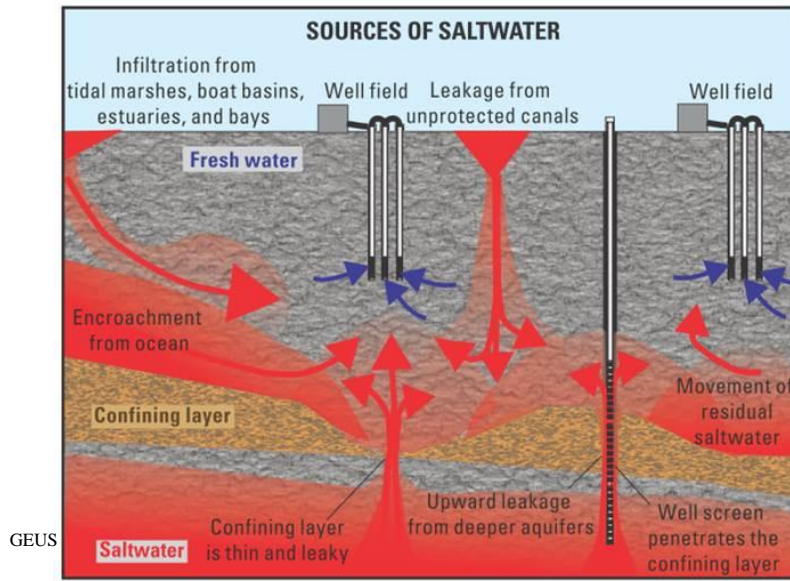


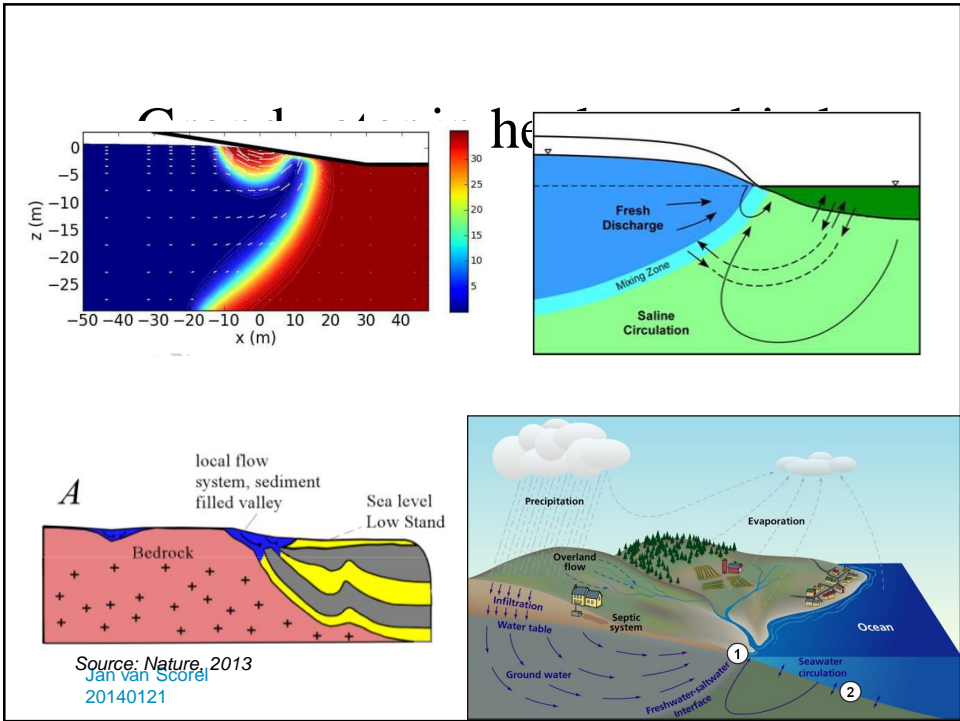
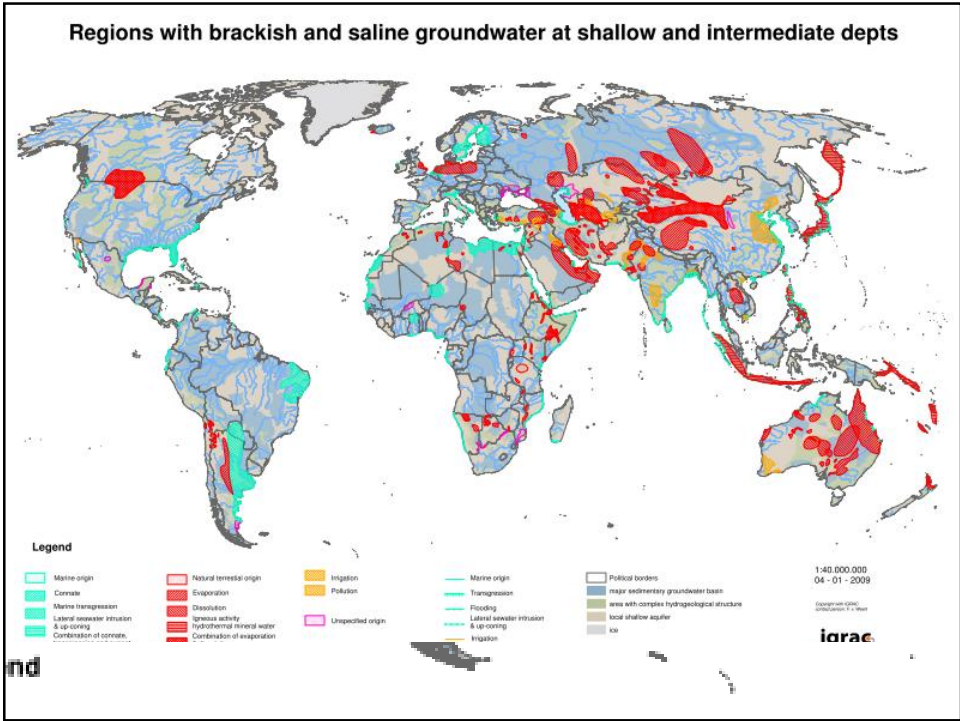
Upconing extraction



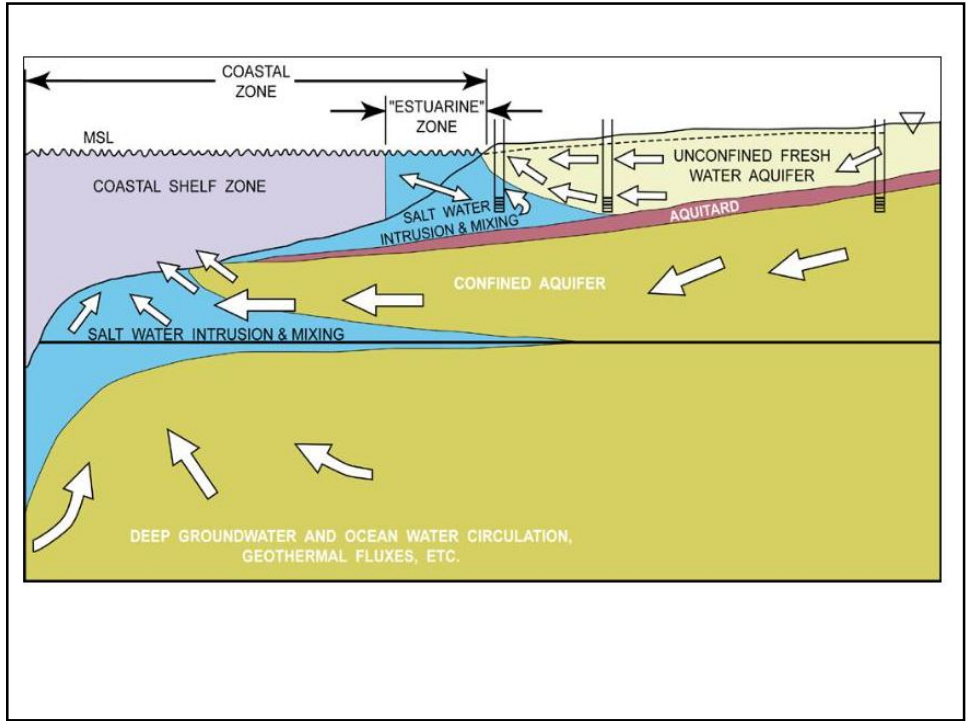
Salt water intrusion surface water

## Salinization processes in the coastal zone: combination

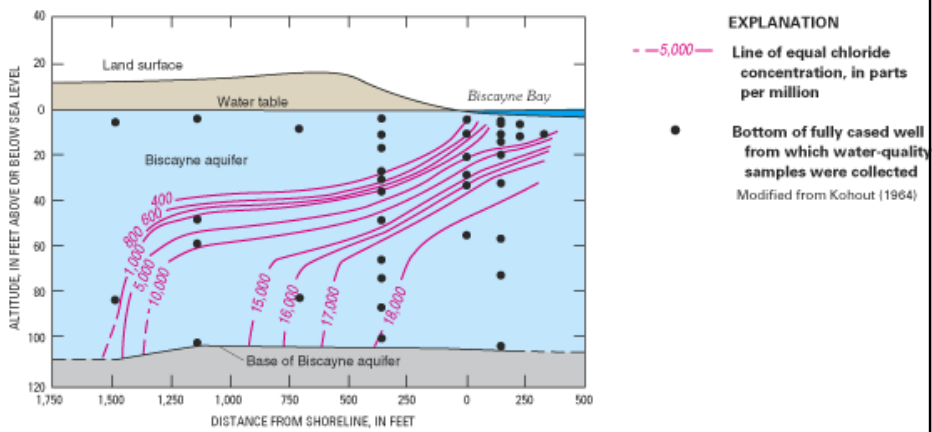






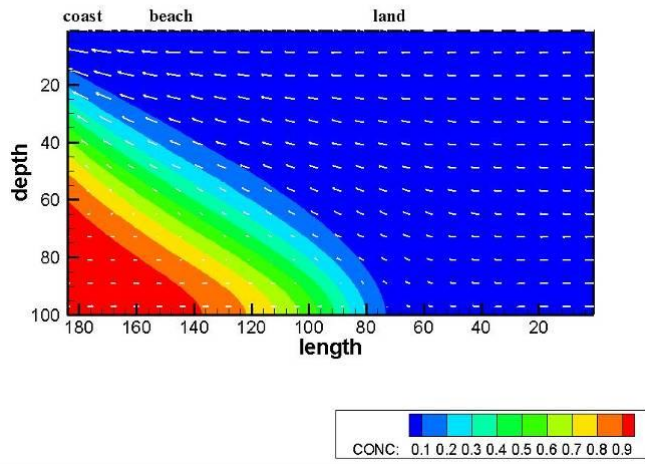


### Biscayne aquifer, Florida USA: Henry's case



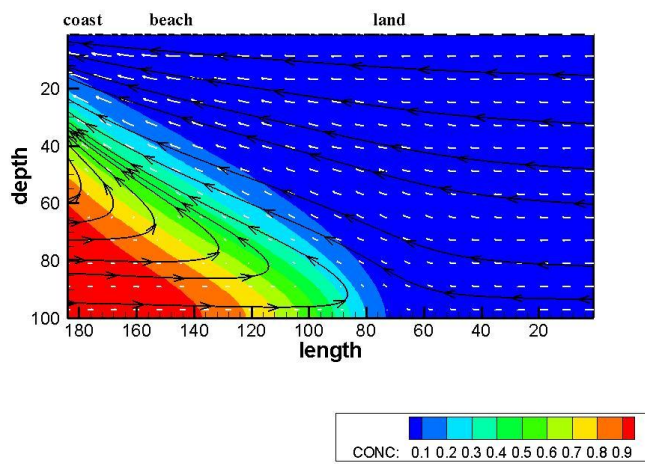
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Numerical model: Henry's case



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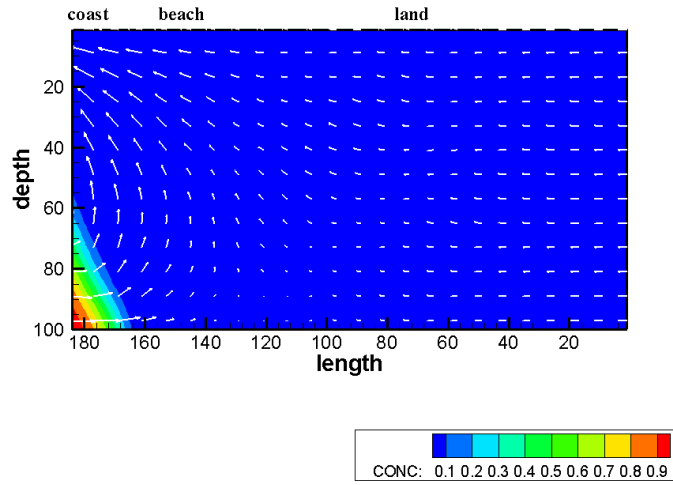
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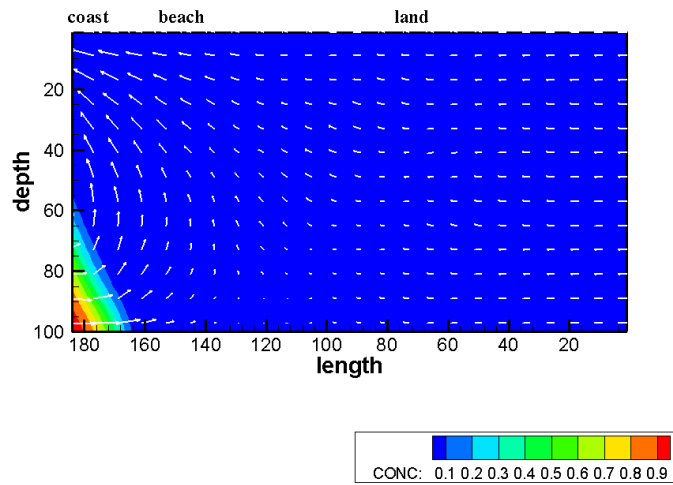
## Sea level rise and salt water intrusion

Effect sea level rise on groundwater system in coastal zone



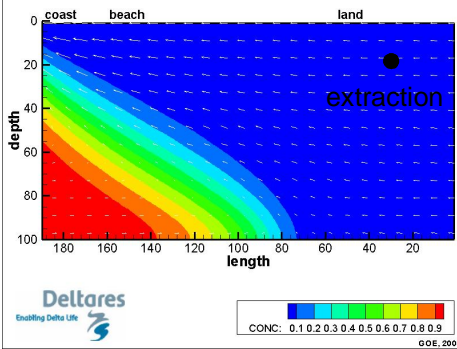
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Effect sea level rise on groundwater system in coastal zone

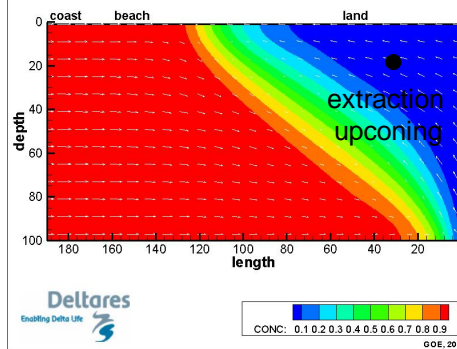


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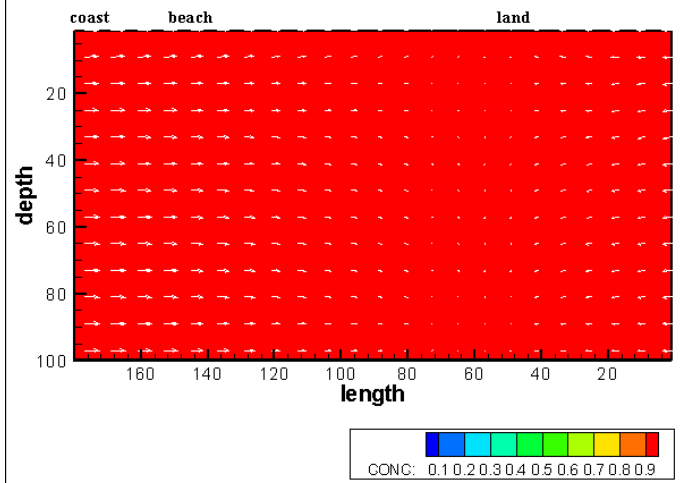


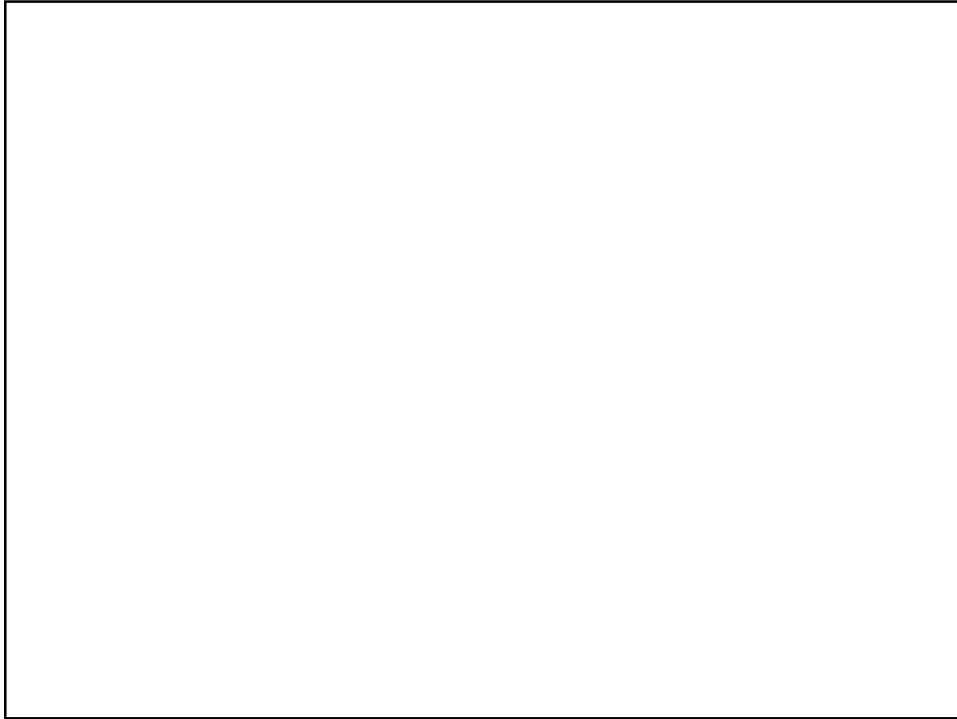
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# Salt water intrusion

Salt water intrusion in the coastal zone





## Water on Earth

Some serious developments:

*"shortage of drinking water will be one of the biggest problems of the 21<sup>st</sup> century"*

*"in 2025, two third of world population will face shortage of water"*



In 1 liter ocean: about 35 gr salt



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In 1 liter Dead Sea water (Jordan/Israel) : about 280 gr salt



In 1 liter drinking water: about 0.15 gr salt is allowed



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Grass can grow well in water with a salt content equal to about 6.5 gr salt in 1 liter water



## Fresh-brackish-saline groundwater

Ions		[mg/L]
Negative ions	$Cl^-$	19000
	$SO_4^{-2}$	2700
	$HCO_3^-$	140
	$Br^-$	65
Total negative ions		21905
Positive ions	$Na^+$	10600
	$Mg^{+2}$	1270
	$Ca^{+2}$	400
	$K^+$	380
Total positive ions		12650
Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)		34555

## Definition fresh-brackish-saline groundwater

Main type of groundwater	Chloride concentration [mg Cl <sup>-</sup> /L]
oligohaline	0 - 5
oligohaline-fresh	5 - 30
fresh	30 - 150
fresh-brackish	150 - 300
brackish	300 - 1000
brackish-saline	1000 - 10.000
saline	10.000 - 20.000
hyperhaline or brine	≥20.000

Type	[mS/cm]	[mg TDS/L]	Drinking- or irrigation water
Non-saline or fresh water	<0.7	<500	Drinking and irrigation water
Slightly saline	0.7 - 2	500-1.500	Irrigation water
Moderately saline	2 - 10	1.500-7.000	Primary drainage water and groundwater
Highly saline	10 - 25	7.000-15.000	Secondary drainage water and groundwater
Very highly saline	25 - 45	15.000-35.000	Seawater is about 35000 TDS mg/L
Brine	>45	>35.000	n.a.

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## Examples of equations of state

Knudsen (1902)

$$\rho_{(S,T)} = 1000 + 0.8054S - 0.0065(T - 4 + 0.2214S)^2$$

T < 15 °C, S < 20 ppt

Linear (concentration)

$$\rho_{(C)} = \rho_f \left[ 1 + \alpha \frac{C_i}{C_s} \right] \quad \text{where } \alpha = \text{relative density difference}$$

Linear (temperature)

$$\rho_{(T)} = \rho_f [1 - \beta(T - T')] ]$$

Exponential (temperature, pressure, salt)

$$\rho_{(T,p,\omega)} = \rho_f e^{-\alpha(T-T_0) + \beta(p-p_0) + \gamma\omega}$$

## Equation of state (SEAWAT)

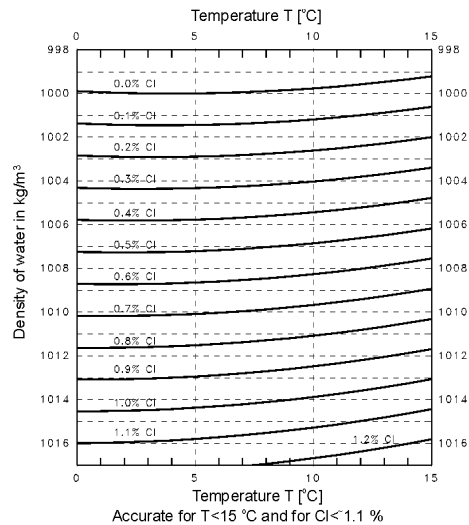
$$\rho_{i,j,k} = \rho_f + \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial C} C_{i,j,k}$$

e.g.:

1. conc=35 TDS g/l: DRHODC=0.7143
2. conc=19000 mg Cl<sup>-</sup>/l: DRHODC=0.001316  
(as 1025=1000+0.001316\*19000)
3. conc=1: DRHODC=25 (example practicals)

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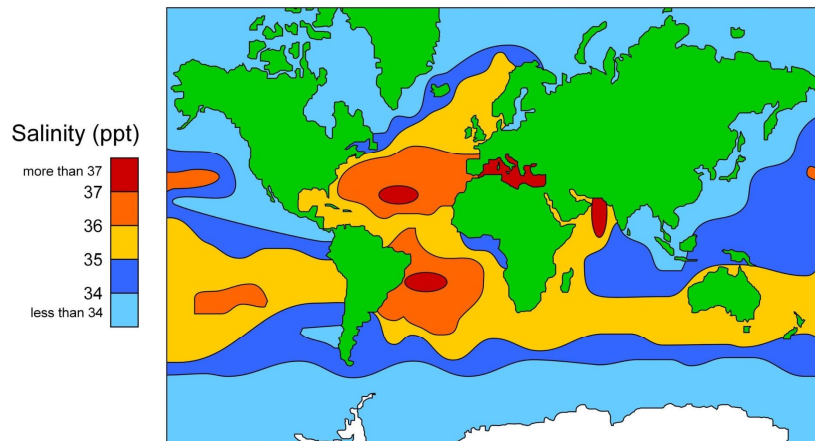
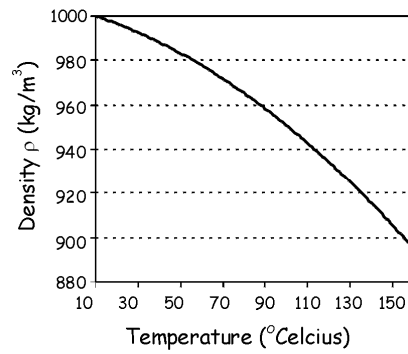
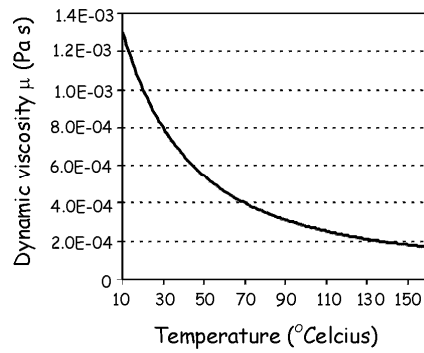
## Density depends on salinity and temperature



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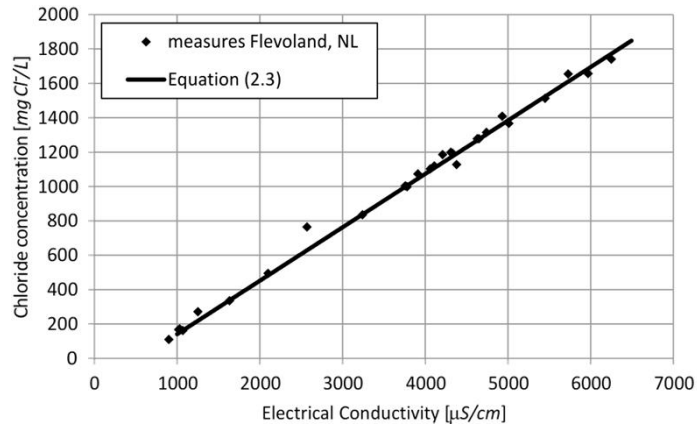


## Density and viscosity depend on temperature (10°C-160 °C)



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### Close relation between chloride concentration and Electrical Conductivity



$$Cl^{-} (mg / L) = EC_w (\mu S / cm) \cdot 0.305 - 137$$

### Close relation between chloride concentration and Electrical Conductivity

$$10^6 \mu S/cm = 10^3 mS/cm = 1 S/cm$$

$$1 \mu S/cm = 100 \mu S/m$$

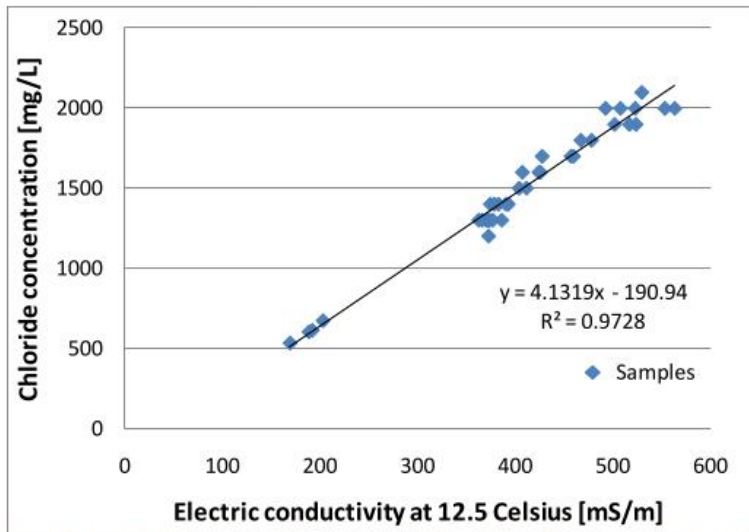
ocean water:

~19000 mg Cl-/L or ~34555 mg TDS/L

~5 S/m or ~48 mS/cm

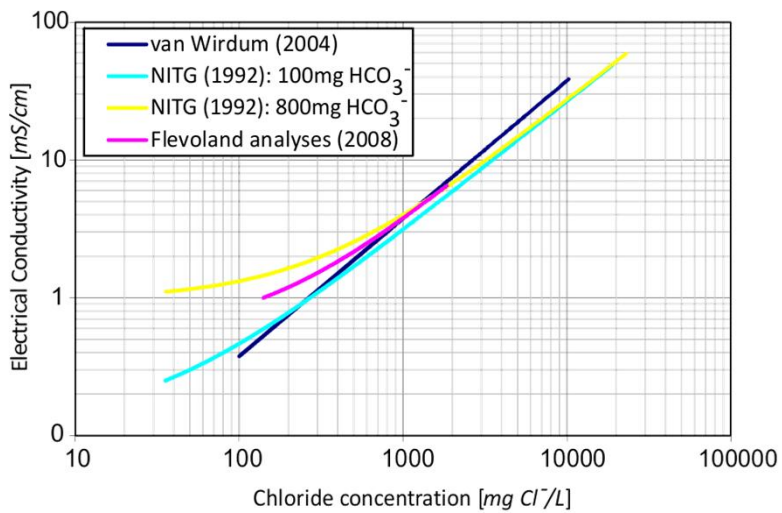
the ratio Cl<sup>-</sup> over TDS equal to ~0.554, under stable  
normal seawater environments

A fresh-keeper for Noard Burgum  
 The new future for a salinated well field?

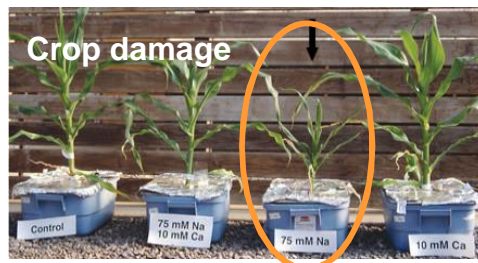
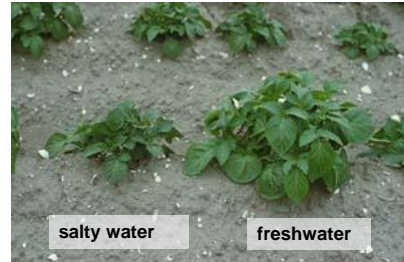


Appendix figure 11: Relation between the electric conductivity and the chloride concentration. For this relation samples from observation well B06D1114 and B06D1087 in between 23-sept-2009 and 9-okt-2010 were plotted.

### EC-Chloride



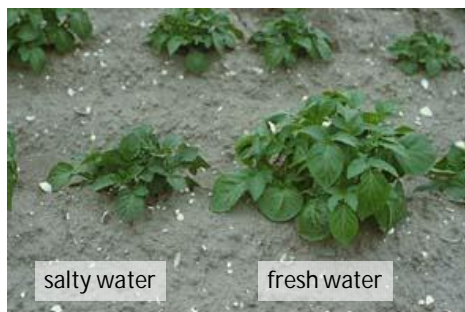
## Salt in water is a problem



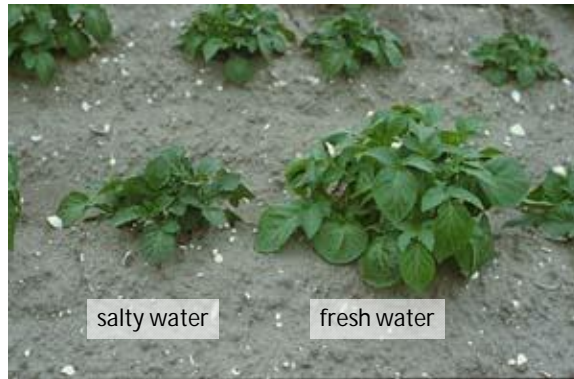
Introduction

Salt in water is a problem for different water management sectors:

- drinking water:
  - taste (100-300 mg Cl<sup>-</sup>/l)
  - long term health effect
  - norm: EC& WHO=150 mg Cl<sup>-</sup>/l (live stock=1500 mg Cl<sup>-</sup>/l)
- industry:
  - corrosion pipes
  - preparation food
- irrigation/agriculture:
  - production crops
  - salt damage

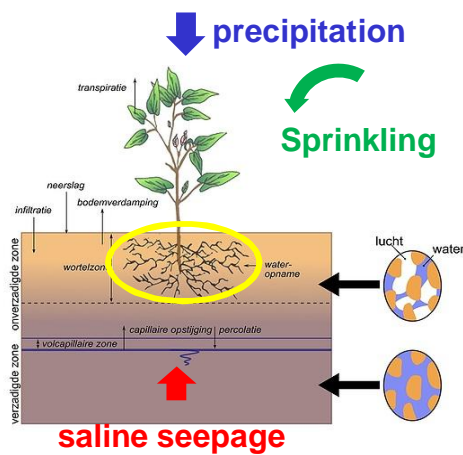


## Effects salinisation: salt damage

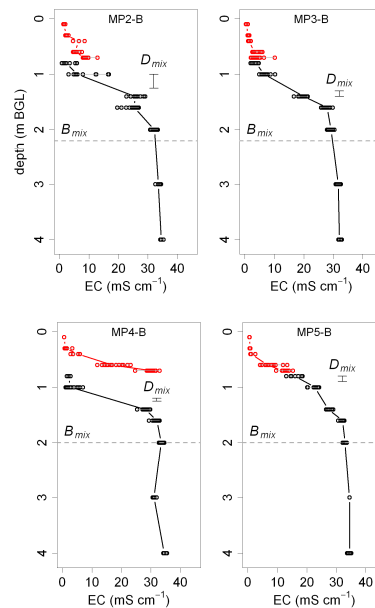


Source: Proefstation voor de Akkerbouw en Groenteteelt, Lelystad

## Salt-resistant crops



**Important parameter:**  
 Chloride concentration root zone  
 Land use  
 Sensitivity crops



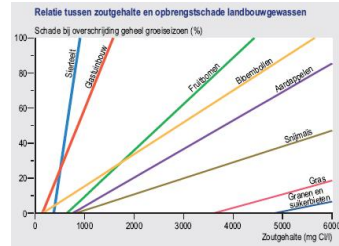
## Salt damage to crops

Important parameters:

- Chloride concentration in the root zone
- Land use
- Sensitivity crops

Land use	Threshold value root zone (mg Cl-/l)	Gradient root zone (-)
Grass	3606	0.0078
Potatoes	756	0.0163
Beet	4831	0.0057
Grains	4831	0.0058
Horticulture	1337	0.0141
Orchard (trees)	642	0.0264
Bulb	153	0.0182

Source: Roest et al., 2003 en Haskoning

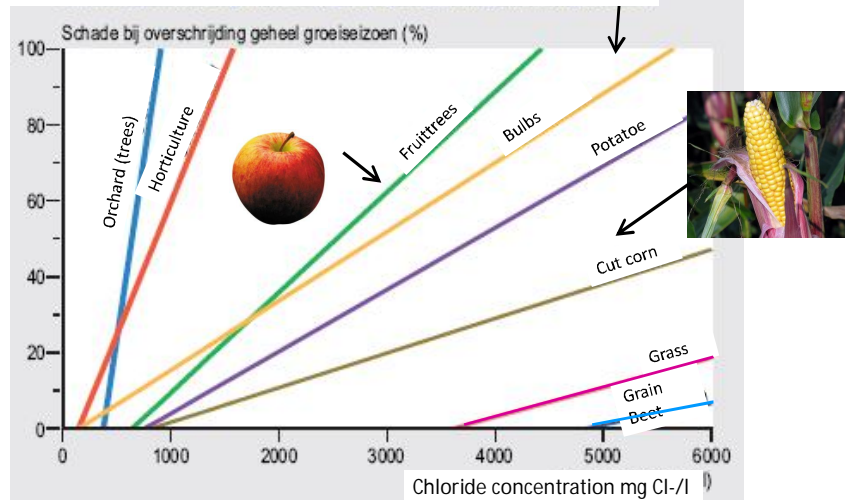


Source: MNP, 2005

## Salt damage to crops



Relation between salt concentration and damage to crops

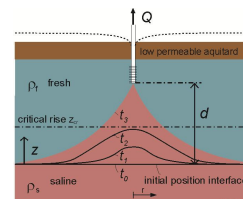
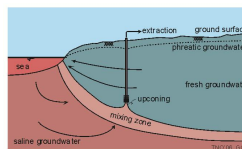
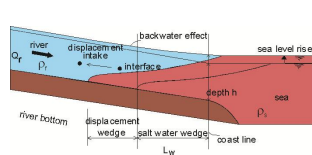


Source: MNP, 2005

	Soil moisture		Irrigation water	
	Limit	Gradient	Limit	Gradient
Crop	mg/l Cl	%/mg/l Cl	mg/l Cl	%/mg/l Cl
Potatoe	756	0.0163	202	0.0610
Grass	3606	0.0078	962	0.0294
Sugar beat	4831	0.0057	1288	0.0212
Cut Corn	815	0.0091	217	0.0343
Grains	4831	0.0058	1288	0.0218
Fruit trees	642	0.0264	171	0.0991
Orchard (trees)	378	0.1890	101	0.7086
Vegetables	917	0.0158	245	0.0591
Horticulture	1337	0.0141	356	0.0527
Bulbs	153	0.0182	41	0.0683

### Why is salinisation a pressing problem?

- 30% of world population lives <100 km from coastline
- economic and tourist activities increase
- enormous increase in extraction
- irreversible process
- increase saltwater intrusion problem world-wide:
  - upconing
  - salt water wedge
  - decrease outflow  $q_0$
- climate change:
  - sea level rise
  - natural groundwater recharge





Processes that accelerate salt water intrusion:

- Sea level rise
- Land subsidence
- Human activities

Threats for:

- drinking water supply in dunes:
  - upconing of saline groundwater
  - decrease of fresh groundwater resources
  - recharge areas reduction
- agriculture:
  - salt damage to crops: salt load and seepage
- water management low-lying areas:
  - flushing water channels
- ecology





# The water footprint of products

global averages

<b>1 kg wheat</b>	<b>1 m<sup>3</sup> water</b>
<b>1 kg rice</b>	<b>3 m<sup>3</sup> water</b>
<b>1 kg milk</b>	<b>1 m<sup>3</sup> water</b>
<b>1 kg cheese</b>	<b>5 m<sup>3</sup> water</b>
<b>1 kg pork</b>	<b>5 m<sup>3</sup> water</b>
<b>1 kg beef</b>	<b>15 m<sup>3</sup> water</b>

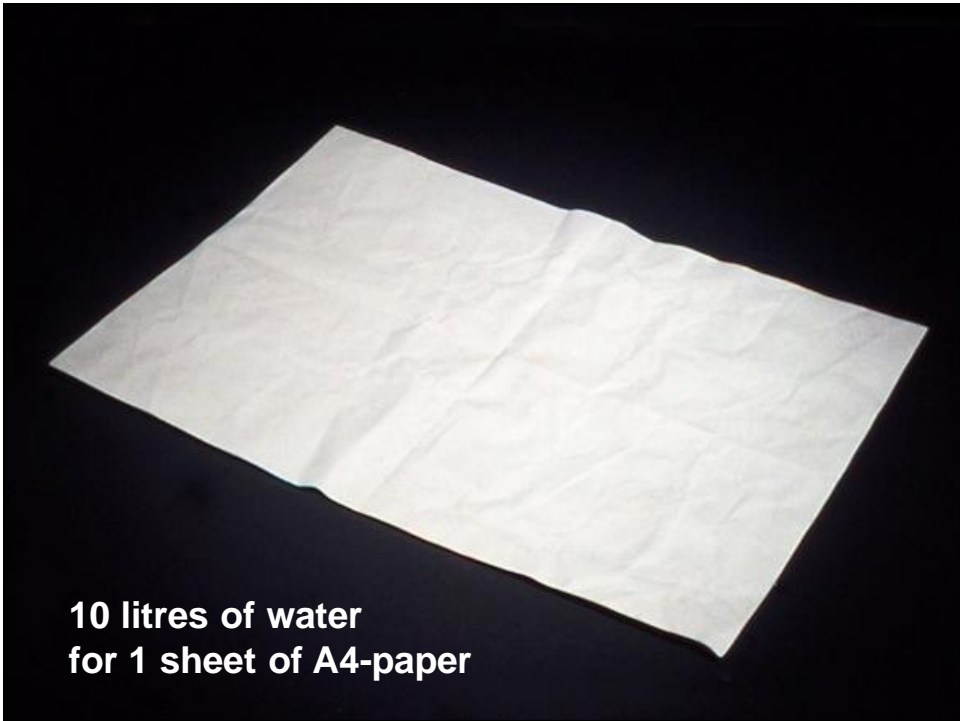


[Hoekstra & Chapagain, 2008]



**40 litres of water  
for 1 slice of bread**



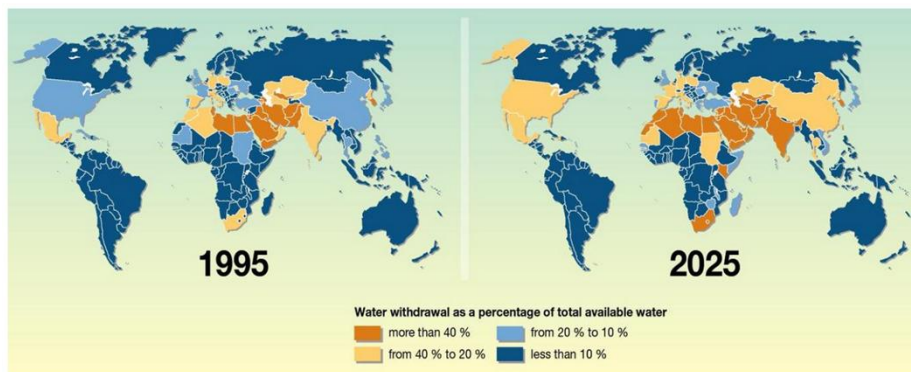


Question:

*Demand fresh water per capita per day?:*

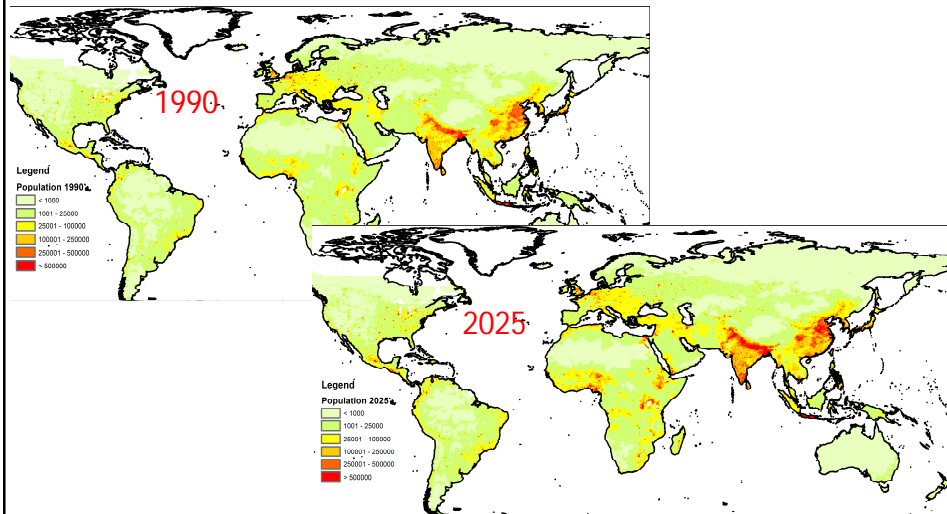
- a. 10 litre/day
- b. 25 litre/day
- c. 100 litre/day
- d. 200 litre/day

Water withdrawal as % of total available water





## Population growth 1990-2025



*Global 15 x 15 Minute Grids of the Downscaled Population Based on the SRES B2 Scenario, 1990 and 2025 (-28\*28km2 at equator)*

Introduction

### Reasons and drawbacks of using groundwater

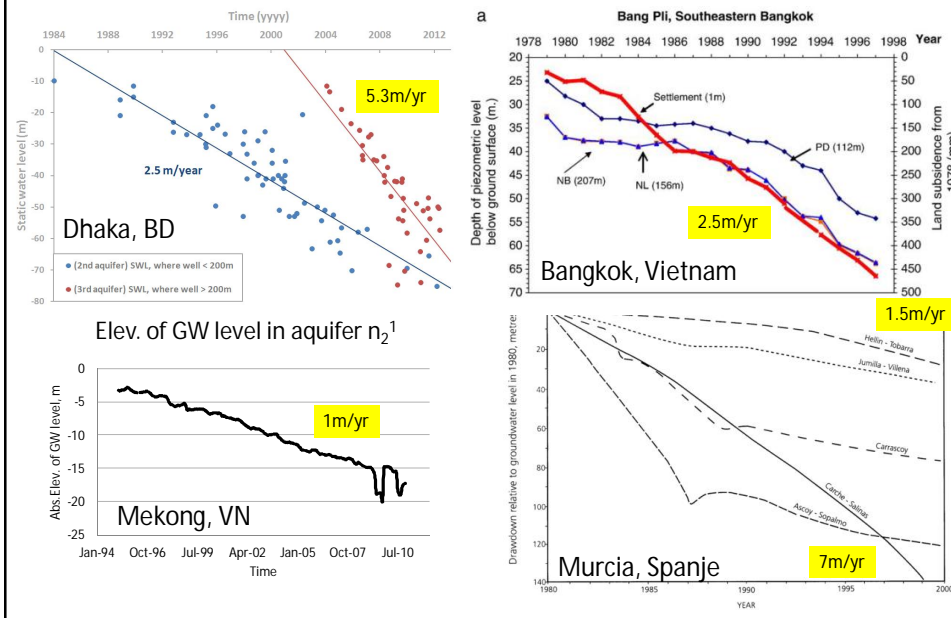
#### Advantage:

- no seasonal effects
- high quality
- low storage costs
- large quantities
- no spatial limitations

#### Disadvantage:

- high extraction costs
- local droughts
- high mineral content
- land subsidence....
- salt water intrusion !

# Serious overexploitation coastal aquifers worldwide



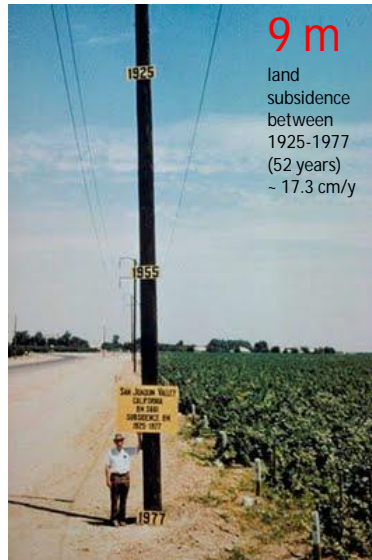
# Groundwater overexploitation in Mekong Delta



## Land subsidence

Megacity	Maximum subsidence [m]	Date commenced
Shanghai	2.80	1921
Tokyo	5.00	1930's
Osaka	2.80	1935
Bangkok	1.60	1950's
Tianjin	2.60	1959
Jakarta	0.90	1978
Manila	0.40	1960
Los Angeles	9.00	1930's

## Land subsidence San Joachim Valley, CA, USA



9 m since 1930s



# What causes the land to subside?

Natural causes (geological processes):

- *Loading* of the earth's crust by ice sheets, sediment (delta's), the ocean/sea
- *Compaction* of older sediments after sedimentation

Anthropogenic causes (human-induced processes):

- Oil/gas *extraction* (usually relatively deep)
- Groundwater *extraction* (usually moderately deep)
- *Drainage* of soils  $\Rightarrow$  oxidation of peat, soil compaction

Why discriminating between human-induced and natural processes?

- Magnitude
- Cooping strategy (mitigation versus adaptation)



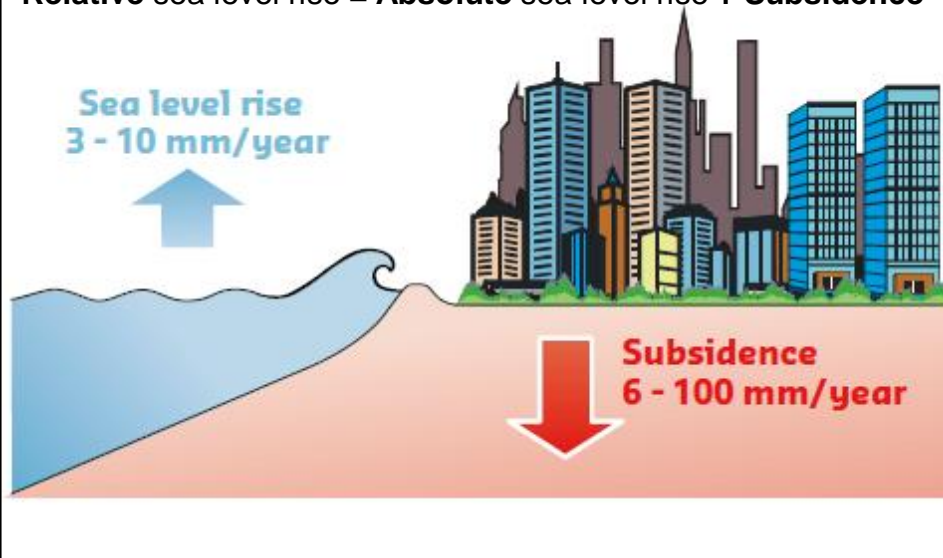


# Impacts



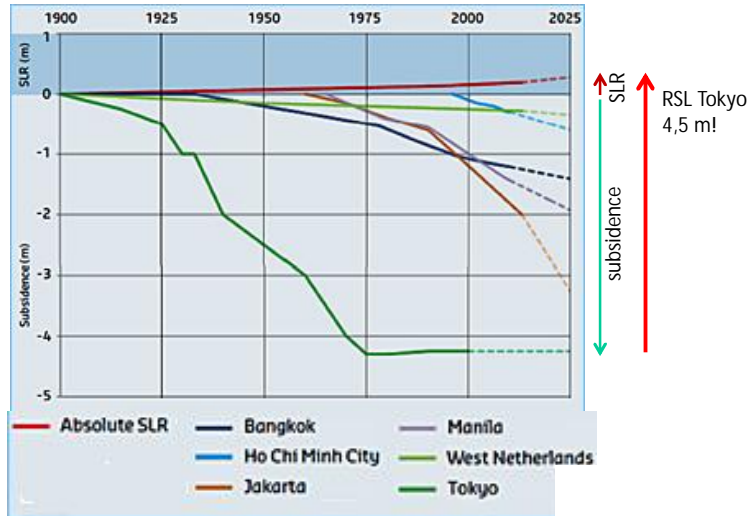
## Sinking delta cities

**Relative sea level rise = Absolute sea level rise + Subsidence**

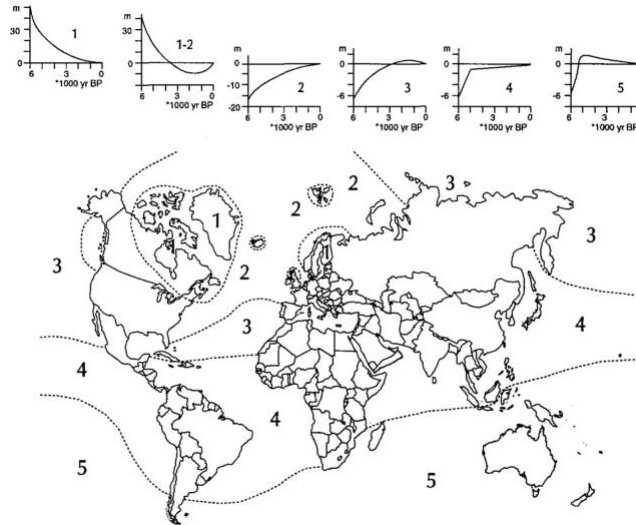


## Examples of some major coastal cities

The subsidence issue is underestimated

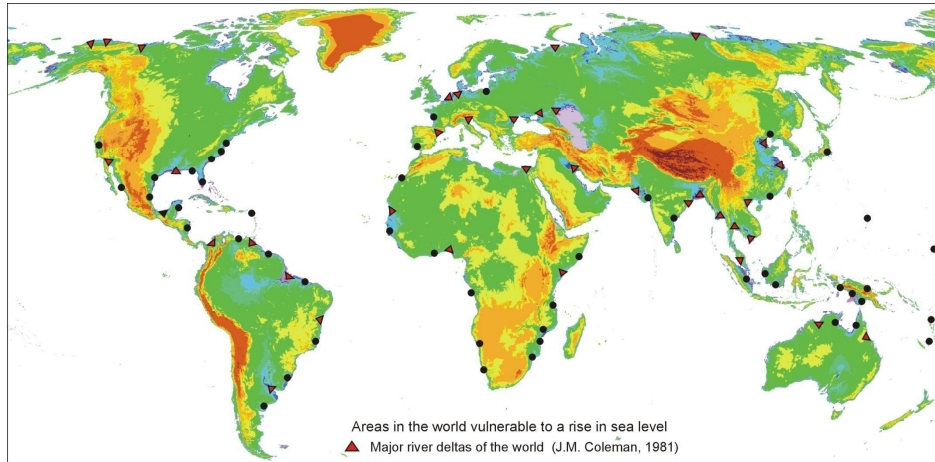


## Regional distribution of Holocene Sea-level Changes



Source: Pirazzoli, P.A. & Pluet, J., 1991. *World Atlas of Holocene Sea-level Changes*. Elsevier Oceanography Series, Vol. 58

## Areas vulnerable to sea level rise

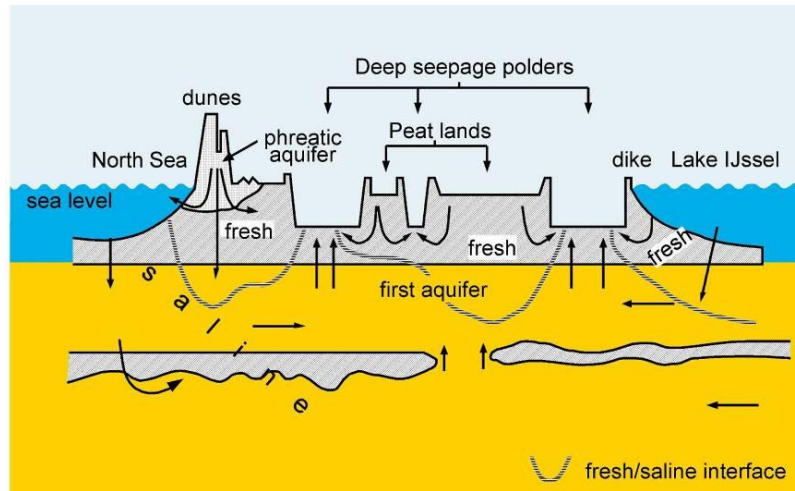


## The Netherlands: low-lying lands



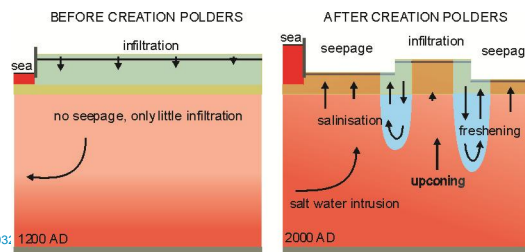
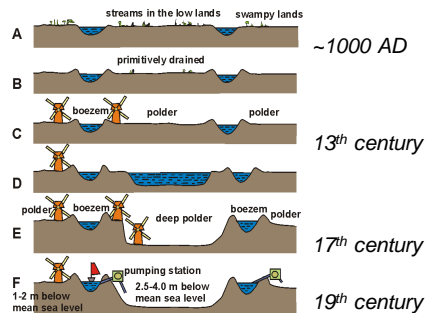
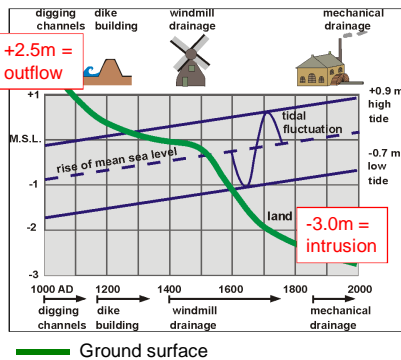
## Saline seepage leads to:

- Salinization and eutrophication of surface waters
- Salinization of shallow groundwater
- Salinization of root zone (crop damage)



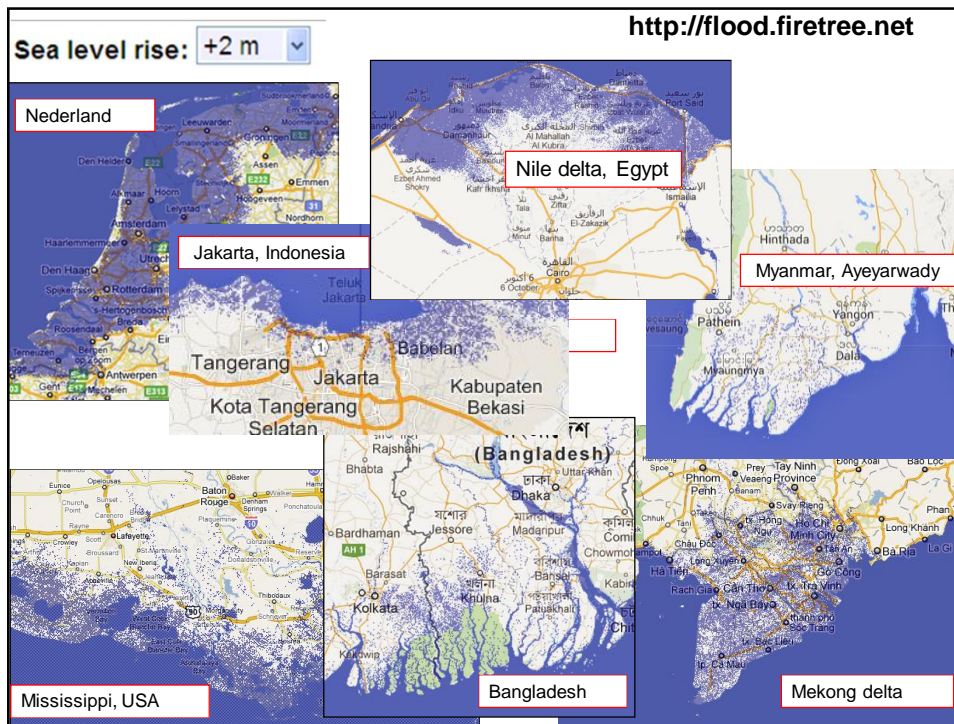
## From fresh water outflow to salt water inflow

Historical subsidence of the ground surface in Holland



Bangladesh 201303; 1200 AD



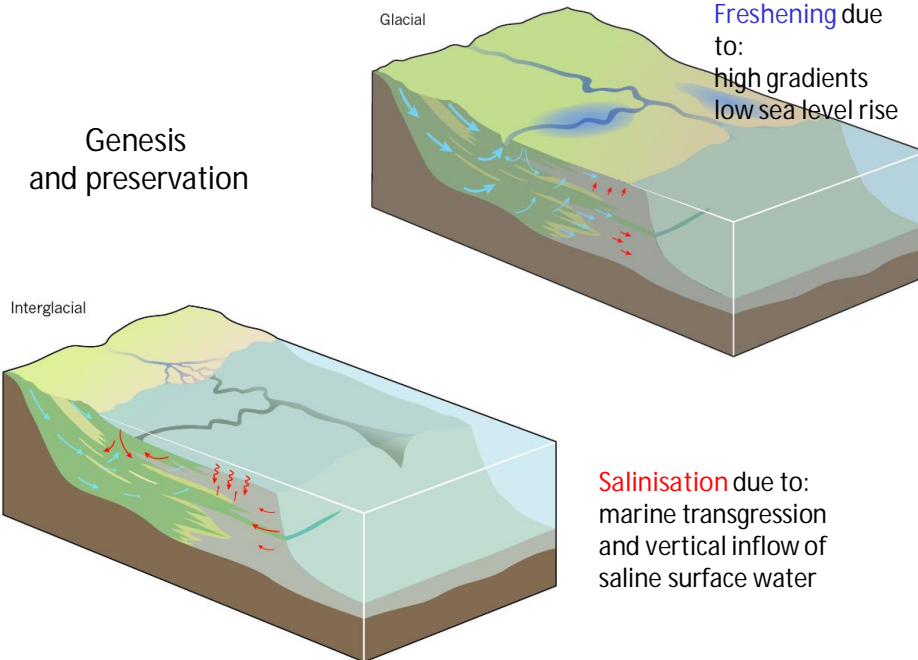


World map of topography and bathymetry showing known occurrences of fresh and brackish offshore groundwater



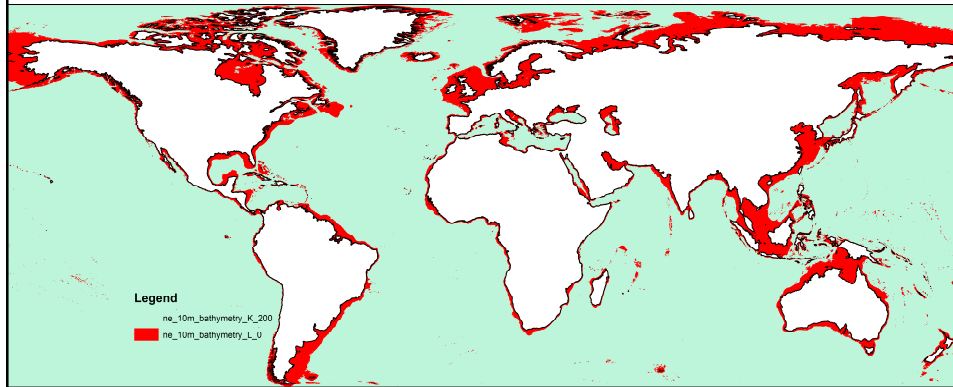
Post et al., Nature, 2013

Genesis and preservation

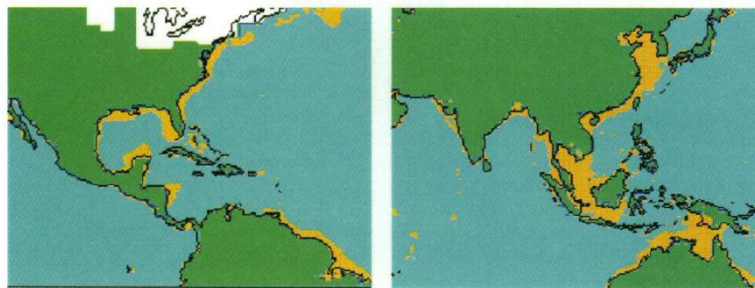


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### Possible locations of offshore (submarine) groundwater

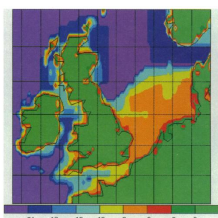


### Coastal zone cases around the world Occurrence related to dynamic sea-levels and coastlines

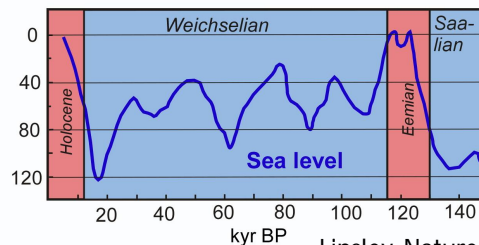


Exposed continental shelves

Peltier, *Science*, 1994

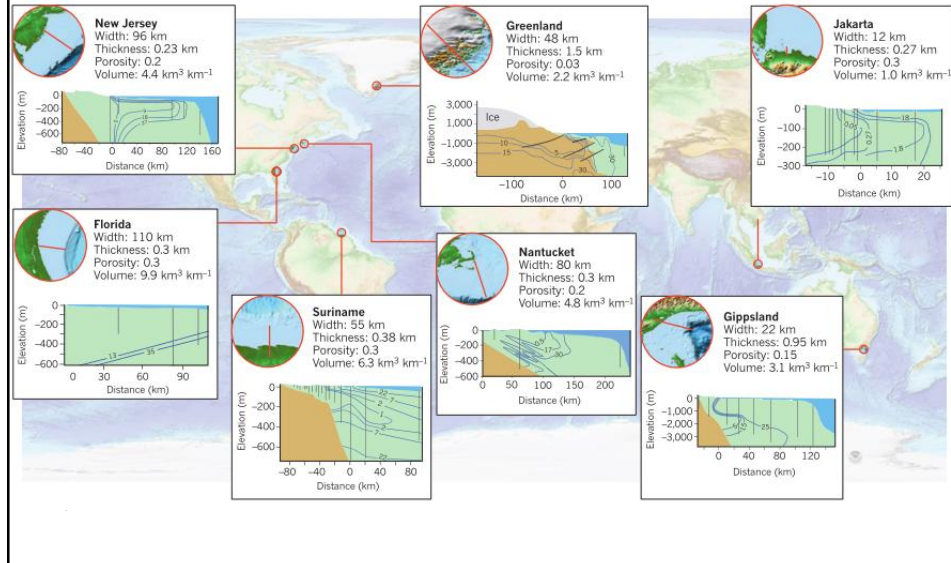


Inundated (kyr BP)



Linsley, *Nature*, 1996

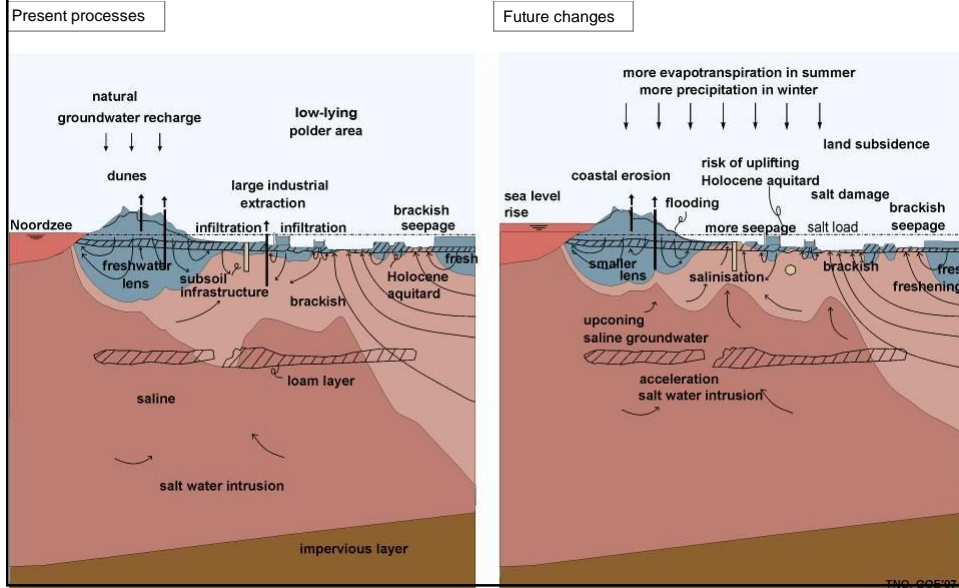
## Global overview of inferred key metrics and cross sections of well-characterised vast meteoric groundwater reserves



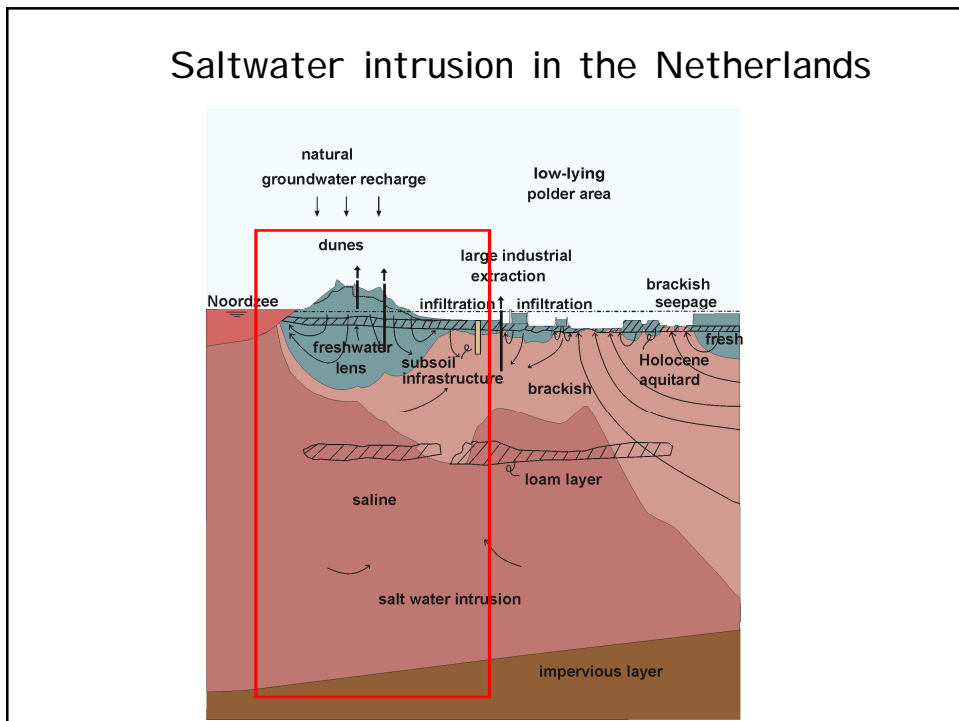
My first density dependent groundwater flow and solute transport model in 1990!



# The Dutch groundwater system under stress

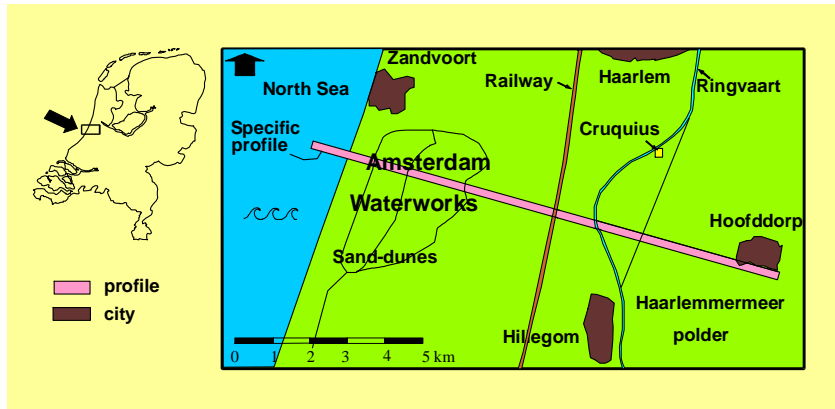


# Saltwater intrusion in the Netherlands



## Saltwater intrusion in the Dutch coastal zone

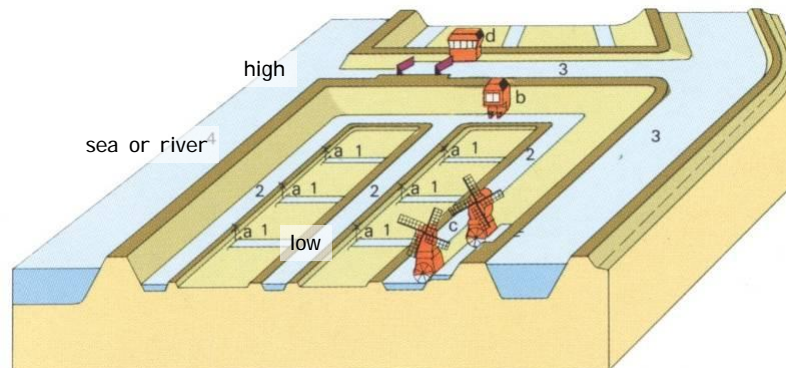
Position profile through Amsterdam Waterworks, Rijnland polders and Haarlemmermeer polder



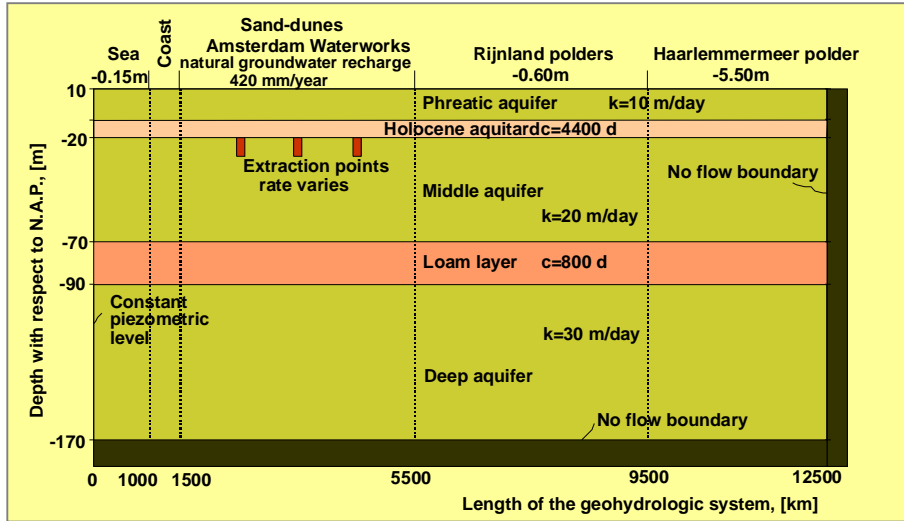
## The polder system

A polder is:

*a sophisticated system to drain the excess of water in a low-lying area*

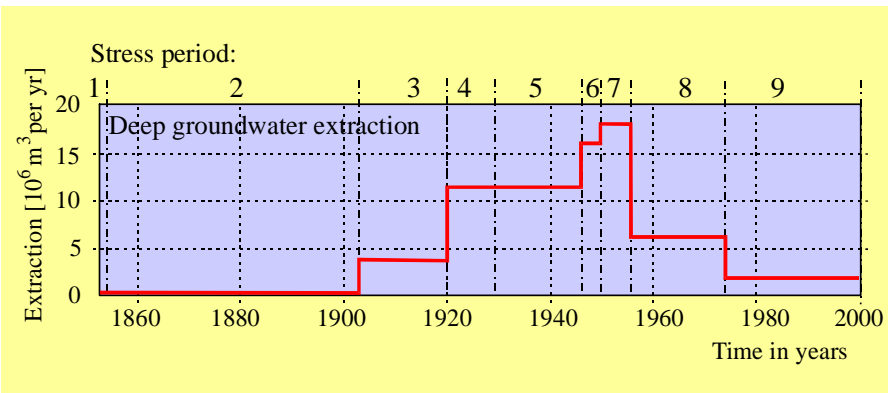


## Geometry, subsoil parameters, boundary conditions

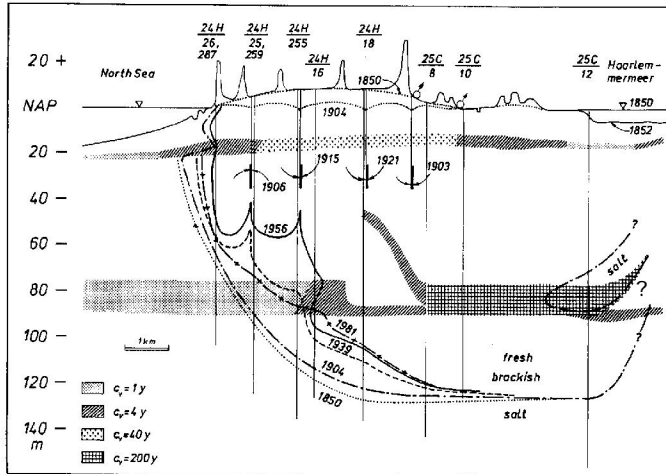
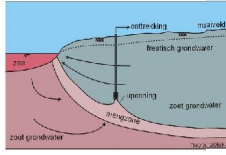


## Saltwater intrusion in the Dutch coastal zone

Grondwater extractions out of the middle aquifer in the sand-dune area of Amsterdam Waterworks

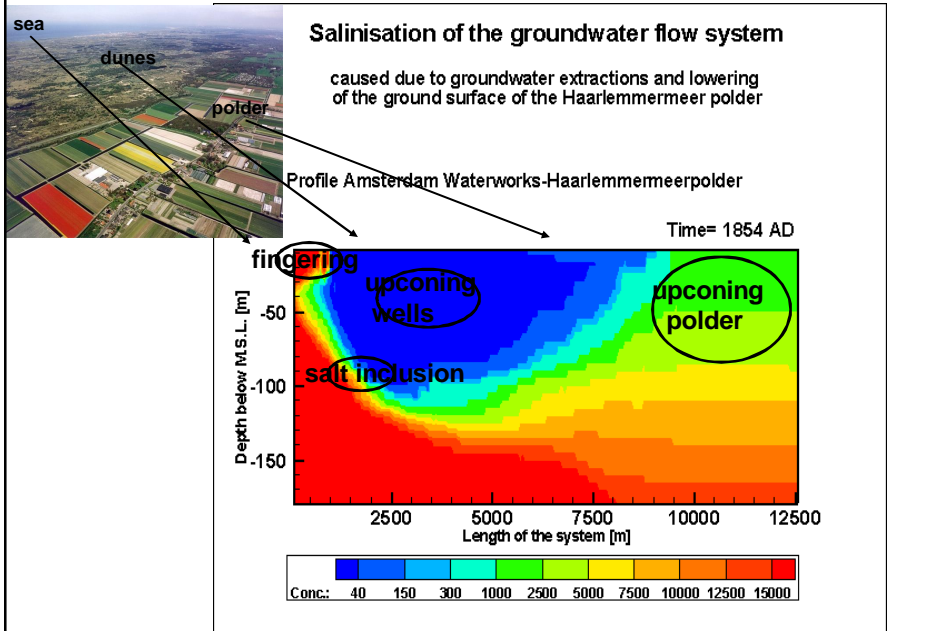


## Upconing of brackish-saline groundwater

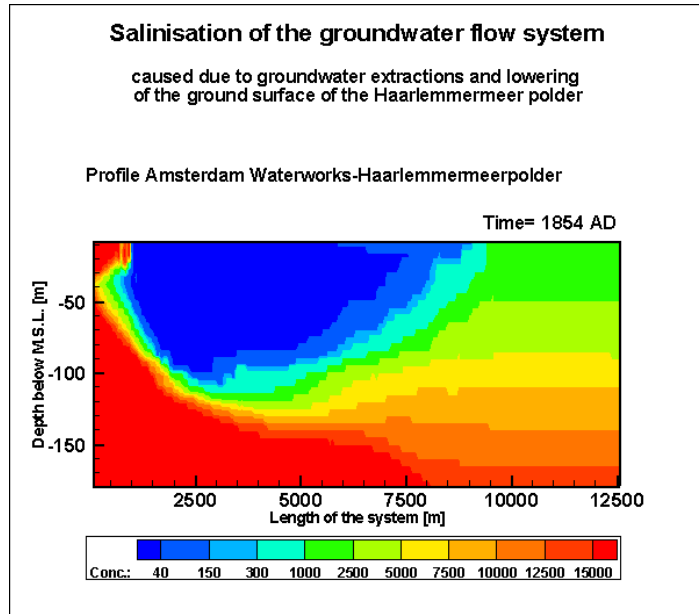


Stuyfzand, 1993

## Saltwater intrusion in the Dutch coastal zone



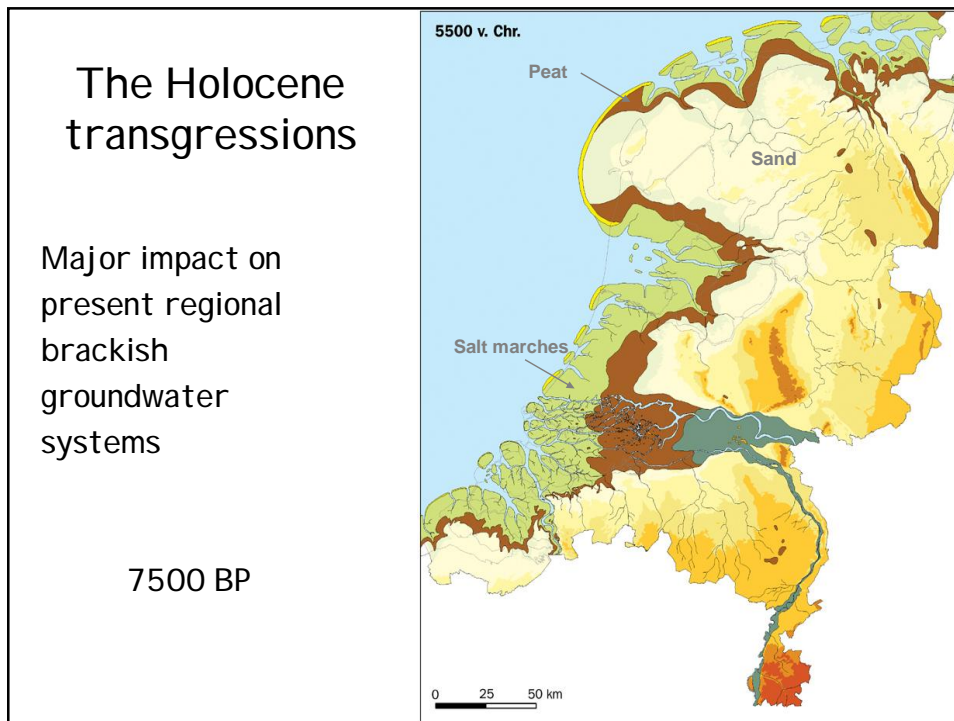
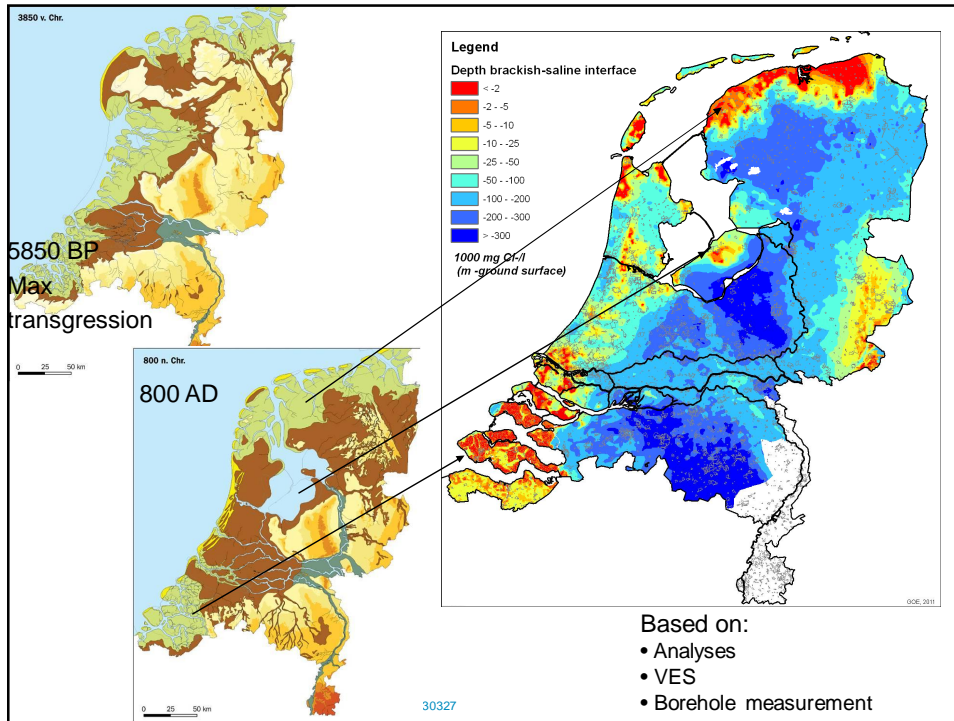
## Saltwater intrusion in the Dutch coastal zone



## Palaeo hydrogeological modelling

### Palaeo-modeling salt water intrusion during the Holocene: an application to the Netherlands

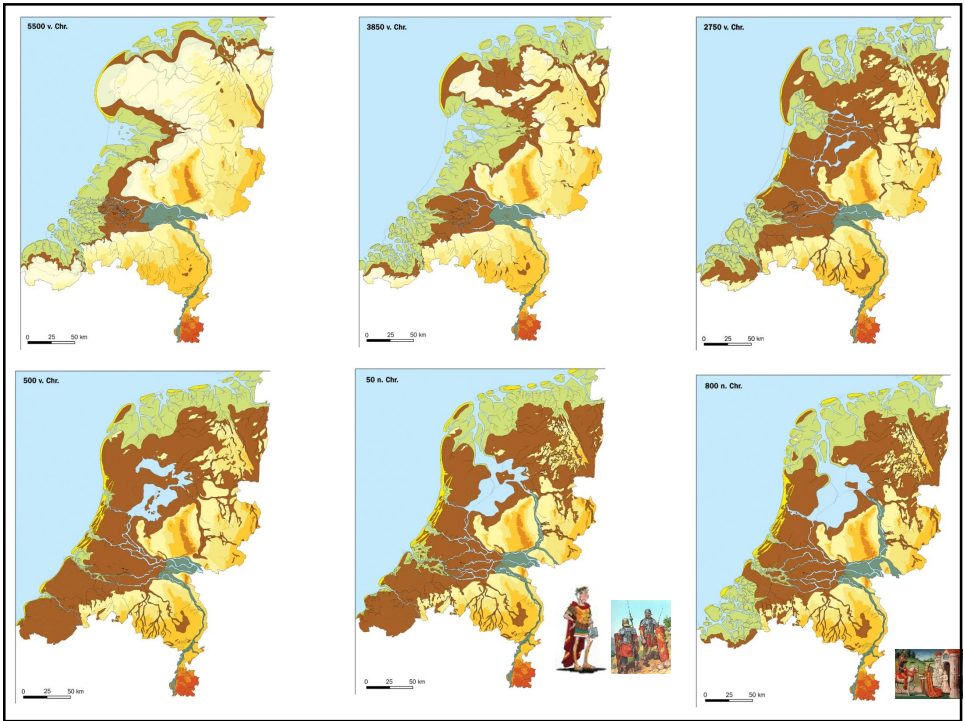
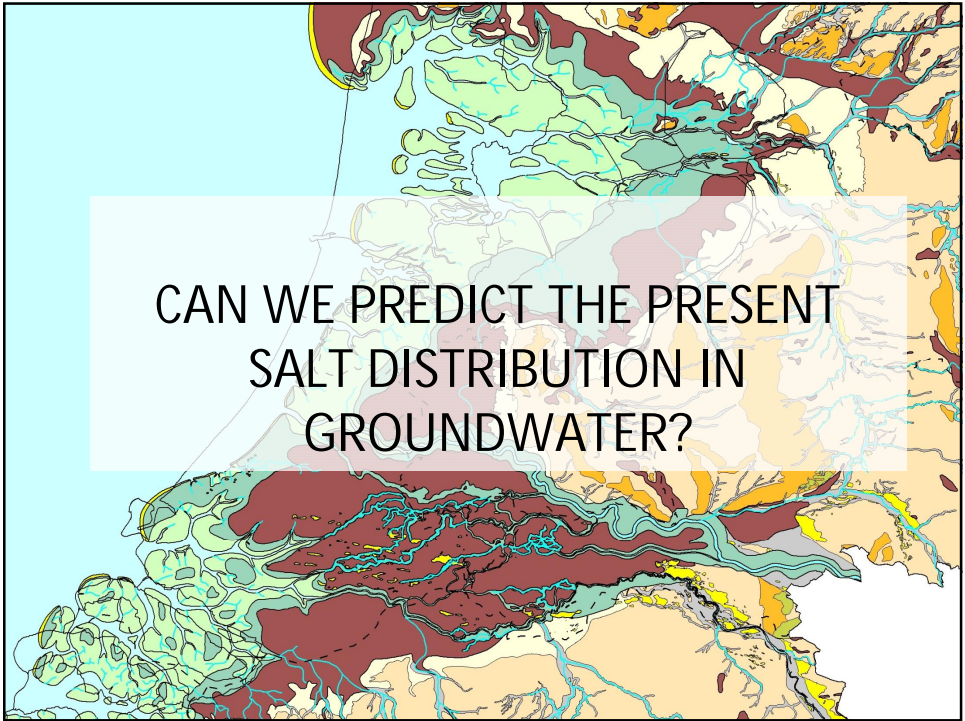
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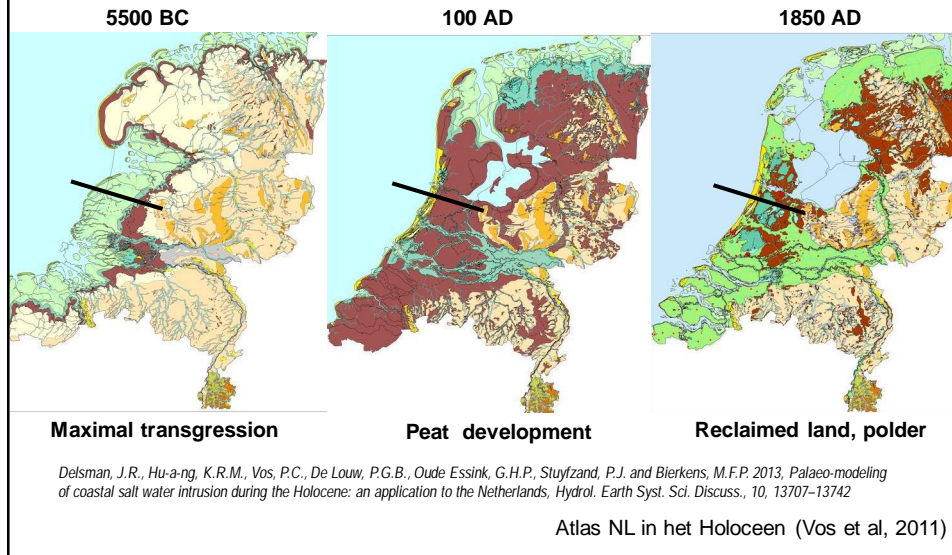
## The Holocene transgressions

Major impact on present regional brackish groundwater systems



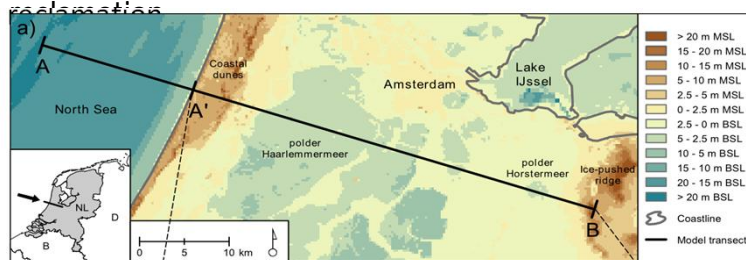


## Palaeogeographical development



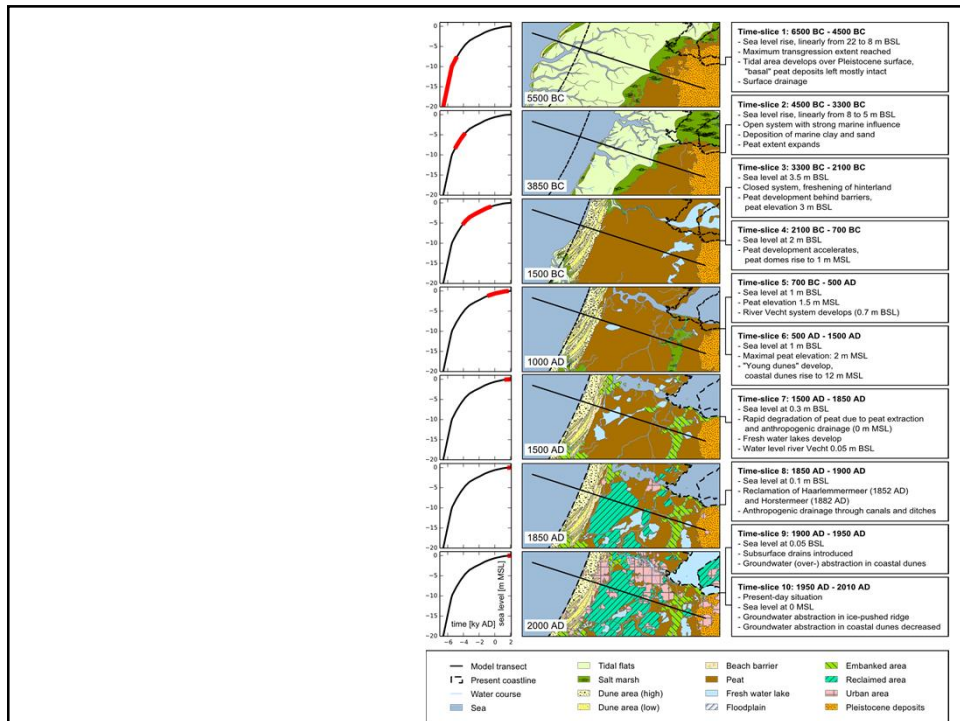
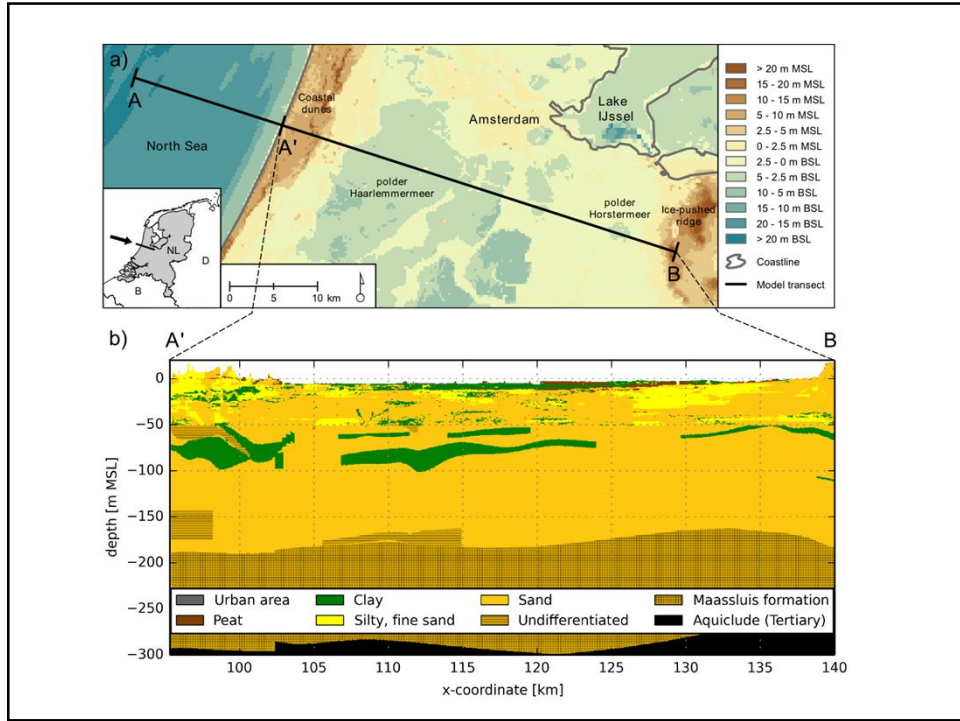
## Occurrence of salt under the polder Haarlemmermeer

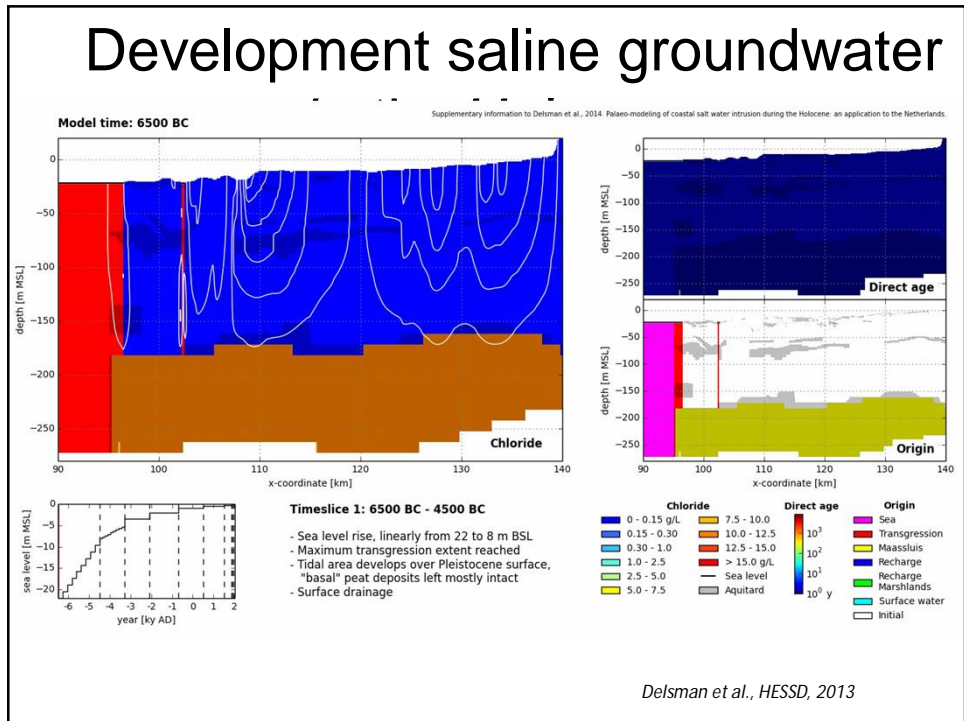
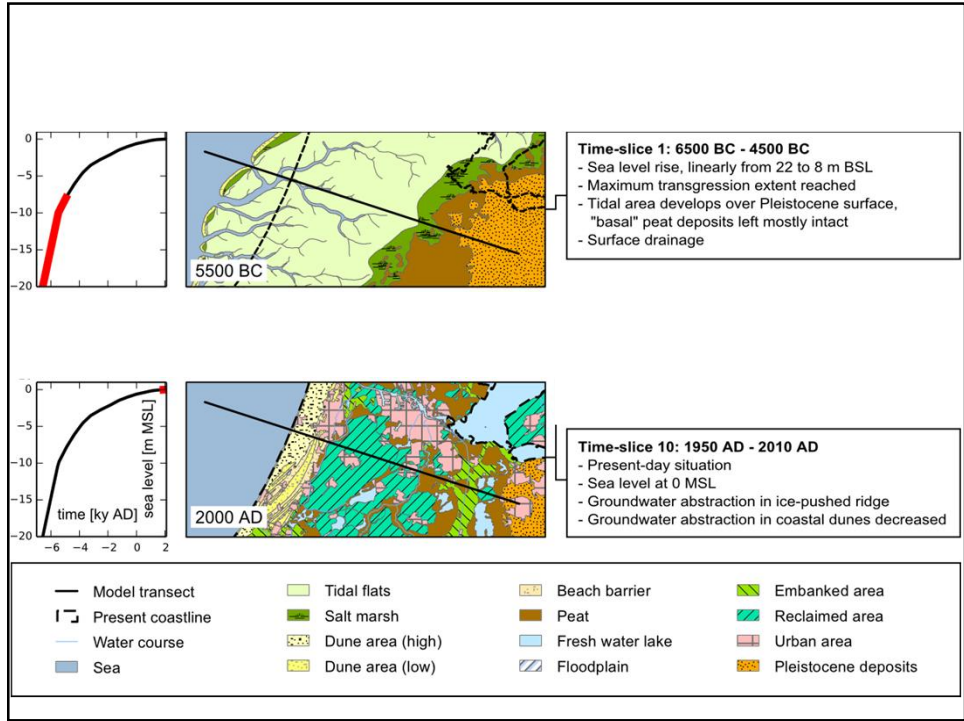
- Model profile Zandvoort - Hoofddorp – Hilversum
- Palaeogeographical development (Vos et al, 2011)
- 6500 BC - 2010 AD
- marine transgression
- Peat development, peat degradation, drainage, reclamation

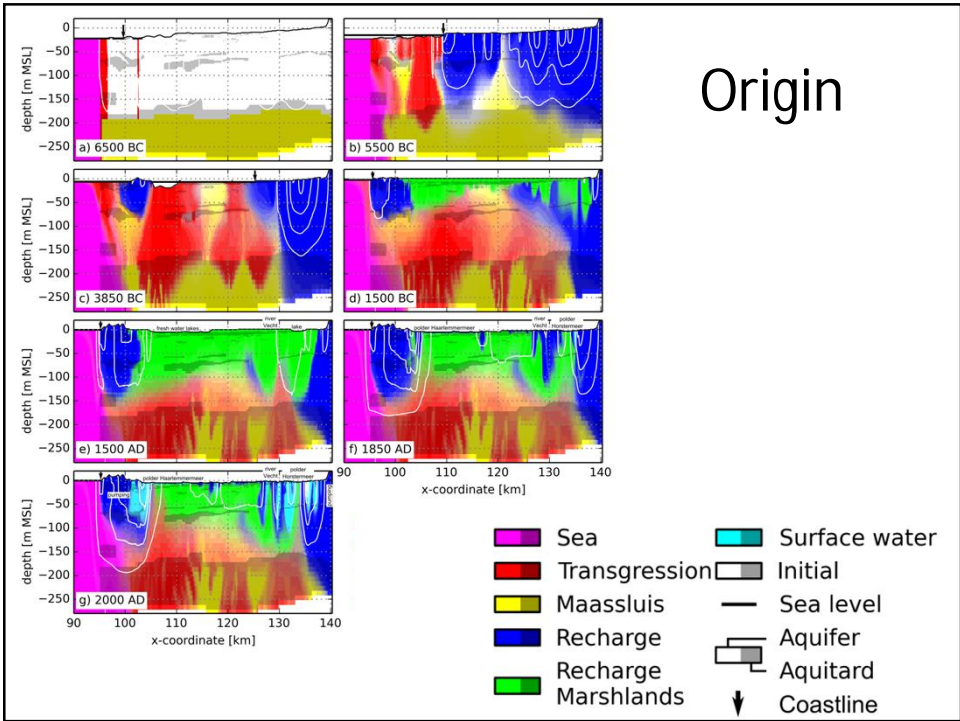
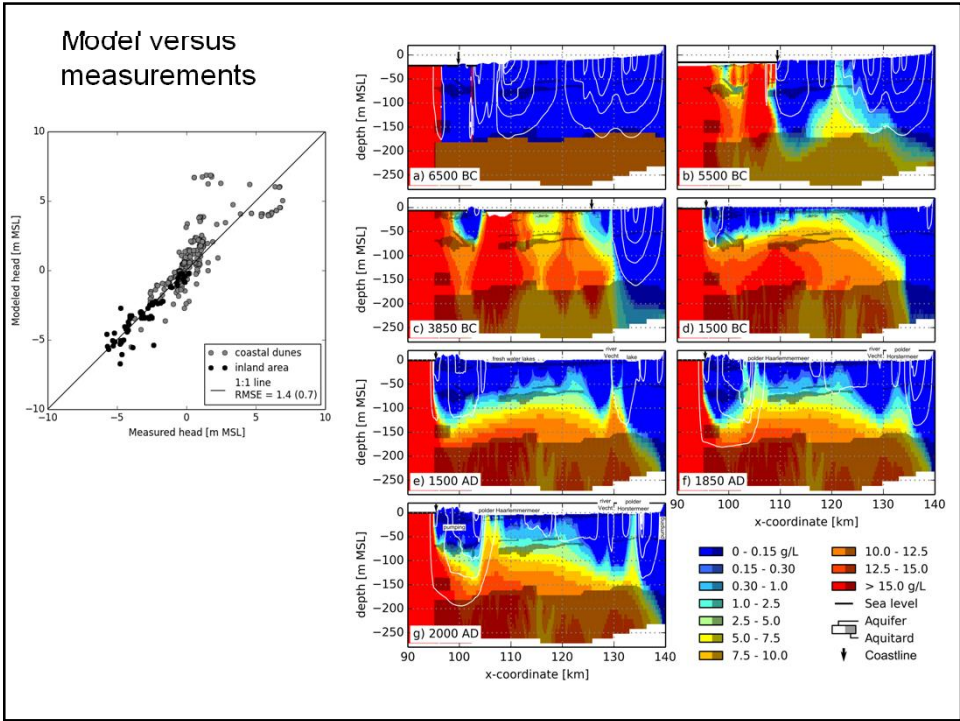


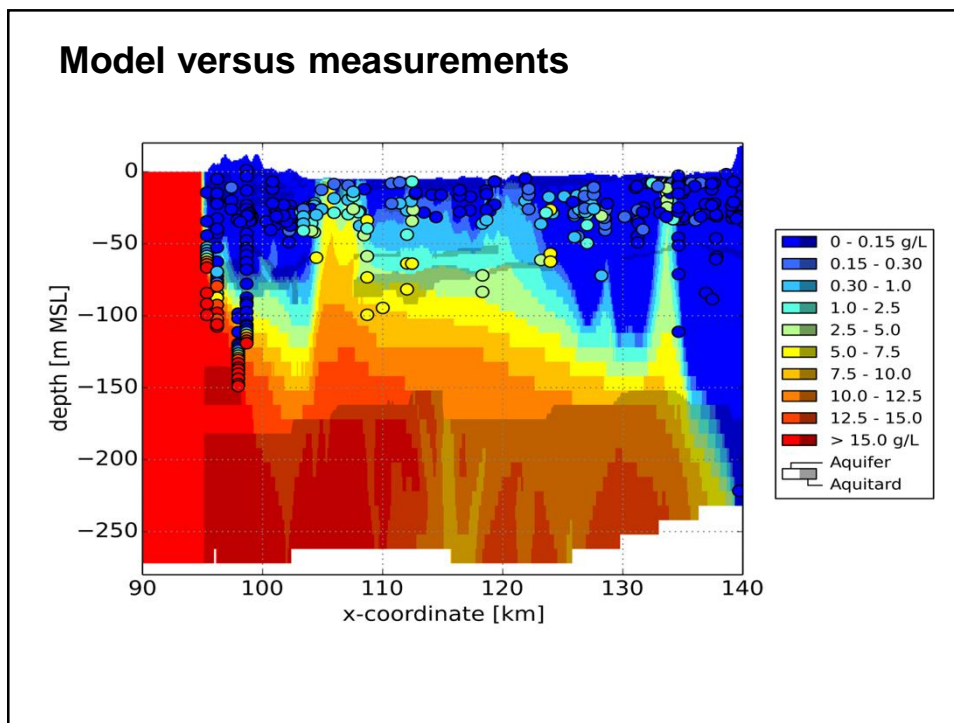
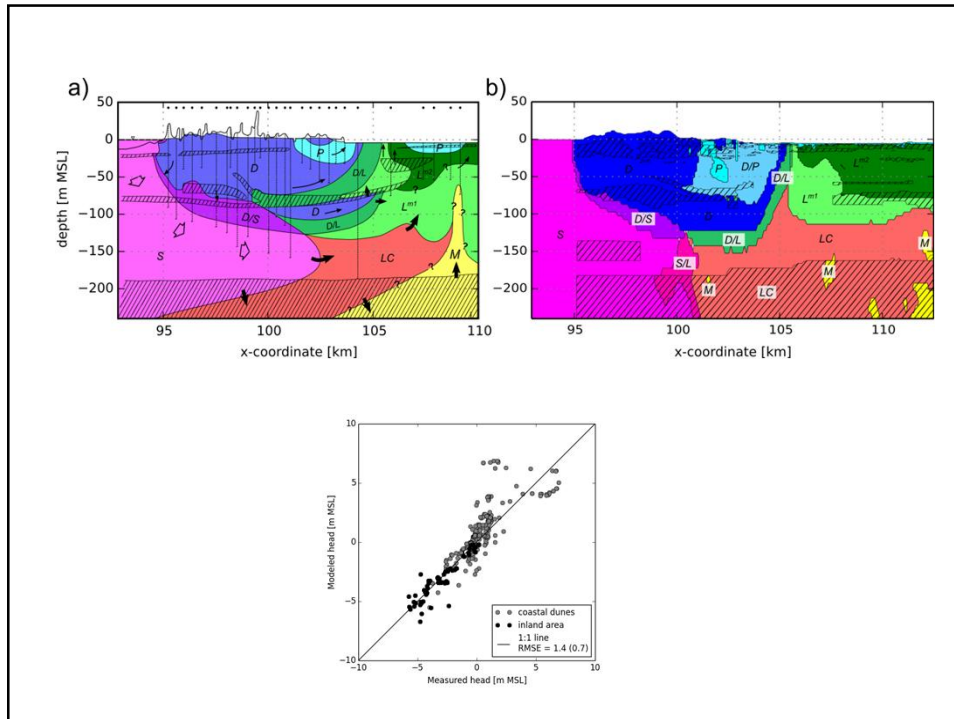
Delsman et al., HESS, 2013











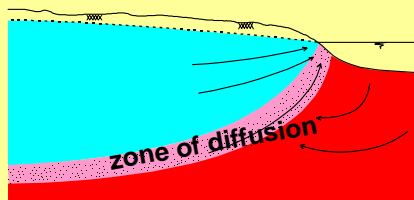
# Sharp interface between fresh and saline groundwater

Introduction

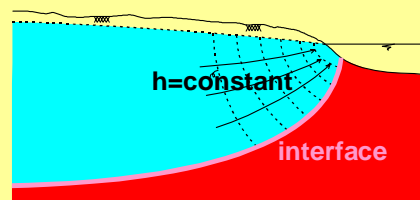
## Badon Ghyben-Herzberg principle

Difference between reality and Badon Ghyben-Herzberg approximation

concept: mixing zone in reality



concept: interface between fresh and saline groundwater

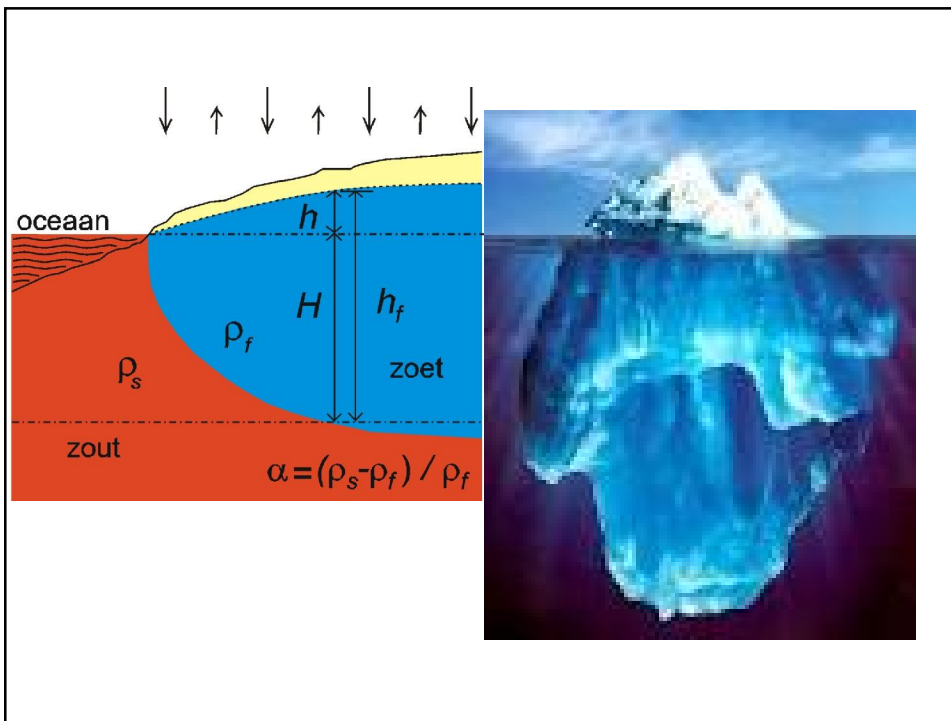
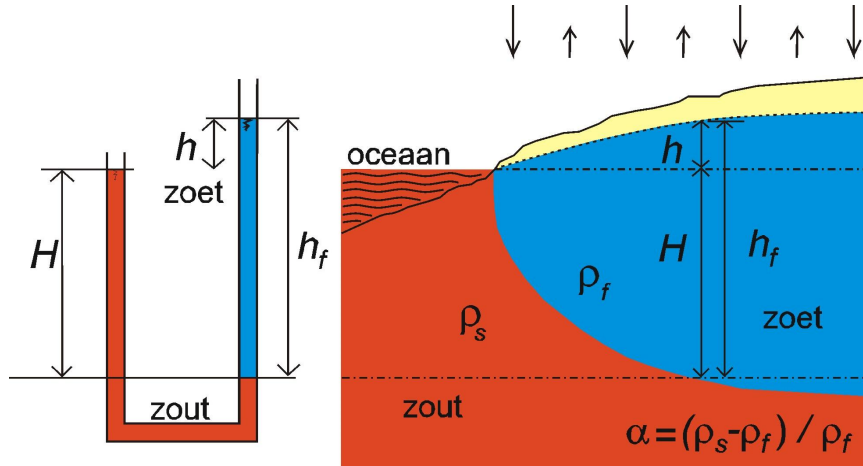




## Badon Ghijben-Herzberg principle

The principle suggests an interface between fresh and saline groundwater

Analogy: iceberg & saline ocean and granite tectonic plate & basalt base

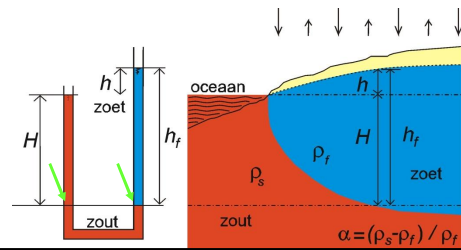


pressure saline groundwater = pressure fresh groundwater

$$\rho_s H g = \rho_f (H + h) g$$

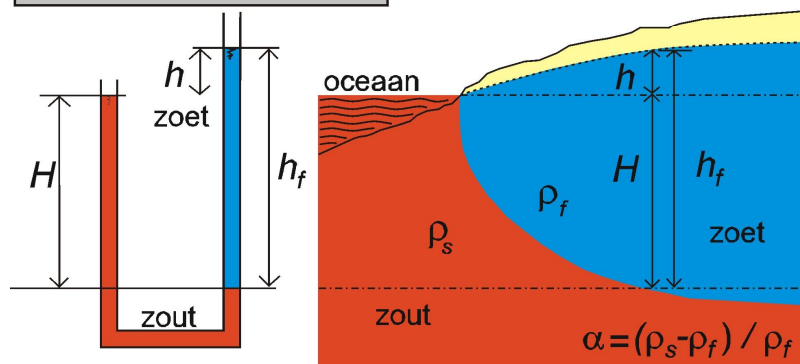
$$h = \frac{\rho_s - \rho_f}{\rho_f} H$$

$$h = \alpha H$$



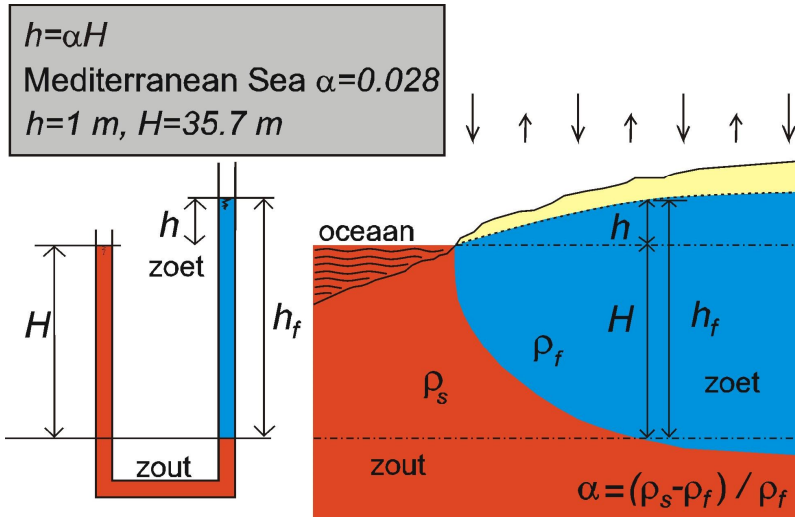
$$h = \alpha H$$

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 in ocean water  $\alpha = 0.025$   
 $h = 1 \text{ m}, H = 40 \text{ m}$





$$h = \alpha H$$



## Badon Ghyben-Herzberg principle

- gives analytical solutions (see later and lectures)
- educational
  
- interface is a simple approximation
- dispersion zone <10m
- relative simple geometries

## Badon Ghyben-Herzberg principle

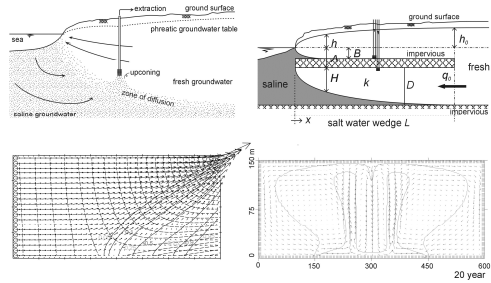
What is the case then  $h \neq \alpha H$ ?

1. still dynamic situation
2. occurrence resistance layer
3. natural groundwater recharge not constant
4. relative density difference  $\alpha$  is not ok
5. occurrence shallow bedrock
6. groundwater extractions

## Analytical solutions

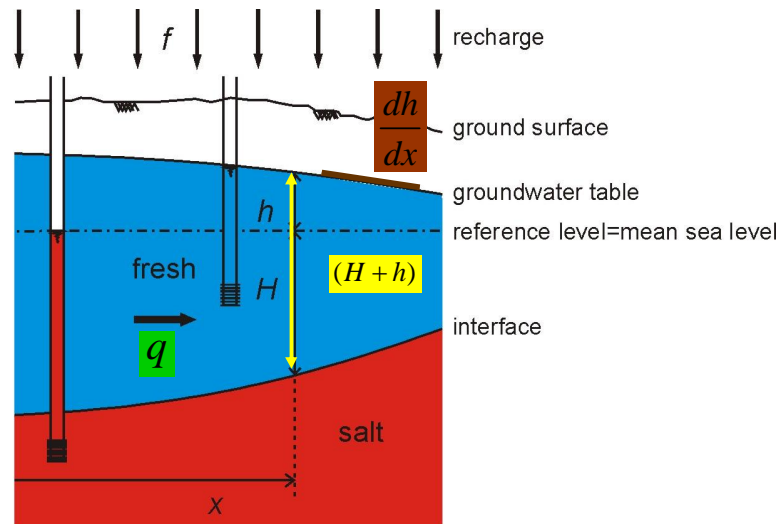
# Analytical solutions

See lecture notes *Density dependent groundwater flow* (p. 29-48)



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## Unconfined aquifer (1D situation)

$$dq = f dx \quad \text{integration gives} \quad q = fx + C1$$

$$-k(H + h)\frac{dh}{dx} = fx + C1$$

$$h = \alpha H \rightarrow -k(H + \alpha H)\alpha \frac{dH}{dx} = fx + C1$$

$$H dH = -\frac{fx + C1}{k\alpha(1 + \alpha)} dx$$

## Unconfined aquifer (1D situation)

$$HdH = -\frac{fx + C1}{k\alpha(1+\alpha)} dx$$

integration  
gives

$$\frac{1}{2}H^2 = \frac{-\frac{1}{2}fx^2 - C1x + C2}{k\alpha(1+\alpha)}$$

$$H = \sqrt{\frac{-fx^2 - 2C1x + 2C2}{k\alpha(1+\alpha)}}$$

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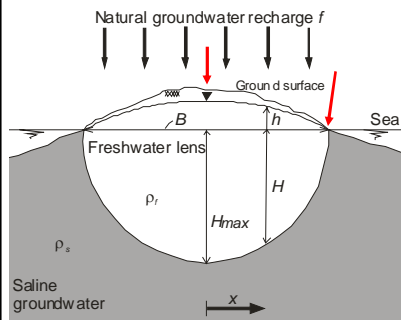
$$H = \sqrt{\frac{-fx^2 - 2C1x + 2C2}{k\alpha(1+\alpha)}}$$

$$h = \alpha H$$

$$q = fx + C1$$

## Example 1: Elongated island

$$H = \sqrt{\frac{-fx^2 - 2C_1x + 2C_2}{k\alpha(1+\alpha)}} \quad q = fx + C_1$$

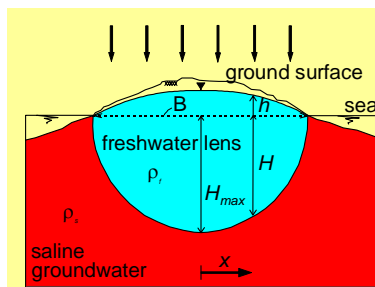


Boundary conditions

$$x = 0: q = 0 \rightarrow C_1 = 0$$

$$x = 0.5B: H = 0 \rightarrow C_2 = fB^2/8$$

## Example of analytical solutions (I)



Depth of fresh-saline interface H

$$H = \sqrt{\frac{f(0.25B^2 - x^2)}{k\alpha(1+\alpha)}}$$

$$h = \alpha H$$

Maximal thickness lens

$$H_{\max} = \frac{1}{2}B \sqrt{\frac{f}{k\alpha(1+\alpha)}}$$

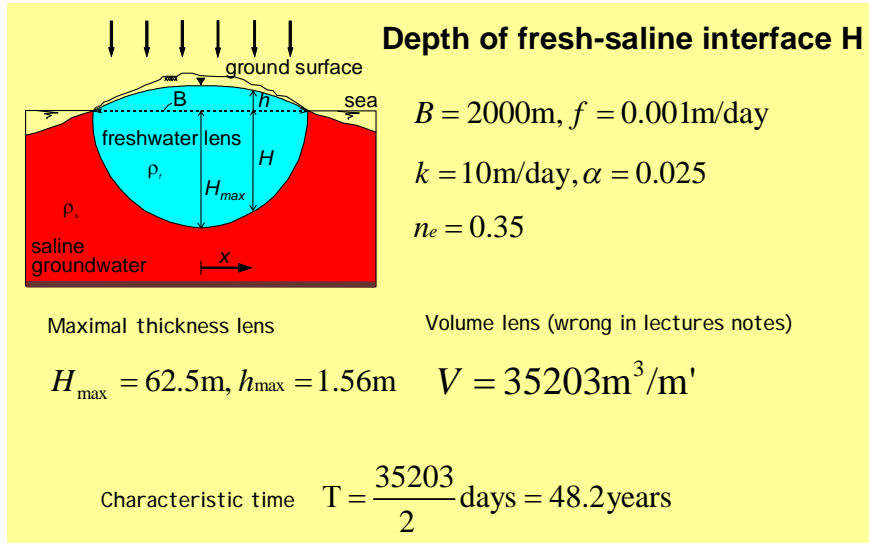
Volume lens

$$V = \frac{1}{4}\pi(1+\alpha)H_{\max} B n_e$$

$$\text{Characteristic time } T = \frac{\text{volume of water in lens}}{\text{inflow of water}} = \frac{\pi n_e B}{8} \sqrt{\frac{(1+\alpha)}{kf\alpha}}$$



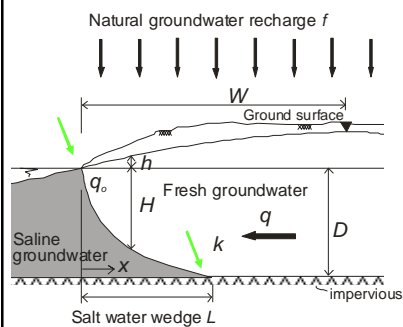
## Example of analytical solutions (I)



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## Example 2: salt water wedge

$$H = \sqrt{\frac{-fx^2 - 2C_1x + 2C_2}{k\alpha(1+\alpha)}} \quad q = fx + C_1$$



Boundary conditions

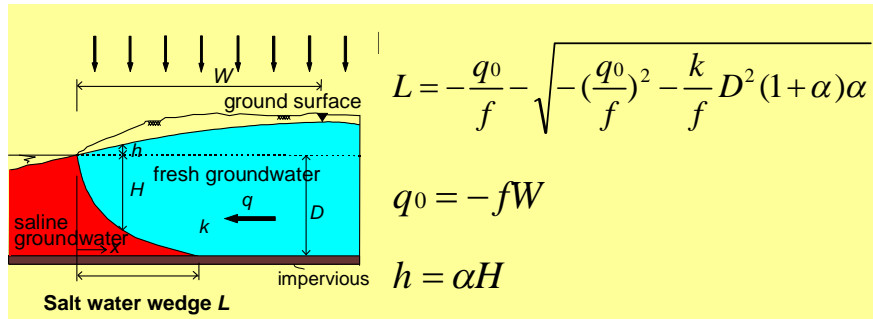
$$x = 0: q = q_0 \rightarrow q_0 = -fW \rightarrow C_1 = q_0$$

$$x = 0: H = 0 \rightarrow C_2 = 0$$

Length of salt water wedge

$$x = L: H = D$$

## Example of analytical solutions (II)



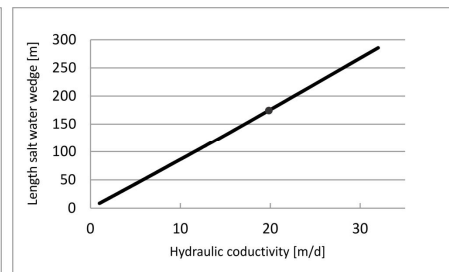
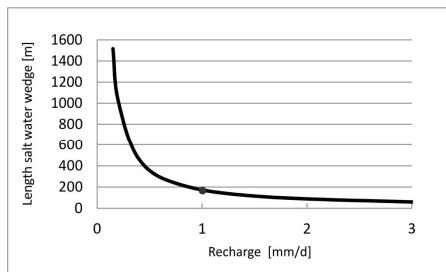
Example:

$$W = 3000\text{m}, f = 0.001\text{m/day}, \alpha = 0.020, k = 20\text{m/day}, D = 50\text{m}$$

$$L = 175.1\text{m}$$

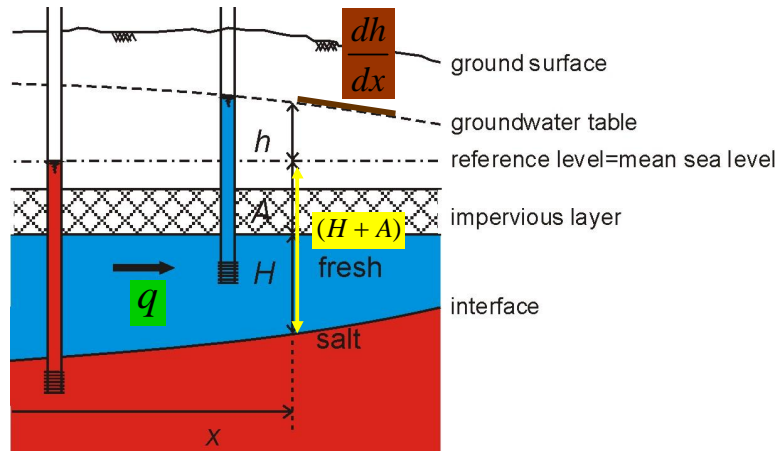
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*Length of the salt water wedge as a function of a. recharge and b. hydraulic conductivity*



*the dots resample with the example mentioned above*

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$$HdH = -\frac{q_0}{k\alpha} dx$$

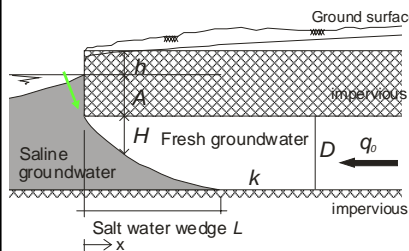
integration gives

$$\frac{1}{2} H^2 = \frac{q_0 x}{k\alpha} + C$$

$$H = \sqrt{-\frac{2q_0 x}{k\alpha} + 2C}$$

## Example 3: salt water wedge confined aquifer

$$H = \sqrt{-\frac{2q_0 x}{k\alpha} + 2C}$$



Boundary condition

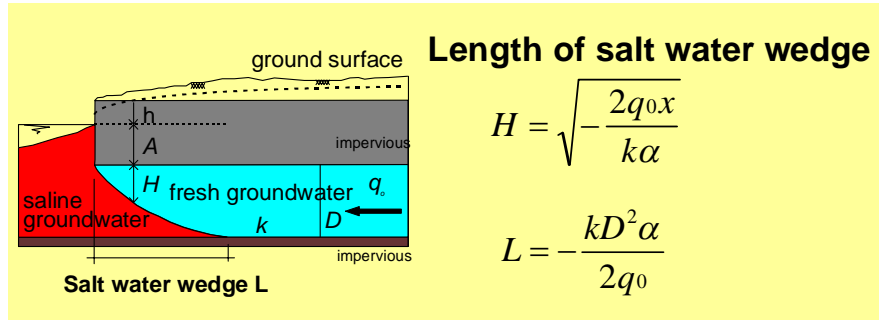
$$x = 0 : H = 0 \rightarrow C = 0$$

$$H = \sqrt{-\frac{2q_0 x}{k\alpha}}$$

Length of salt water wedge  $x = L : H = D$

$$L = -\frac{kD^2\alpha}{2q_0}$$

### Example of analytical solutions (III)



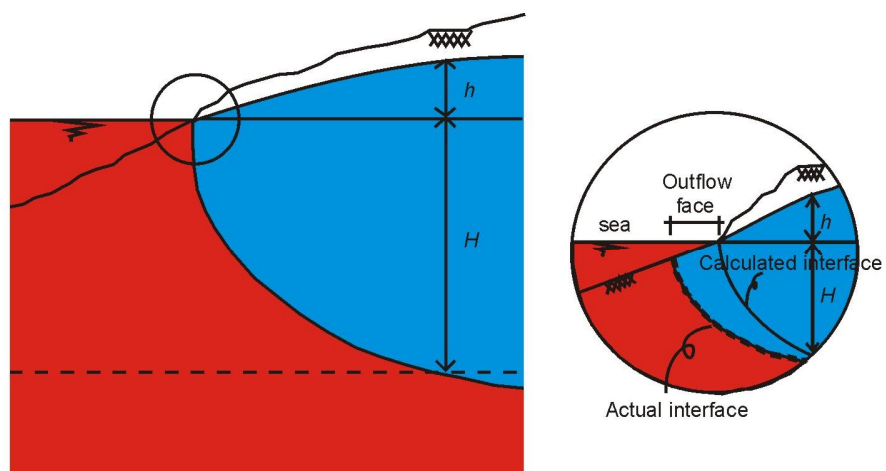
Example:

$$W = 2000\text{m}, f = 0.001\text{m/day}, \alpha = 0.025, k = 25\text{m/day}, D = 40\text{m}$$

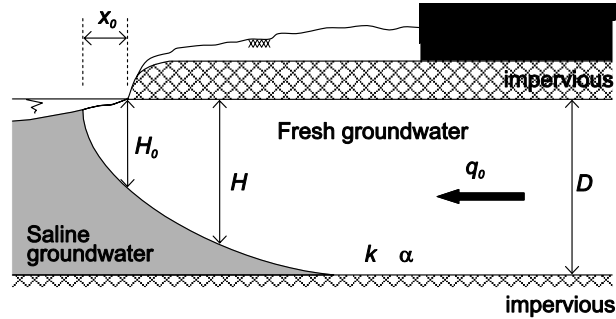
$$L = 250\text{m}$$

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$$x_0 = \frac{q_0}{2k\alpha} \quad H_0 = \frac{q_0}{k\alpha} \quad \text{Glover (1959)}$$

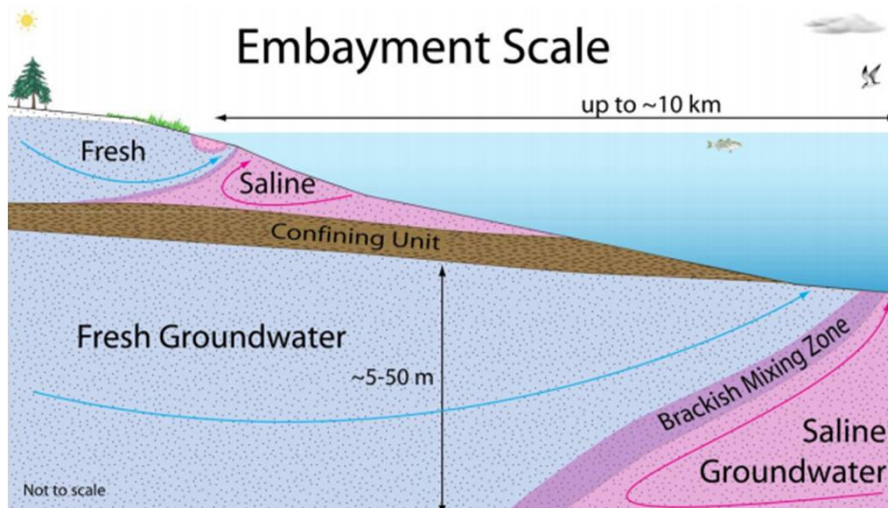
Example:

$$x_0 = f \cdot L / (2ka) = 0.001\text{m}/d \cdot 20000\text{m} / (2 \cdot 20 \cdot 0.025) = 20\text{m (only!)}$$

Note: no resistance layer offshore

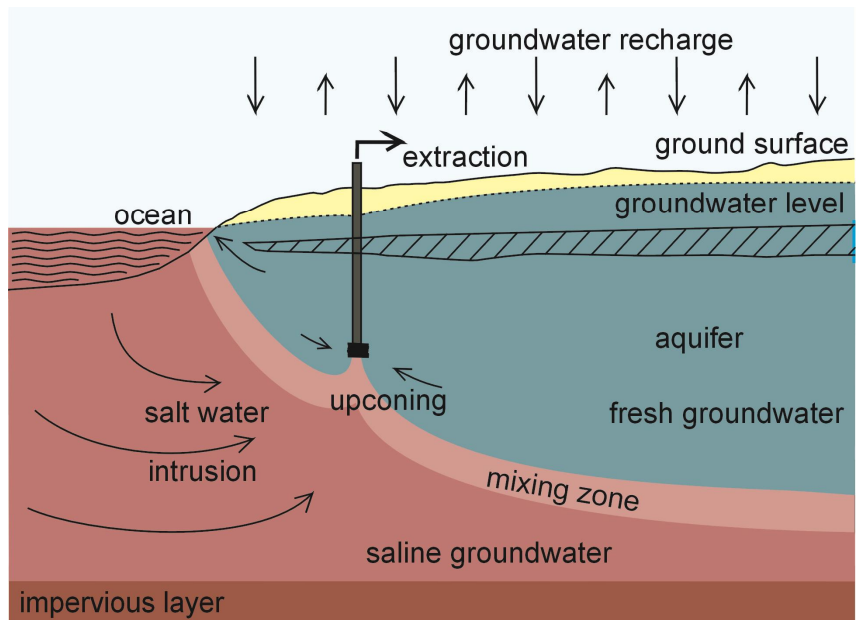
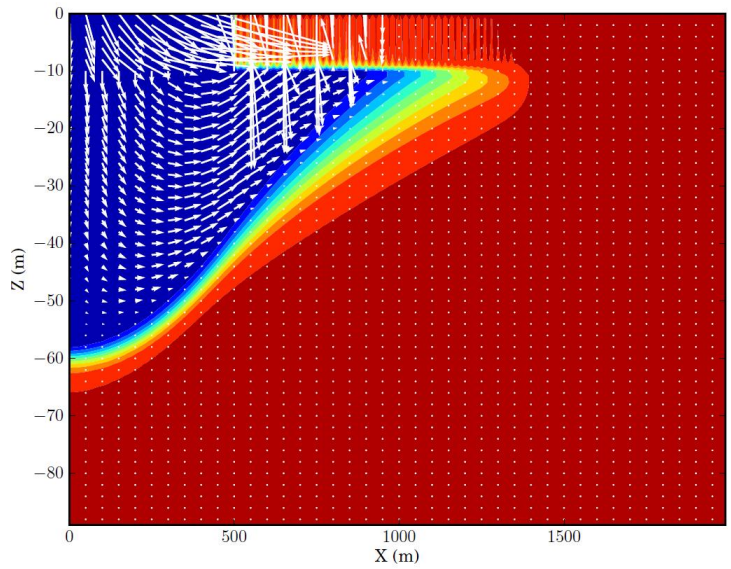
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#### Embayment Scale

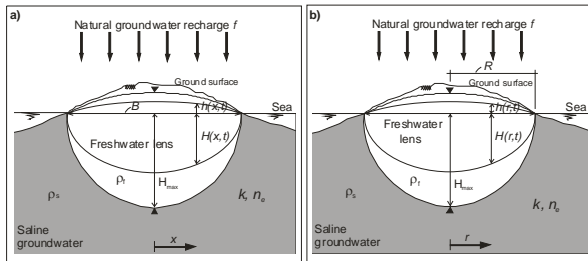
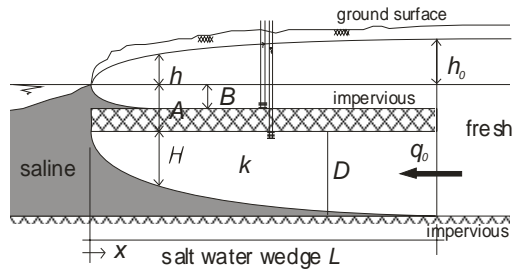




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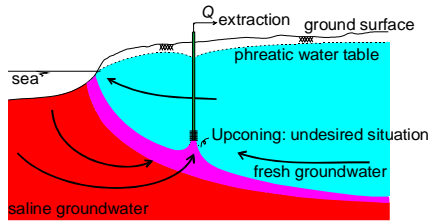
See the lectures for more cases



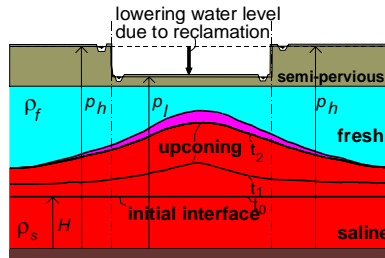
Upcoming processes

## Upconing of saline groundwater

Under an extraction well



Under a low-lying polder area

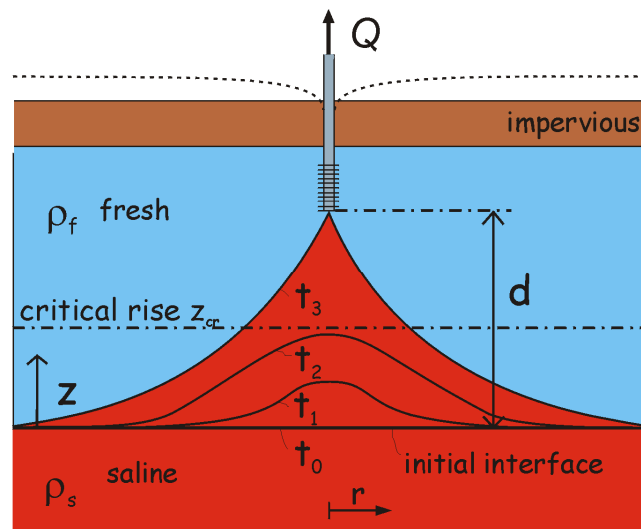


- movement of saline groundwater to extraction wells
- increase in salinity (>150-200 mg Cl-/l)
- lowering of the piezometric head (leads to land subsidence: e.g. Los Angeles: 9 m in the 1930's)

'Solutions': reduce extraction rate, abandon well, inundate polder

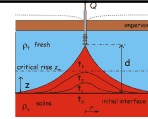
## Examples of analytical solutions (IV)

Upconing of saline groundwater under an extraction well



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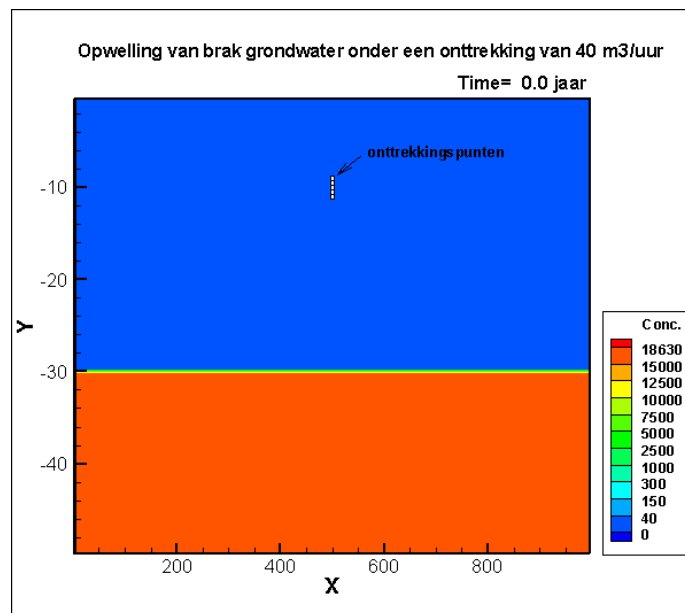
$$z(r, t) = \frac{Q}{2\pi\alpha k_x d} \left[ \frac{1}{(1 + R'^2)^{1/2}} - \frac{1}{[(1 + \gamma')^2 + R'^2]^{1/2}} \right]$$

$$R' = \frac{r k_z}{d k_x} \quad \gamma' = \frac{\alpha k_z}{2n_e d} t$$

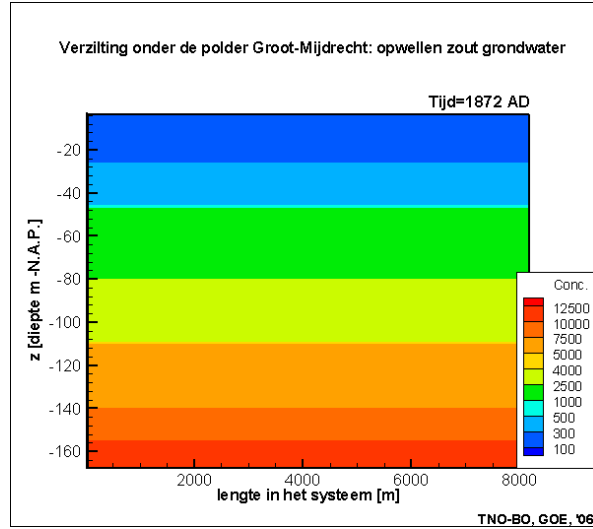
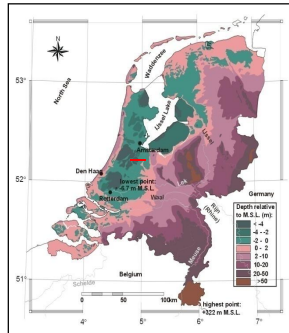
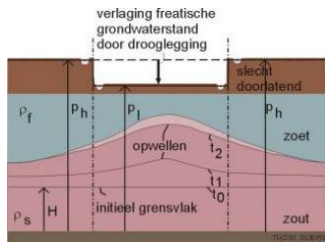
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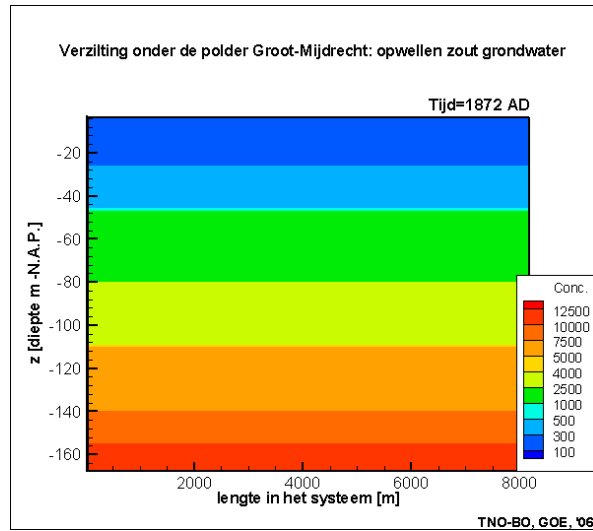
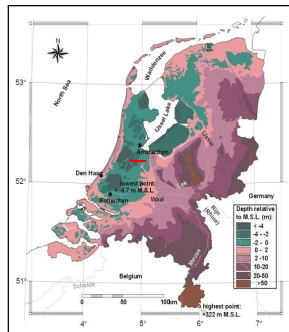
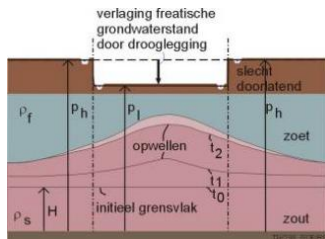
## Upconing of salt under an extraction



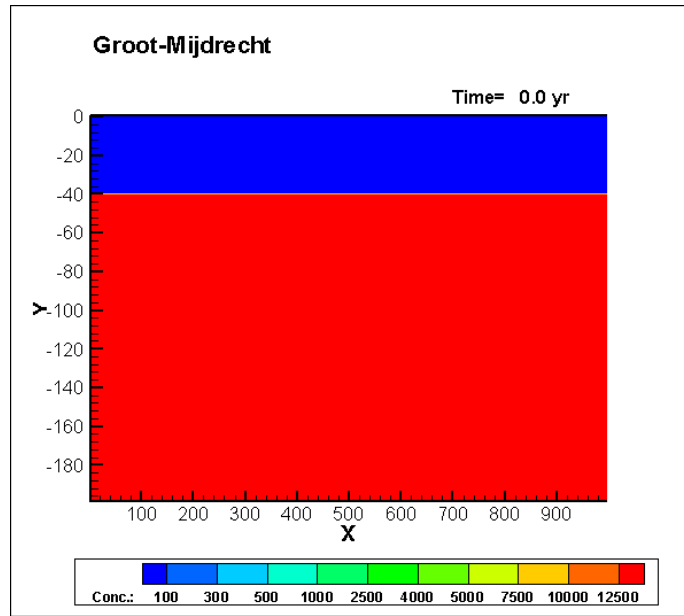
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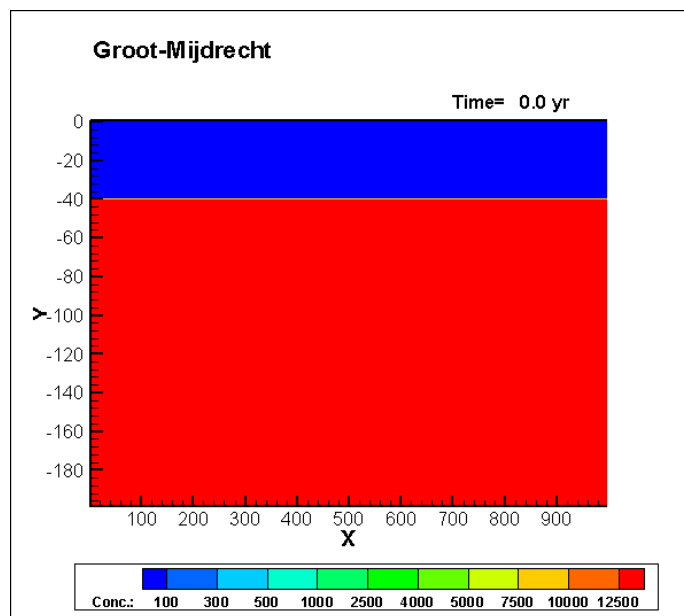
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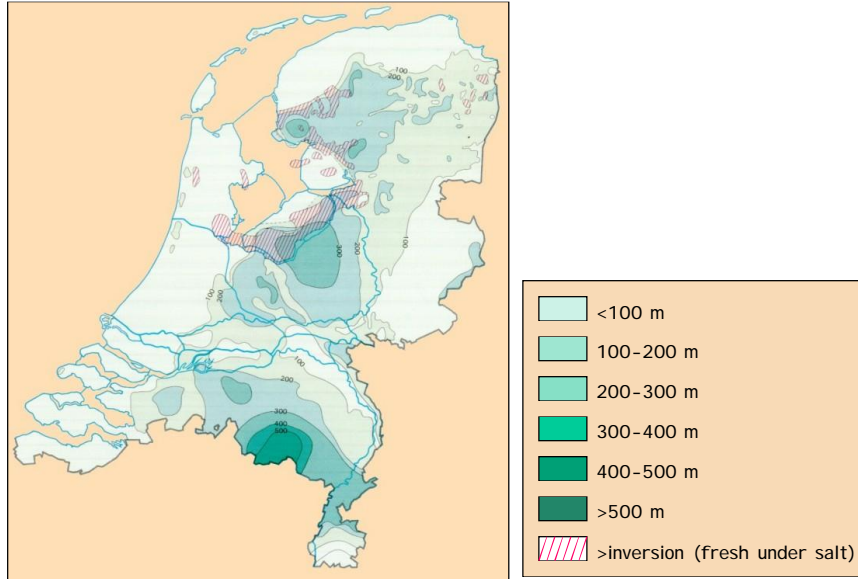


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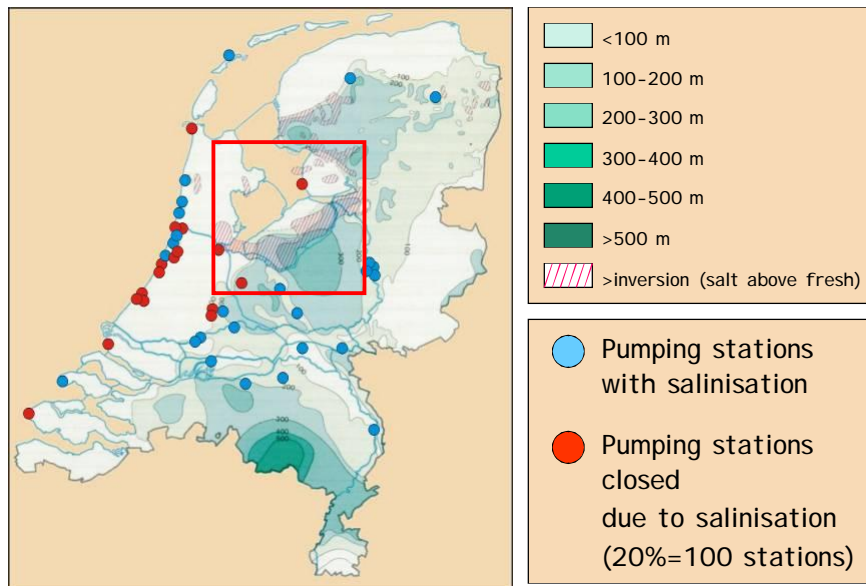




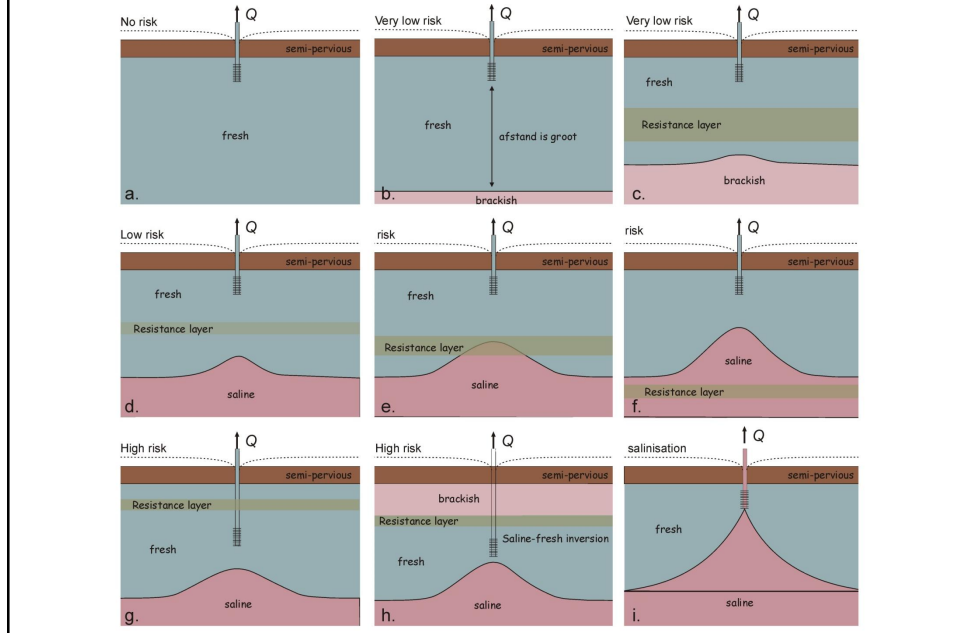
### Fresh-salt interface (150 mg Cl<sup>-</sup>/l)



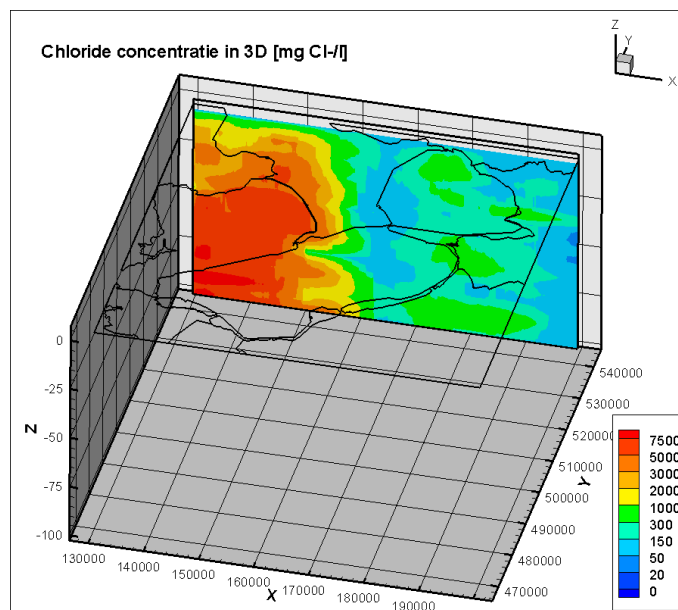
### Availability of fresh groundwater



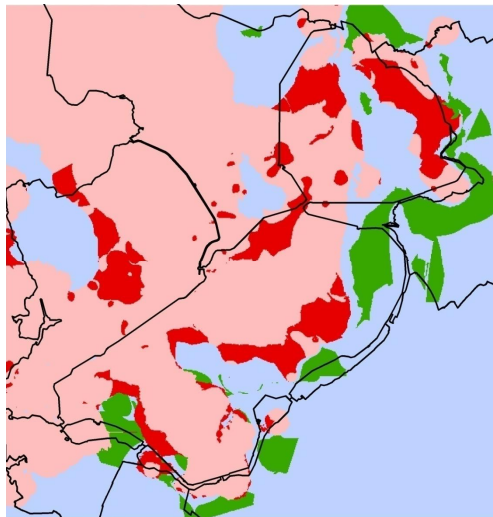
## Different risks of upconing saline groundwater



## Animation 3D Chloride concentration

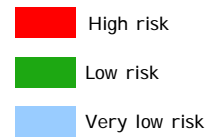


## Upconing in Flevoland



Risk depends on:

- Initial position interface
- Resistance layers
- Existence inversion
- Extraction rate and scheme



## Compensating measures

### Possible solutions to stop salt water intrusion:

- Restriction of groundwater extractions through permits
- Co-operation between authorities and water users
- Desalinisation of saline water
- Technical countermeasures of salt water intrusion
  - six examples

### Tools to understand salt water intrusion:

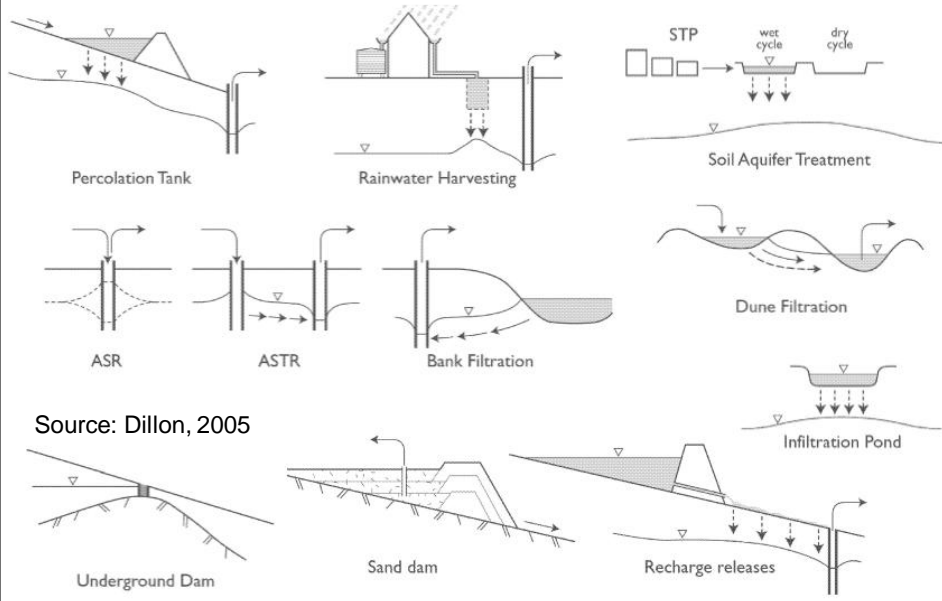
- Monitoring of salinities and piezometric levels
- Numerical modelling of salt water intrusion

### Measures to compensate salt water intrusion

- 'The Fresh Holder'
- Extraction of saline/brackish groundwater
- Infiltration of fresh surface water
- Modifying pumping rates
- Land reclamation in front of the coast
- Creating physical barriers (crystallisation or biosealing)

## Aquifer Storage and Recovery

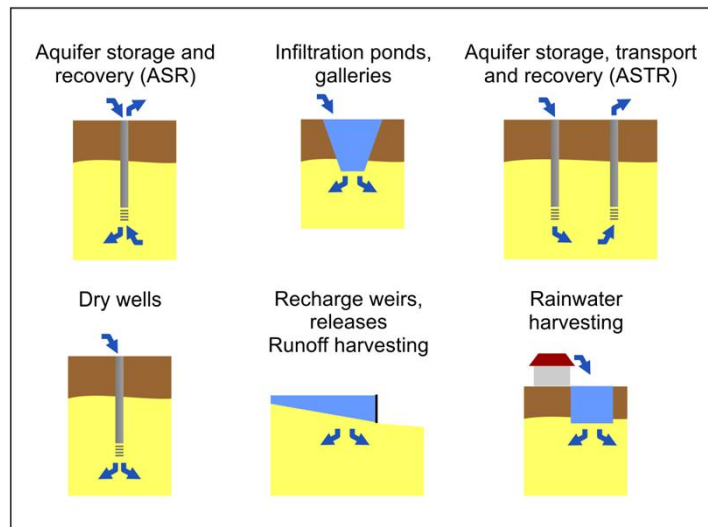
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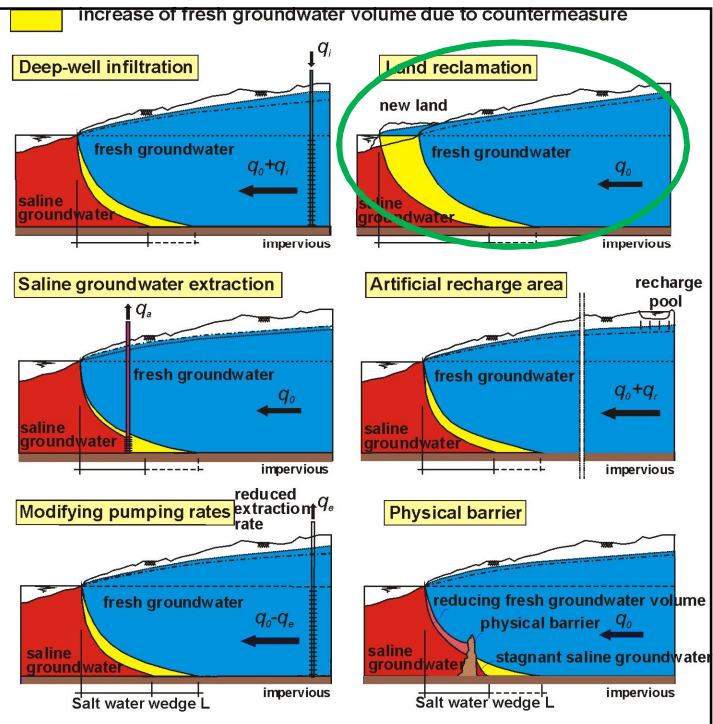
## Aquifer Storage and Recovery / Managed Aquifer Recharge

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Technical measures to compensate salt water intrusion



## Land reclamation

The Zandmotor: effects at the hinterland?



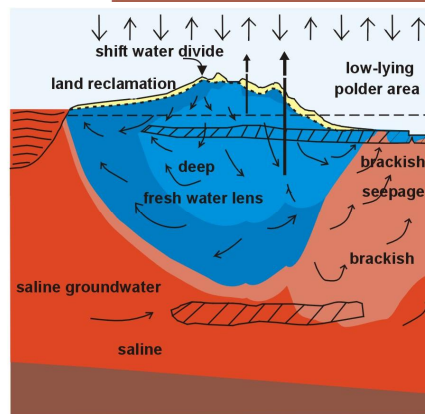
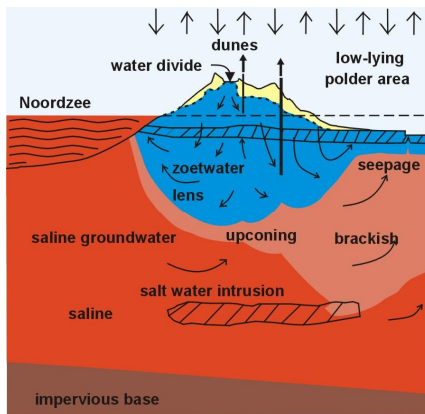
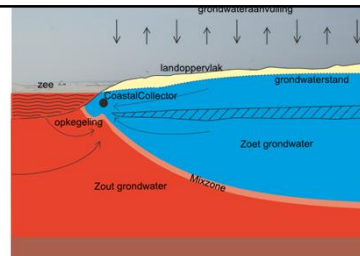


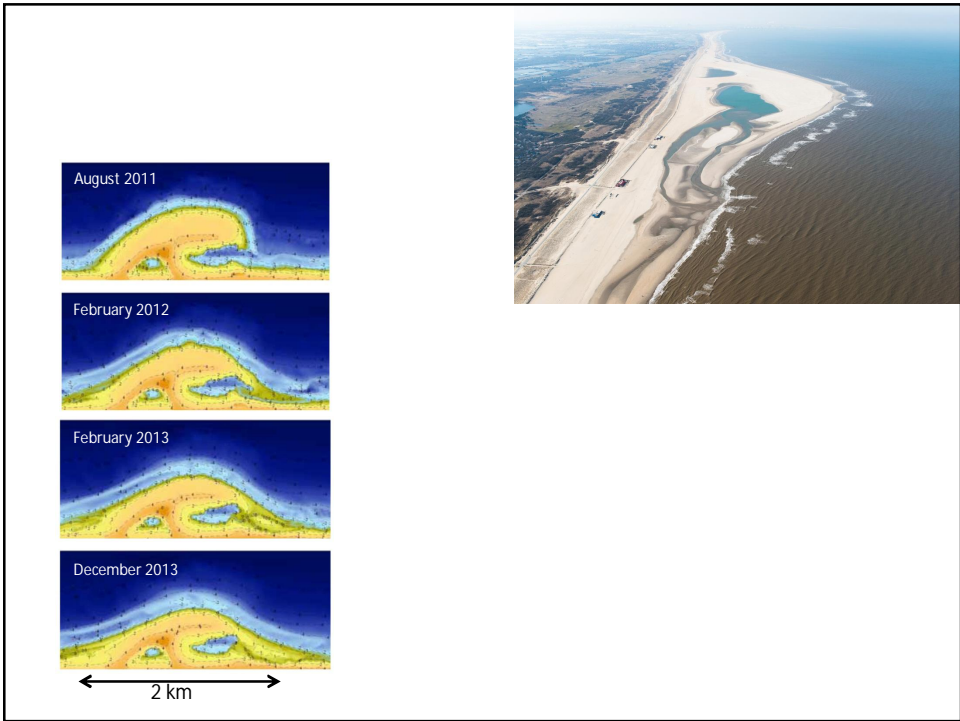
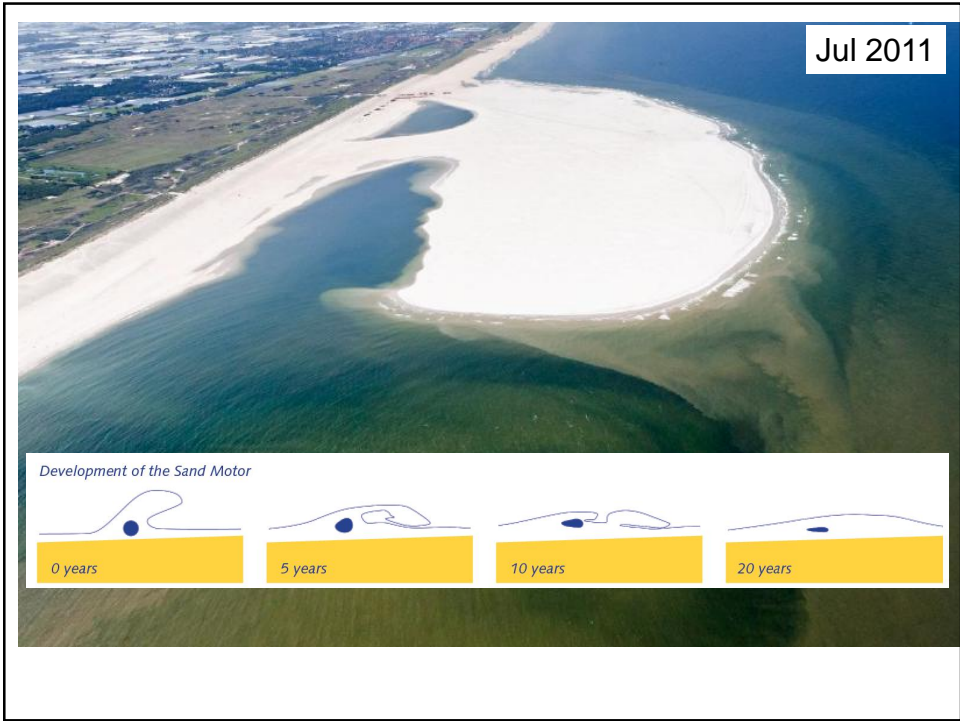


# The Zandmotor: effects at the hinterland?



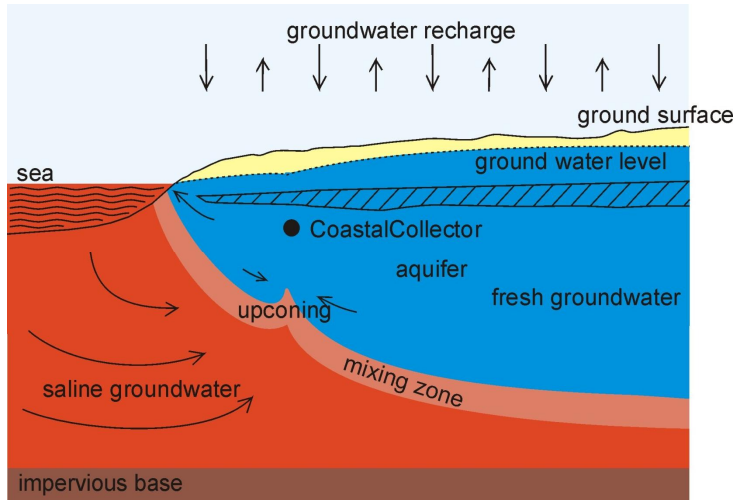
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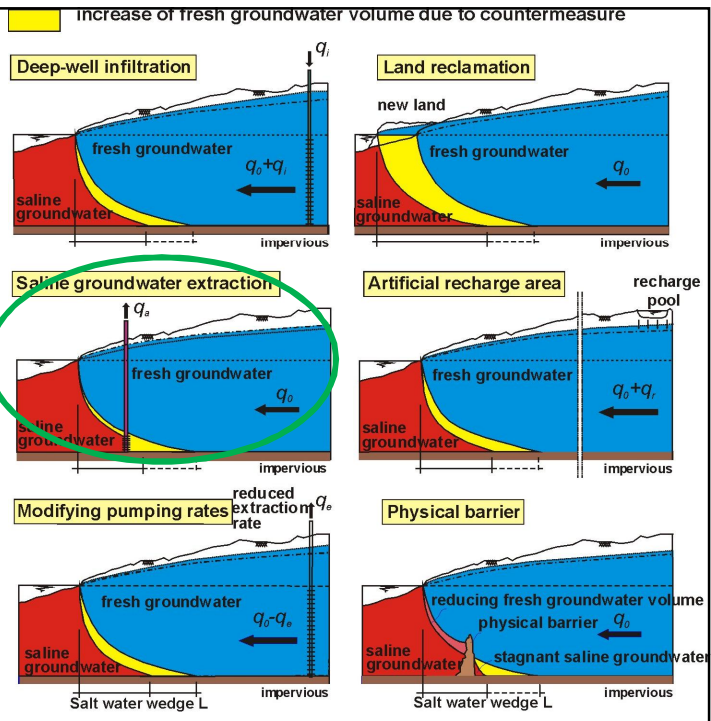




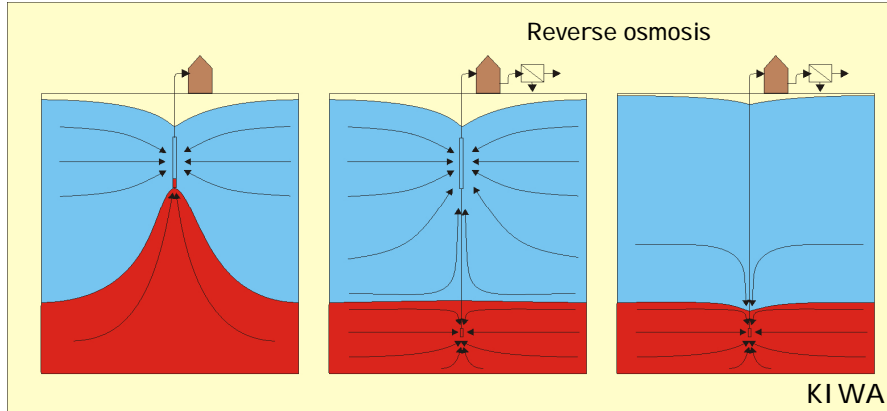
# The Coastal Collector



Technical measures to compensate salt water intrusion



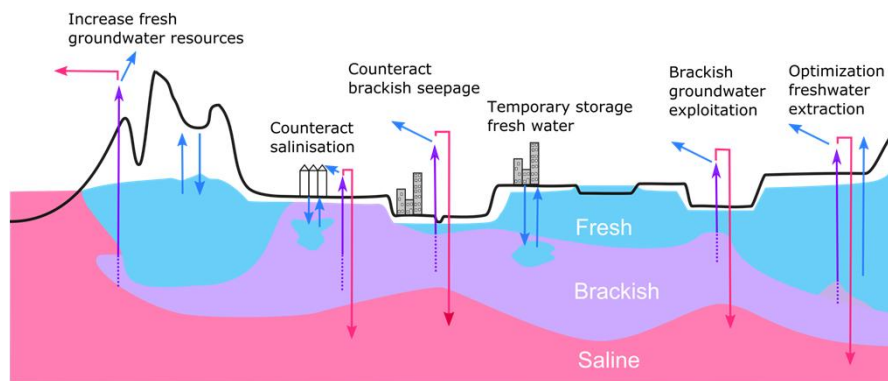
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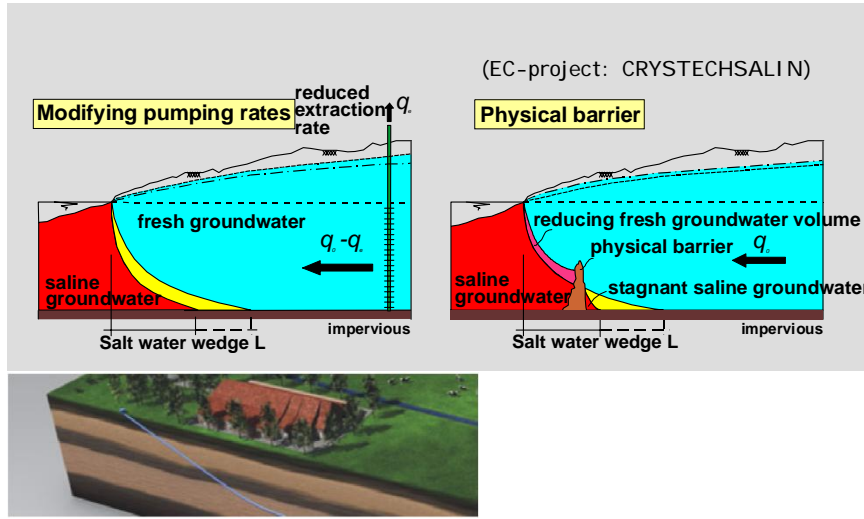
Upconing can be prevented by the extraction of brackish groundwater

This brackish groundwater can be transformed to water of agricultural water quality by using the membrane filtration technique

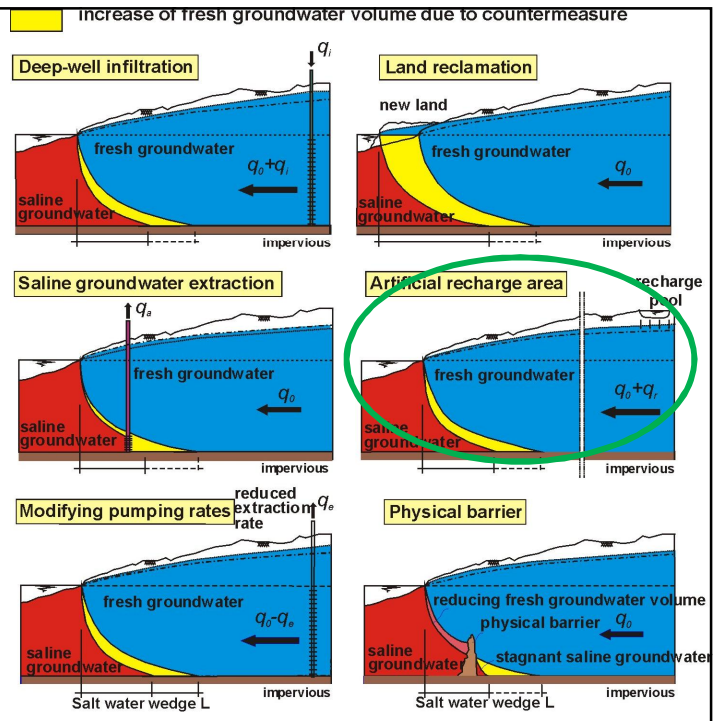
### COASTAR: COastal Aquifer STORAGE And Recovery



## Countermeasures of salt water intrusion



Technical measures to compensate salt water intrusion



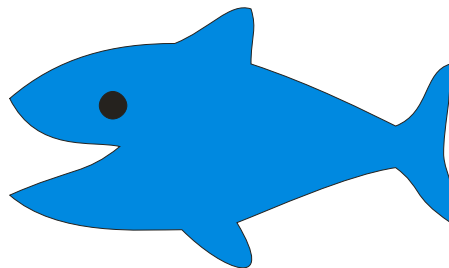


## Base idea

Many local solutions for fresh groundwater supply can have regional impact

## Starring

solution fresh groundwater supply



# Starring

Local solution fresh groundwater supply



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climate and global change



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# Solutions and responses

Local solution fresh  
groundwater supply

climate and global change



What should be the response?

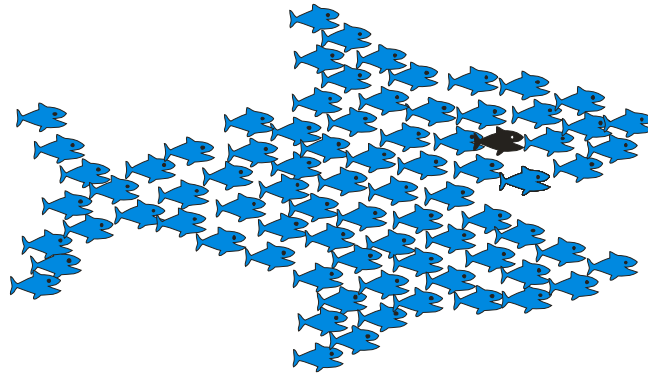
Many local solutions fresh groundwater supply

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Many local solutions for fresh groundwater supply can have regional impact!

- upscaling local cases to regional strategy
- assess economical feasibility
- increase impact: communicate our showcases
- working together



## Aquifer Storage and Recovery in the coastal zone



[www.go-fresh.info](http://www.go-fresh.info)

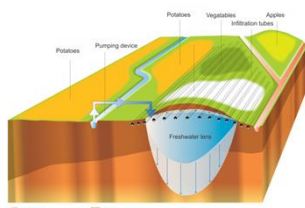
### Goal:

Increase fresh groundwater resources in saline seepage areas in the southwestern part of the Dutch Delta

### Methods:

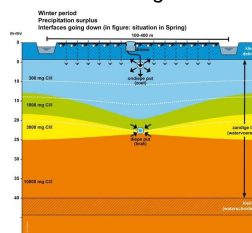
3 pilot studies: infiltration of fresh water in times of water excess and extraction in times of droughts

*Many small local solutions together can be enough for a regional fresh water supply*



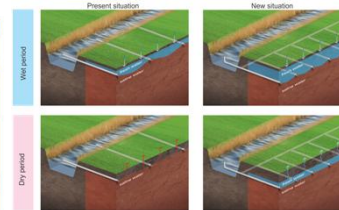
### Creekridge Infiltration Test

Increase fresh water in creek ridge by injection of fresh surface water and extraction of saline groundwater



### The Freshmaker

Increase fresh water volume in creek ridge by passive infiltration via drainage



### Drains2Buffer

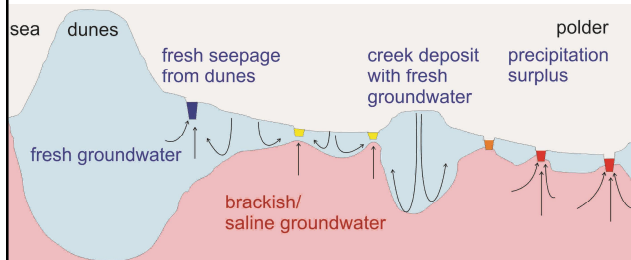
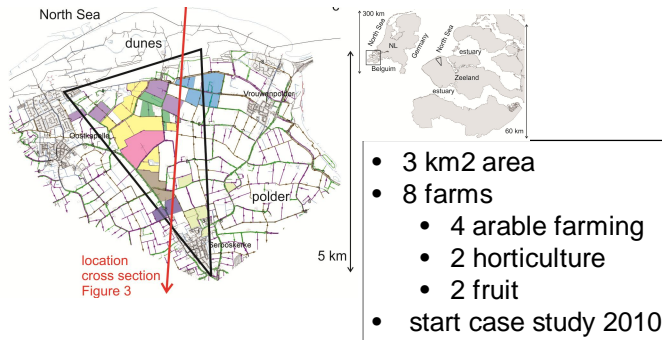
Maintain fresh water volume in shallow rainwater lenses by smart deep controlled drainage

## Problem statement

- Crop damage southwestern part of the Netherlands
- Fresh groundwater below creek ridges



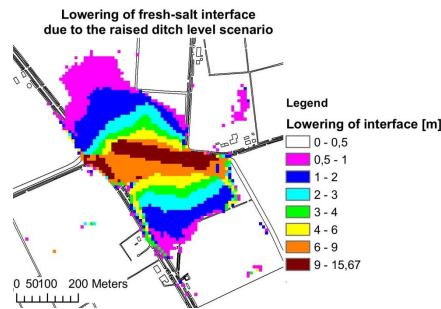
## Case study: Water Farm



- codesign measures
- communication to outside world



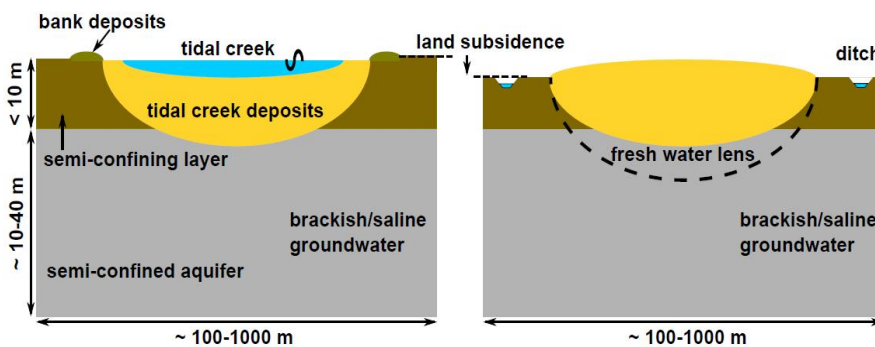
Researchers: scenario analysis



## Creek ridges

1200 AD; before land reclamation

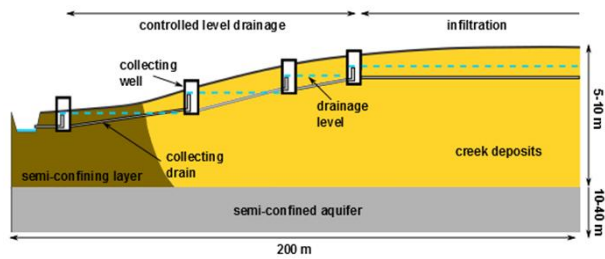
current situation



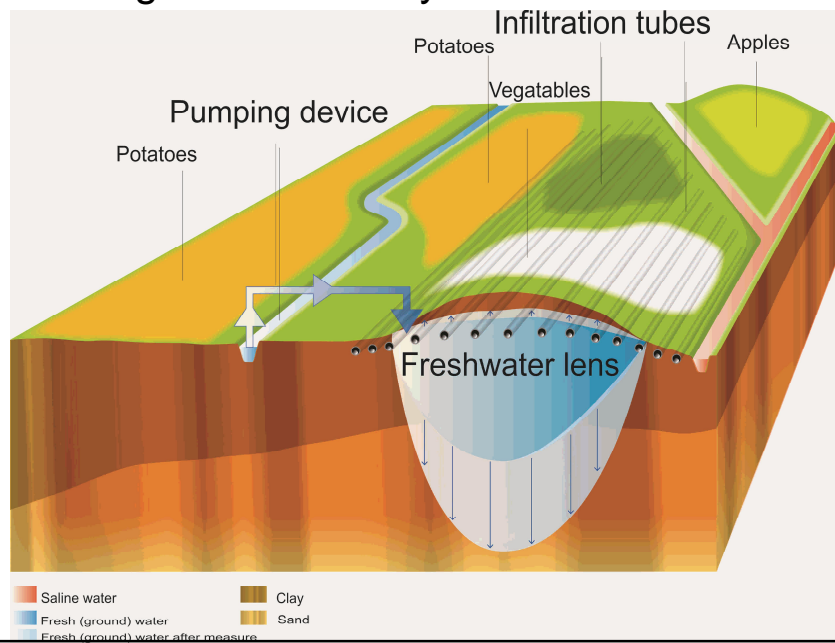


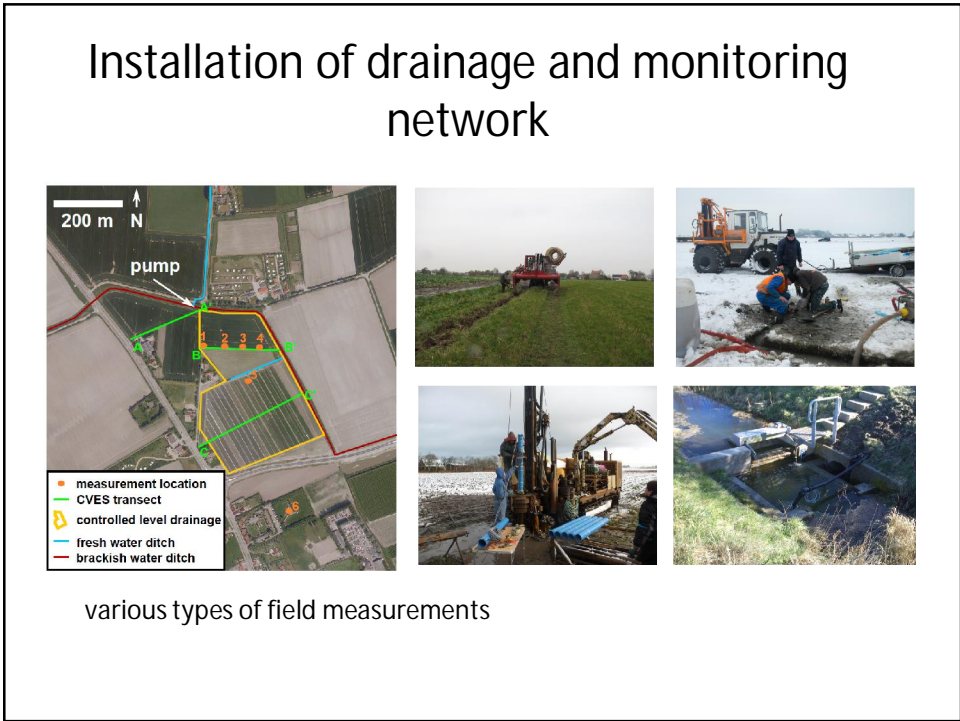
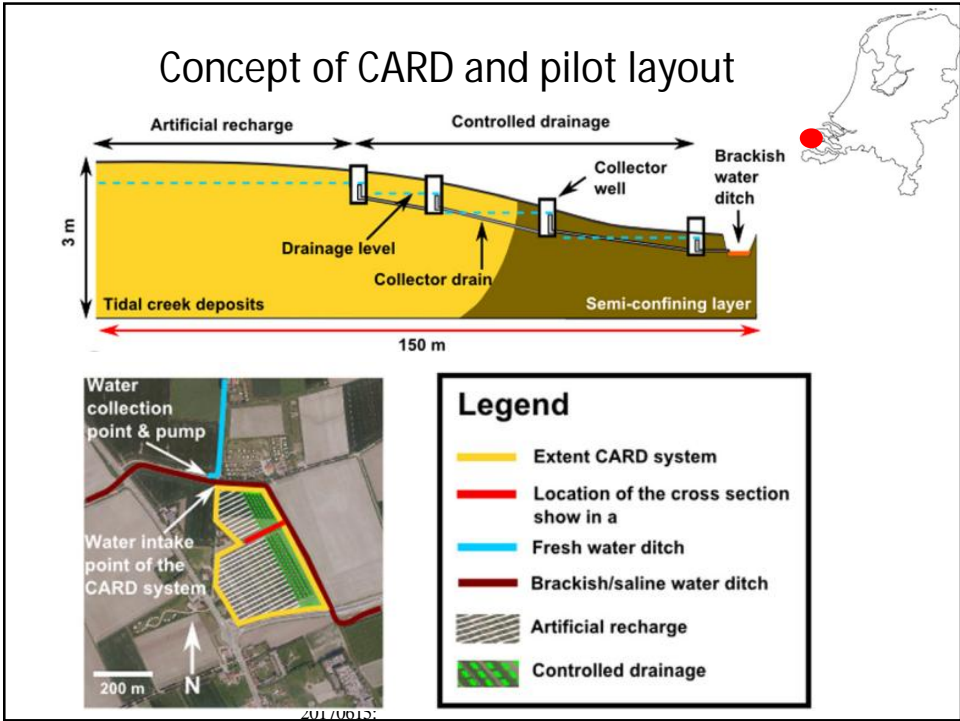
## Measure

- Controlled level drainage
- Increase groundwater level



## Creekridge Infiltration System

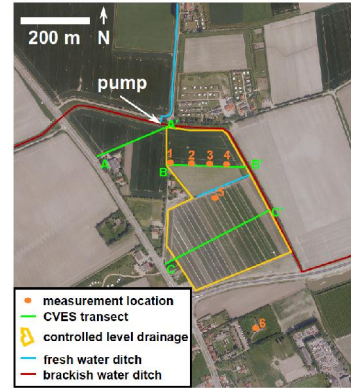




## Different types of field measurements applied

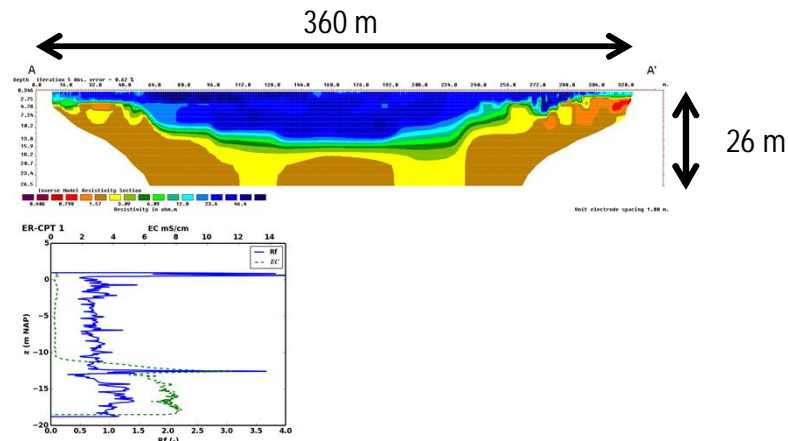
Measurement type	Purpose
Pressure transducers <sup>a</sup>	Groundwater levels
Sampling using piezometer nest	EC <sub>w20</sub>
SLIMFLEX <sup>b</sup>	EC <sub>bulk</sub>
CPT <sup>c</sup>	Lithology and EC <sub>bulk</sub>
CVES <sup>d</sup>	EC <sub>bulk</sub>
SMD <sup>e</sup>	EC <sub>bulk</sub>

- a. Schlumberger, The Netherlands (type 'Diver')
- b. Deltares, The Netherlands
- c. Fugro, The Netherlands
- d. ABEM, Sweden
- e. Imageau, France



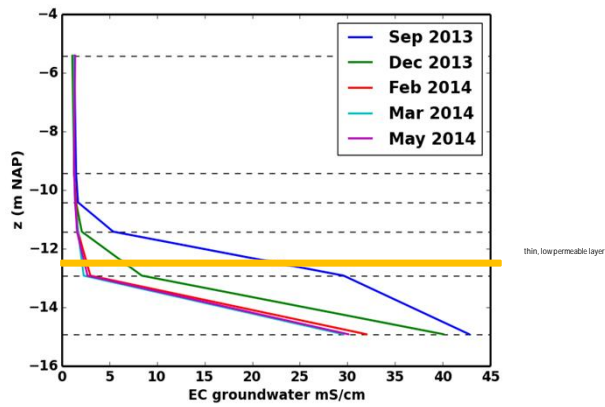
## Key field observations (1)

- Fresh groundwater up to -12 m NAP

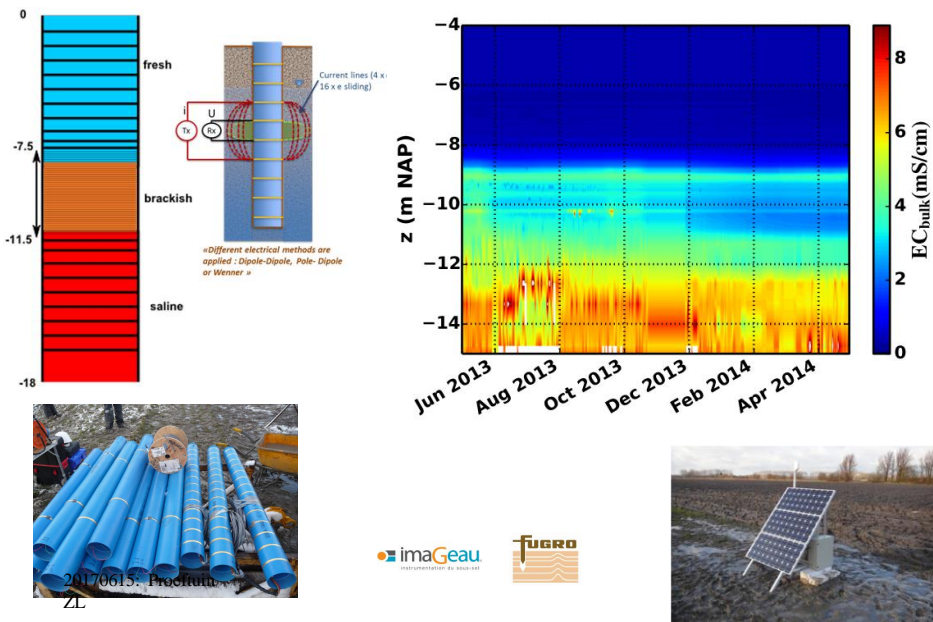


## Key field observations (2)

- Freshening up to 2m

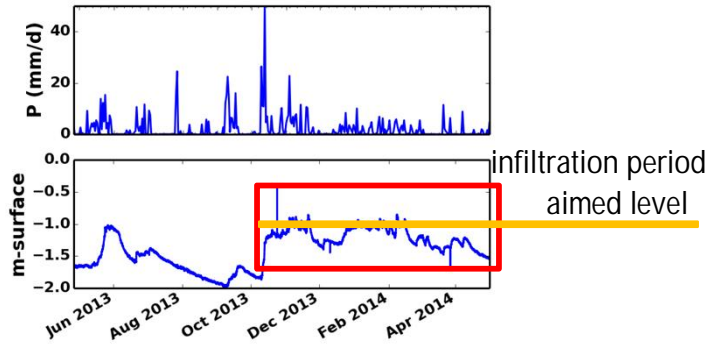


## Subsurface Monitoring Device (SMD): Monitoring salinities

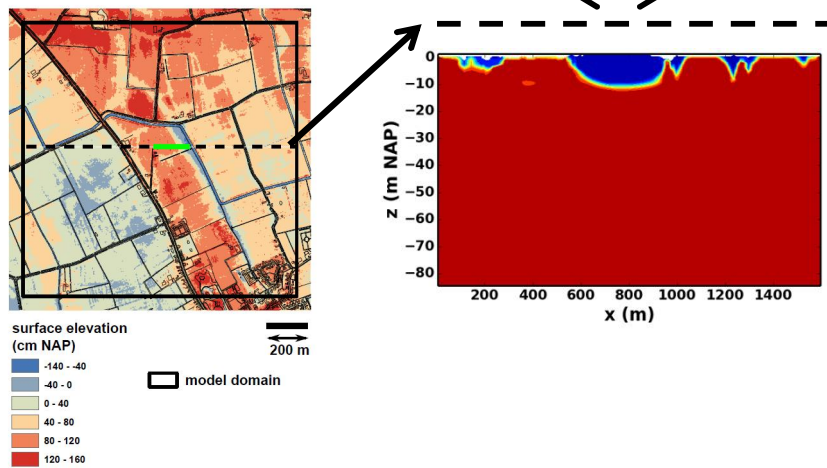


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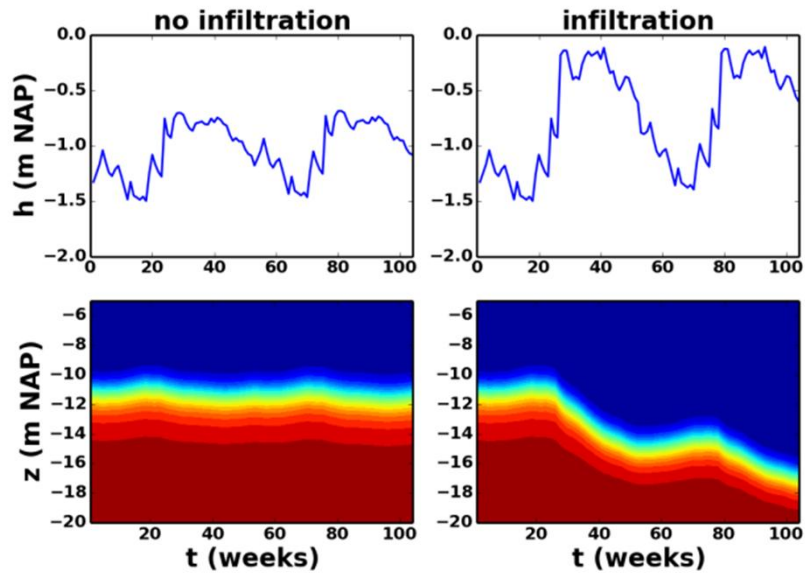
- Groundwater levels and precipitation



### Modeling



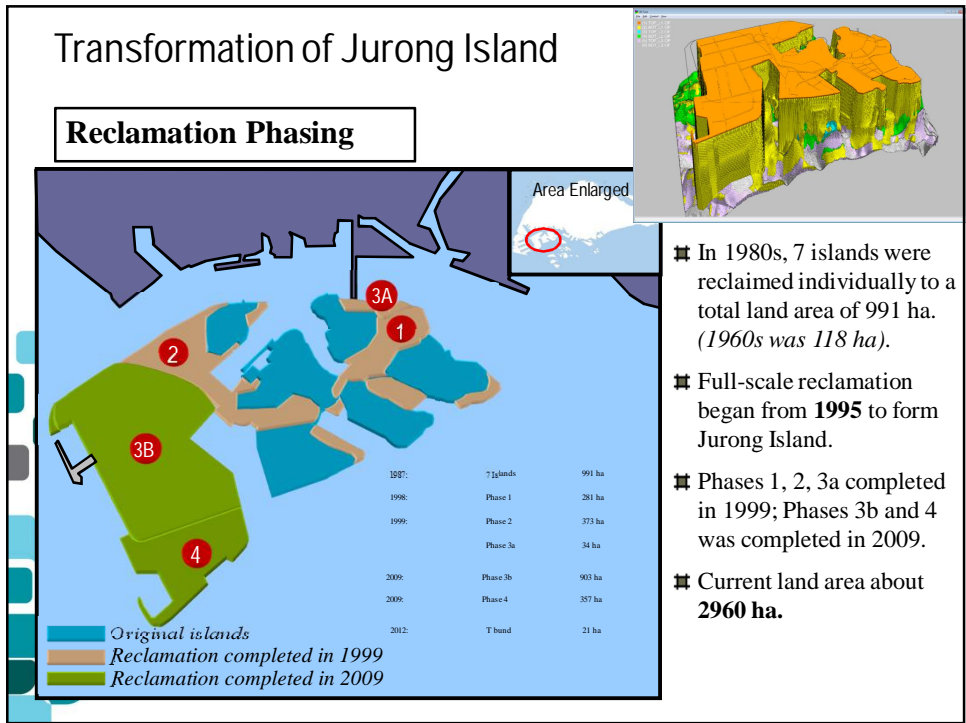
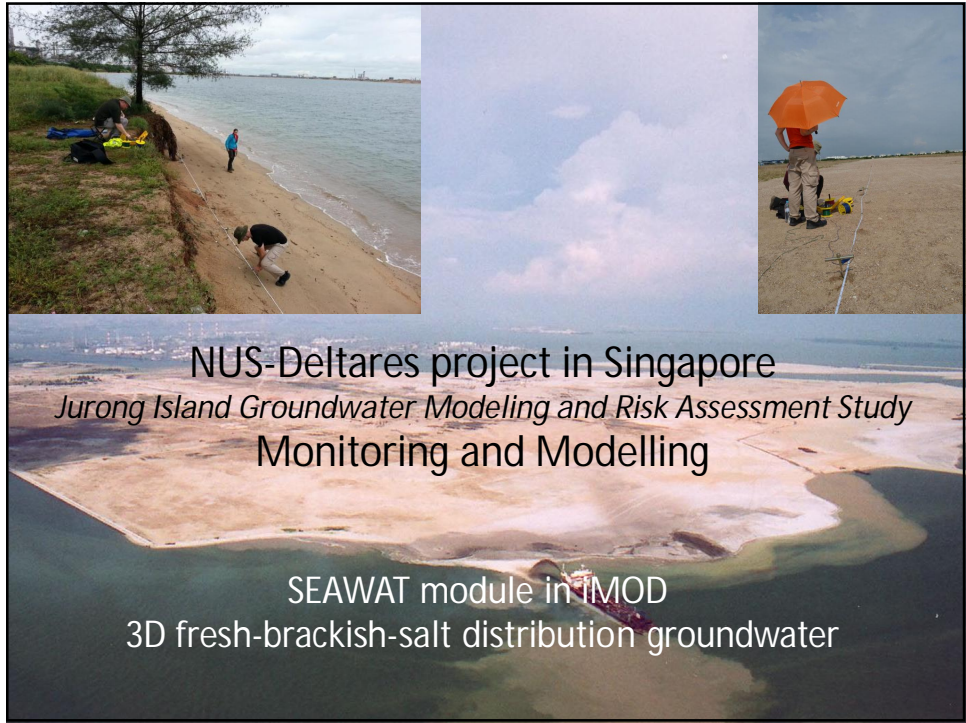
## Influence of infiltration



## Singapore Jurong Island

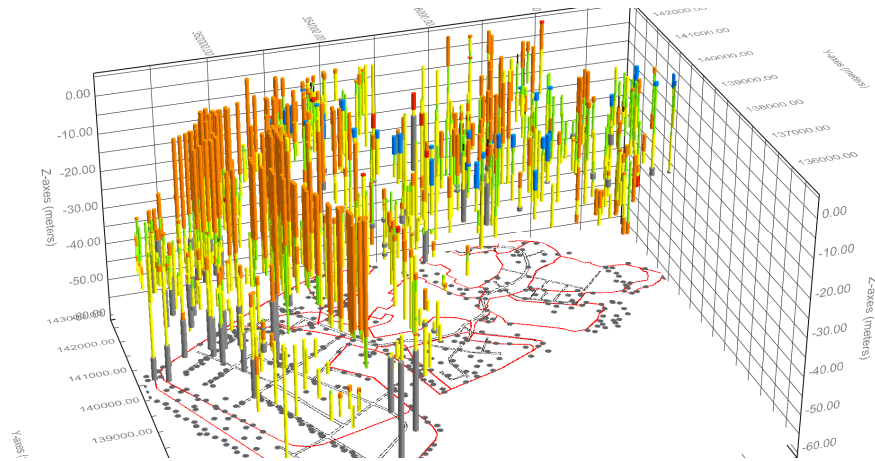
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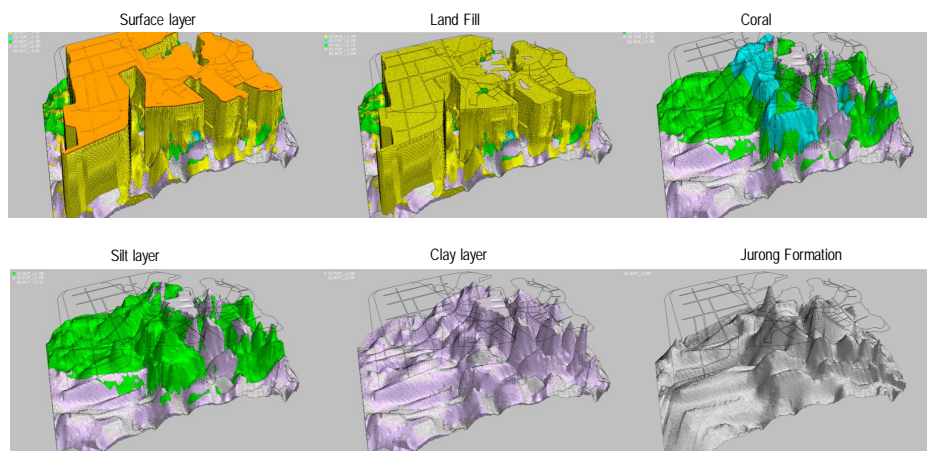


## Boreholes

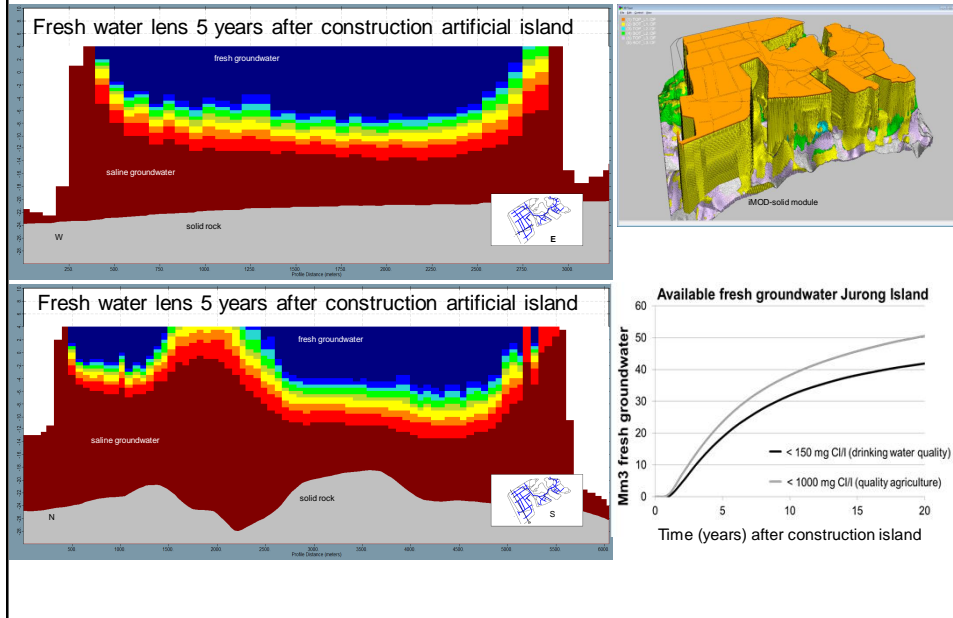


509 boreholes were converted from PDF to IFF, the format that IMOD can read

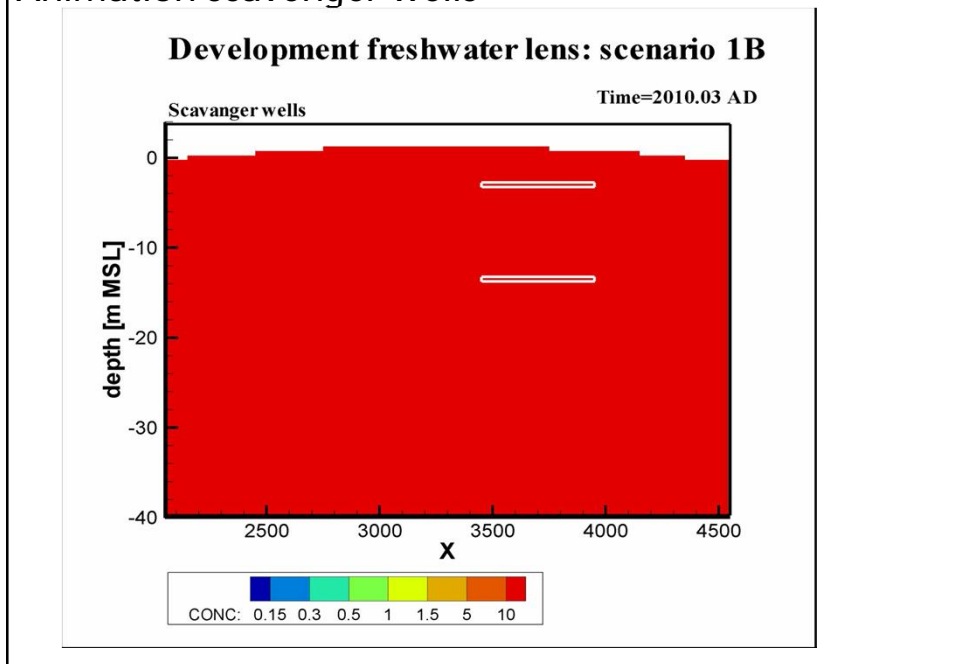
## SubSoil Model

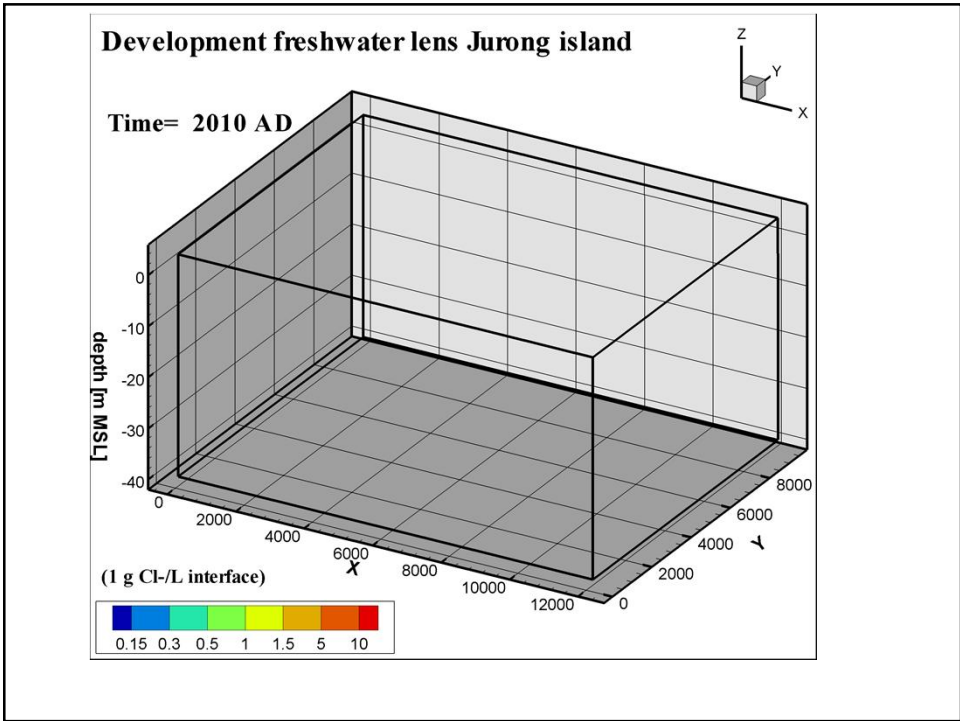
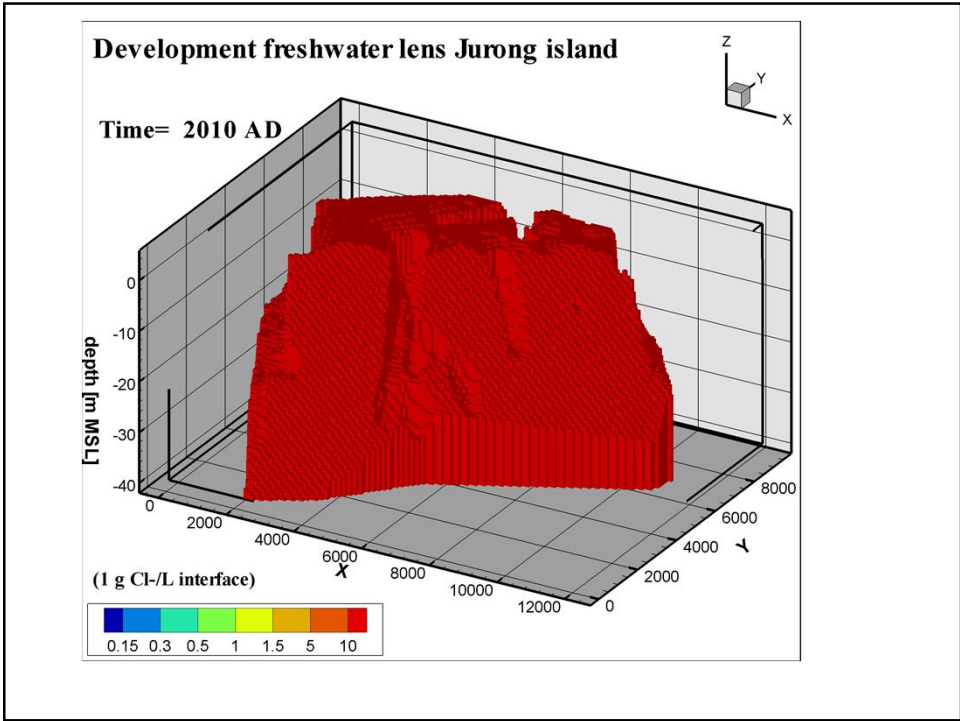


# iMOD-SEAWAT Jurong Island Singapore

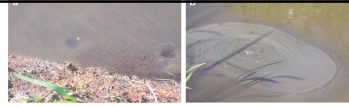


## Animation scavenger wells





Example NL:  
Salt resistant crops on salty boils

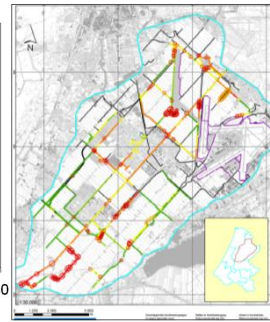
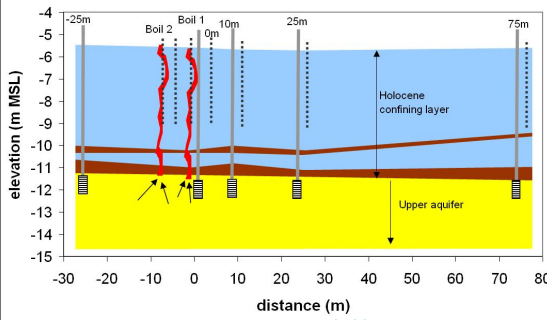


Cl-conc seepage:

(Polder Noordplas)  
Diffuse : 100 mg/l  
Paleochannel : 600 mg/l  
Boils : 1100 mg/l



Ask Perry de Louw for details



# Modelling

salt water intrusion  
density dependent groundwater flow

modelling

Why mathematical modelling anyway?

A model is only a schematisation of the reality!

## Why mathematical modelling anyway?

+:

- cheaper than scale models
- analysis of very complex systems is possible
- a model can be used as a database
- to increase knowledge about a system (water balances)

-:

- simplification of the reality
- only a tool, no purpose on itself
- garbage in=garbage out: (field)data important
- perfect fit measurement and simulation is suspicious

## Numerical modelling variable density flow

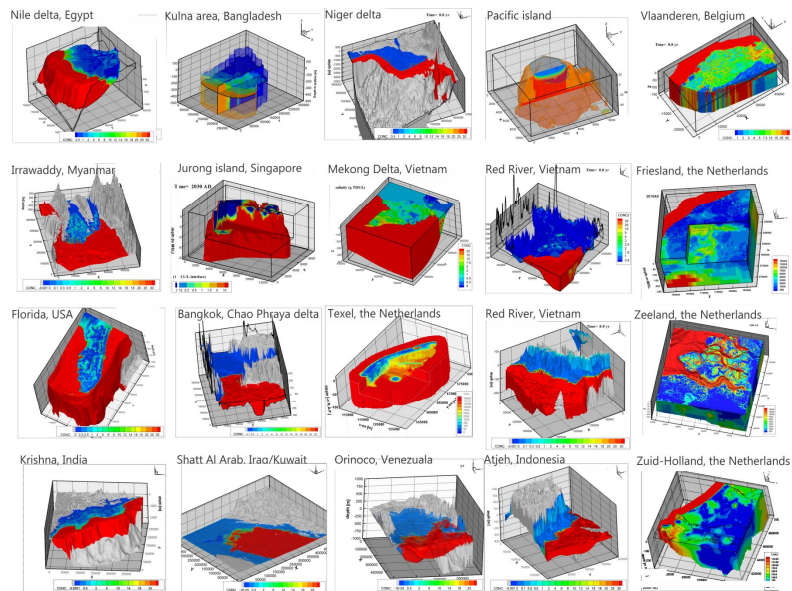
Type:

- sharp interface models
- solute transport models

State of the art:

- three-dimensional
- solute transport
- transient

## 3D numerical models groundwater coastal zone



modelling

Some existing 3D codes which simulate variable density groundwater flow in porous media:

SEAWAT (Guo & Bennett, '98)  
 METROPOL (Sauter, '87)  
 FEFLOW (Diersch, '94)  
 MVAEM (Strack, '95)  
 D3F (Wittum et al., '98)  
 MOCDENS3D (Oude Essink, '98)  
 HydroGeoSphere (Therrien, '92)

SWICHA (Huyakorn et al., '87)  
 SWIFT (Ward, '91)  
 FAST-C 3D (Holzbecher, '98)  
 MODFLOW+MT3D96 (Gerven, '98)  
 HST3D (Kipp, '86)  
 SUTRA (beta-version, Voss, '02)



## Restrictions 3D salt water intrusion modelling

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## Stability criteria for solute transport equation (I)

## 1. Neumann criterion:

$$\frac{D_{xx} \Delta t_s}{\Delta x^2} + \frac{D_{yy} \Delta t_s}{\Delta y^2} + \frac{D_{zz} \Delta t_s}{\Delta z^2} \leq 0.5$$

$$\Delta t_s \leq \frac{0.5}{\frac{D_{xx}}{\Delta x^2} + \frac{D_{yy}}{\Delta y^2} + \frac{D_{zz}}{\Delta z^2}}$$

## Stability criteria for solute transport equation (II)

## 2. Mixing criterion:

$$\Delta t_s \leq \frac{n_e b_{i,j,k}^k}{Q'_{i,j,k}}$$

Change in concentration in element is not allowed to be larger than the difference between the present concentration in the element and the concentration in the source

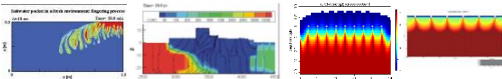
### Stability criteria for solute transport equation (III)

3. Courant criterion:

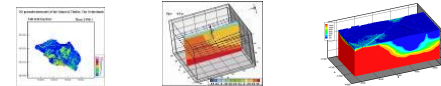
$$0 < \xi \leq \sim 1$$
$$\Delta t_s \leq \frac{\xi \Delta x}{V_{x,\max}} \quad \Delta t_s \leq \frac{\xi \Delta y}{V_{y,\max}} \quad \Delta t_s \leq \frac{\xi \Delta z}{V_{z,\max}}$$

### Modelling fresh-salt groundwater on different scales

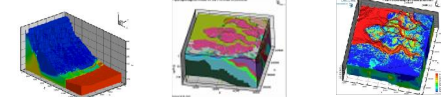
**Sub-local:** fingering, salty sand boils  
Sri Lanka (Tsunami 2004),  
Zandmotor  
**cell size=1cm-1m**



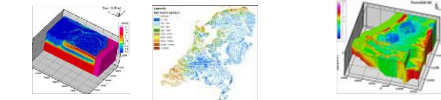
**Local:** rainwaterlenses, heat-cold  
Tholen, Schouwen-Duiveland  
**cell size=5-25m**



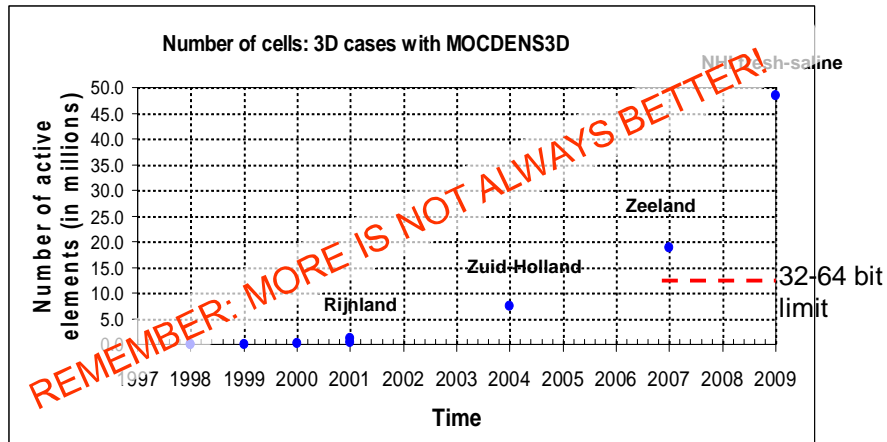
**Regional:**  
Zeeland, Gujarat/India, Philippines  
**cell size=100m**



**National:** salt load  
Bangladesh, Zuid-Holland, NHI  
**cell size=250m-2km**



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



DO NOT DO THIS AT HOME (IF YOU HAVE NOT ENOUGH DATA)

## Modelling effect climate change on fresh-salt groundwater

### Modelling:

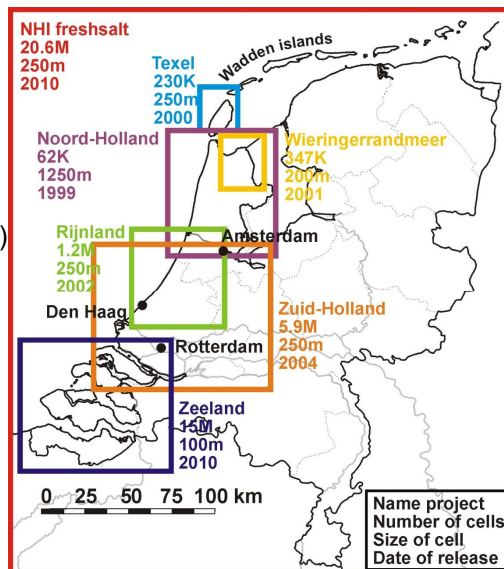
- variable-density
- 3D, non-steady
- groundwater flow
- coupled solute transport

### Code:

MOCDENS3D (MODFLOW family)  
similar to SEAWAT

### Assessing effects:

- autonomous salinisation
- sea level rise
- changing recharge pattern
- land subsidence
- changing extraction rates
- adaption measures



## Fields of application of fresh-saline groundwater models

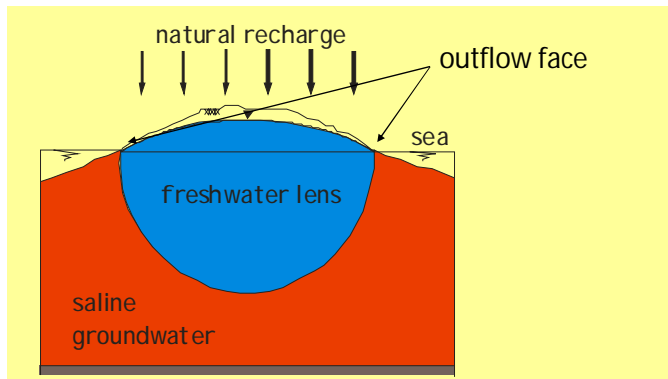
- Water system analysis in brackish-saline environments (salt loads, salt boils, freshwater lenses)
- Quantifying effects of climate change & sea level rise
- Drinking water issues: upconing saline groundwater under extraction wells
- Developing measurements to stop salinization groundwater systems (e.g. fresh keeper, coastal collectors, freshwater storage underground)
- Impact of the disasters as tsunamis on fresh groundwater resources
- Submarine Groundwater Discharge (marine water pollution, Harmful Algae)

variable density

## Difficulties with variable density groundwater flow

- Initial density distribution (effects on velocity field) !
- Velocities freshwater lens at the outflow face near the sea
- Boundary conditions (especially concentration boundaries)
- Choice of element size
- Length of flow time step to recalculate groundwater flow

Outflow face at the coast is difficult to model



Flow converges and thus velocities are very high at the outflow face

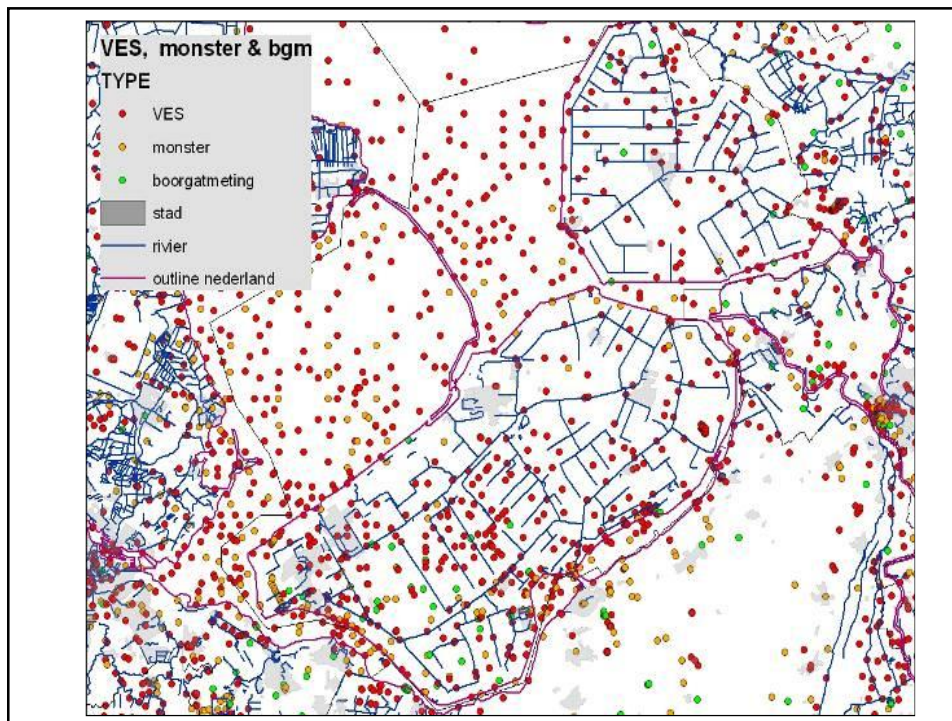
This is numerically difficult to handle

### **A good initial density distribution is essential**

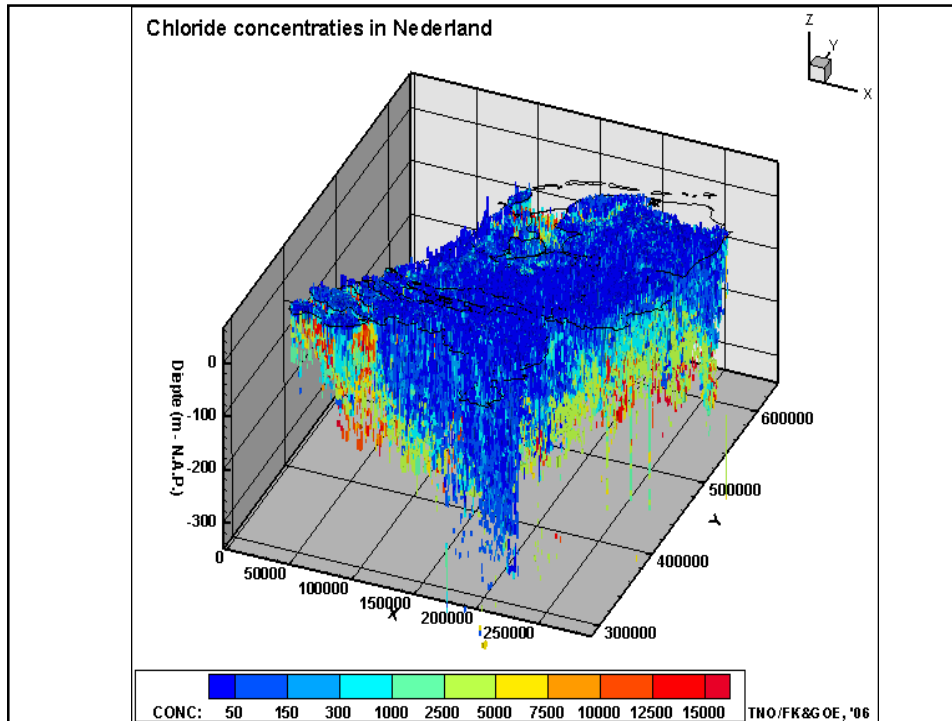
- Because groundwater and solute transport are coupled, the density influences groundwater velocities
- Numerous density measurements are necessary to get a reliable 3D density matrix

### 'Procedure' to improve initial density distribution

- Implement all chloride data
  - Analyses, Borehole, VES, Airborne techniques (HEM, SkyTem)
  - Better old than nothing
  - Better VES then nothing
- Interpolate and extrapolate
  - Sea = easy (salt)
  - Inland = fresh?
- Start with simulation (10/20/30 years) with mol.diffusion\*1000 to smooth out artificial densities





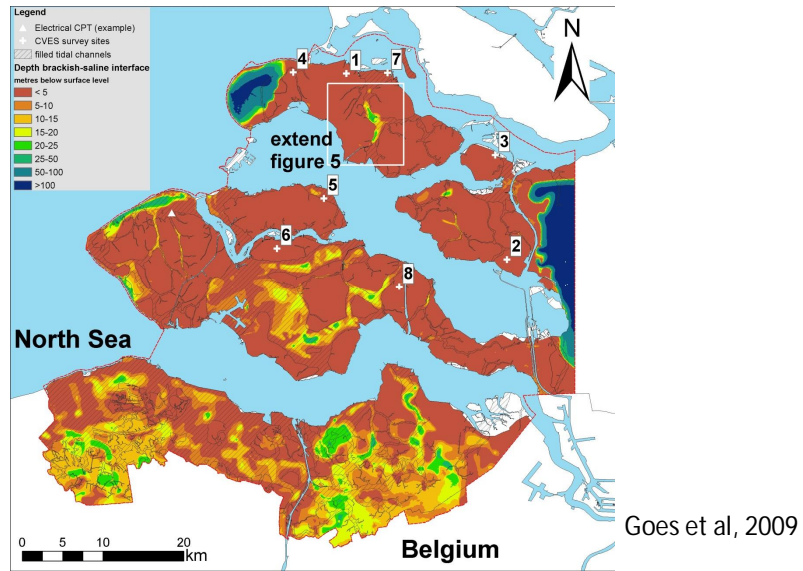


## Mapping brackish-saline interface Zeeland

Combining different types of data sources:

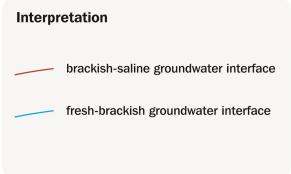
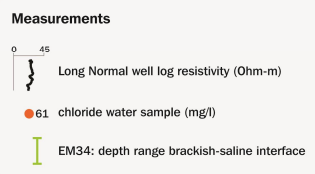
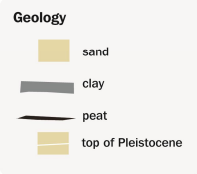
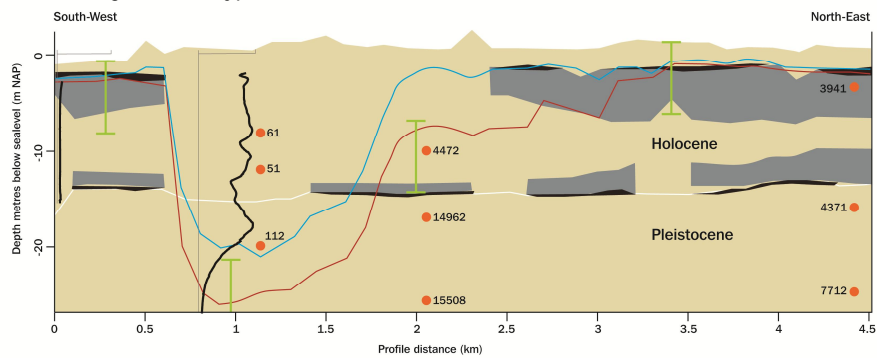
Data type	Characteristics of measurement	# Data	Determined	Accuracy depth of interfaces
Groundwater Samples	0D in situ	721	Chloride concentration	Depends on positions of screens
Geo-electrical borehole logs	1D in situ	149	1D chloride profile, Depth fresh-brackish and brackish-saline interface, Inversions.	±1 m
Electrical CPT	1D in situ (max. depth 50 m)	71	Borehole log	±1 m
VES	1D from surface	1113	Depth brackish-saline interface, Major inversions, (1D chloride profile).	±20% of depth
EM34	1D from surface	3251	Depth brackish-saline interface	ranges of 7.5, 15 or 30 m (accuracy decreases with depth)
Groundwater Abstractions	0D in situ	716	Depth brackish-saline interface	a range depending on screen depth
<b>Unique locations</b>		<b>6021</b>		

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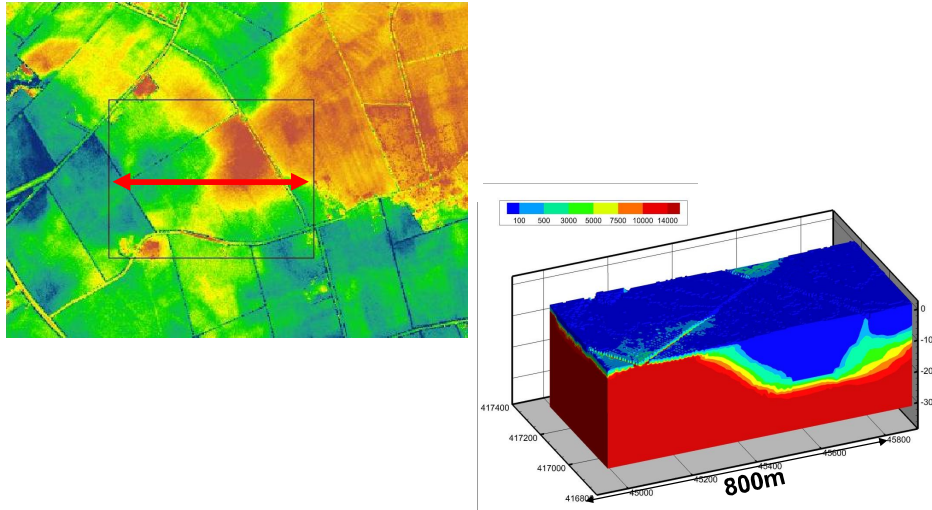
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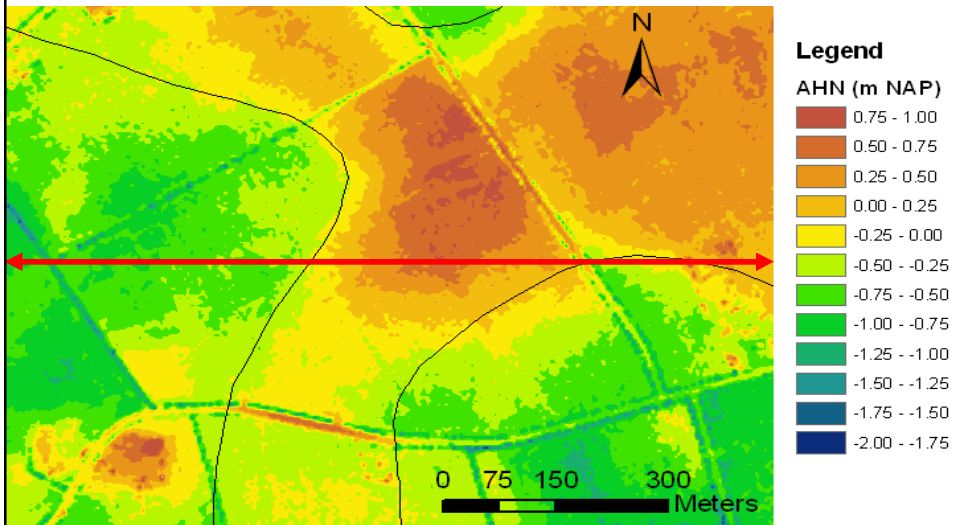
## Use variable-density groundwater flow modelling

### Why a model?

- variation in ground surface directly affects fresh-saline distribution



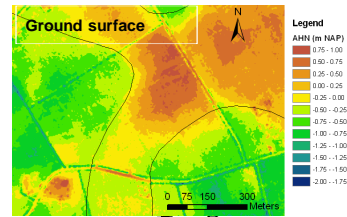
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# Local 3D model of the agricultural plot

## Modelling:

- variable-density
- 3D, non-steady
- groundwater flow & coupled solute transport
- model cell size: 5\*5m<sup>2</sup>

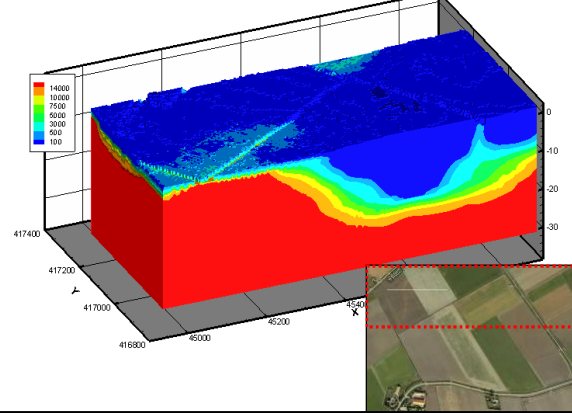


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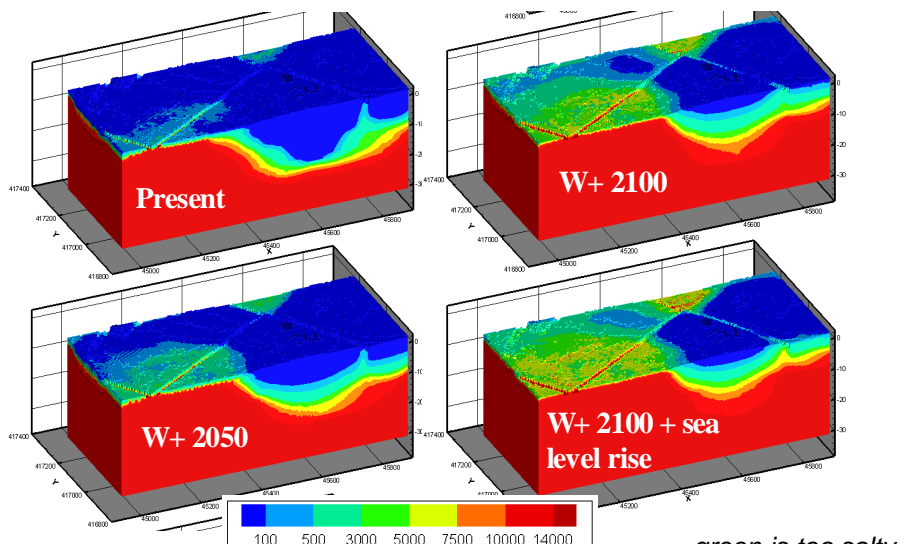
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## Assessing effects:

- autonomous salinisation
- sea level rise
- changing recharge pattern
- (adaption measures)



# Local approach: simulated Cl-conc. with different CC-scenarios

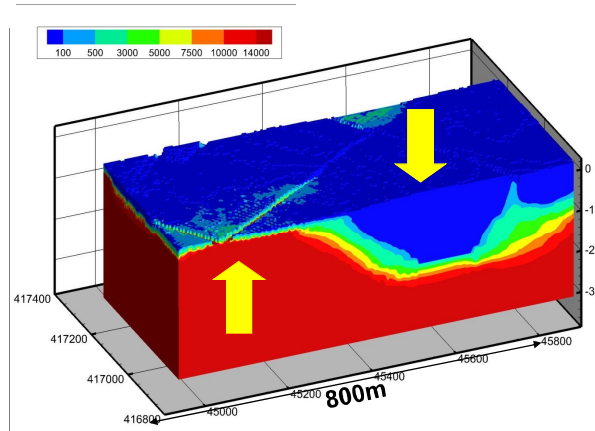
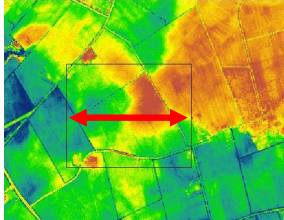


*green is too salty to grow fresh crops*

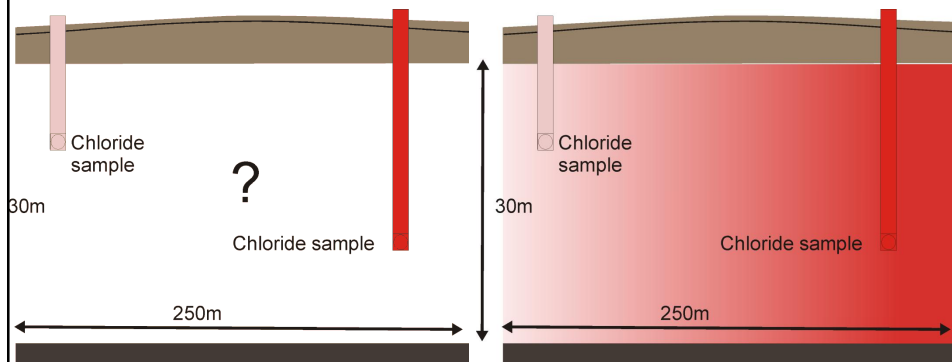
## Use variable-density groundwater flow modelling

### Why a model?

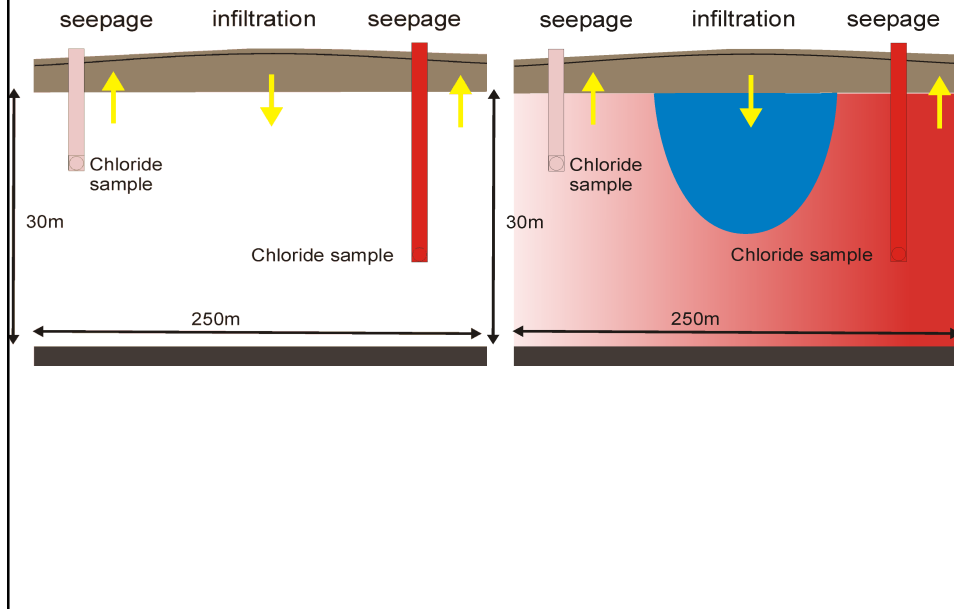
- variation in ground surface directly affects fresh-saline distribution



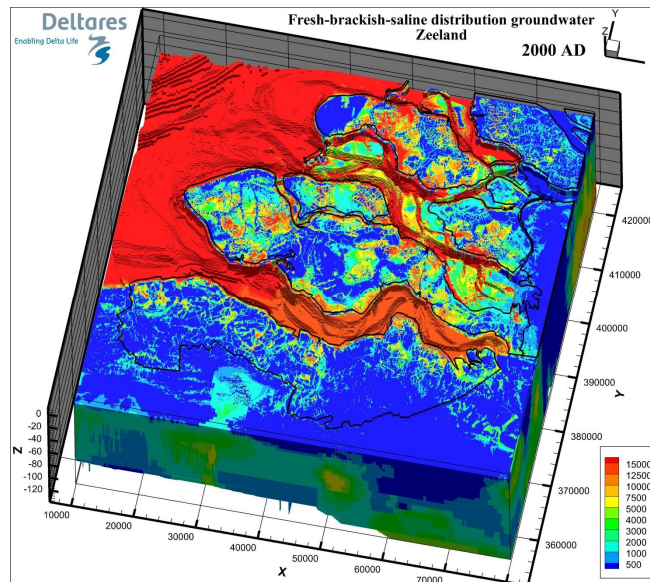
## Interpolation chloride



## Using flow model for better interpolate chloride

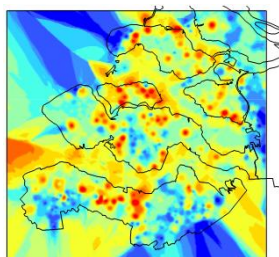
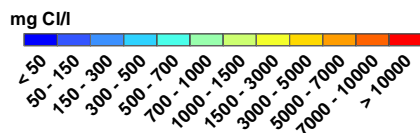


## 3D fresh-saline groundwater distribution



## Regional groundwater model:

From chloride measurements to a 3D distribution

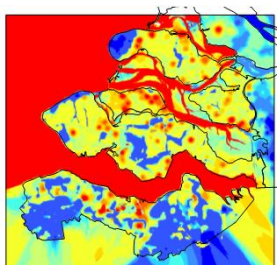


### Step 1:

#### interpolating data:

- Groundwater samples
- Geo-electrical borehole logs
- (C)VES, EM, electrical CPT

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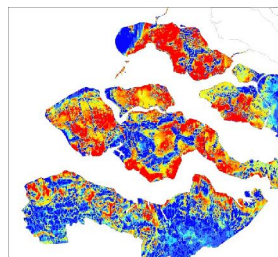


### Step 2:

#### including interfaces

- Mapped fresh-brackish
- Mapped brackish-salt

results at - 6.5 m msl



### Step 3:

#### model result 2010:

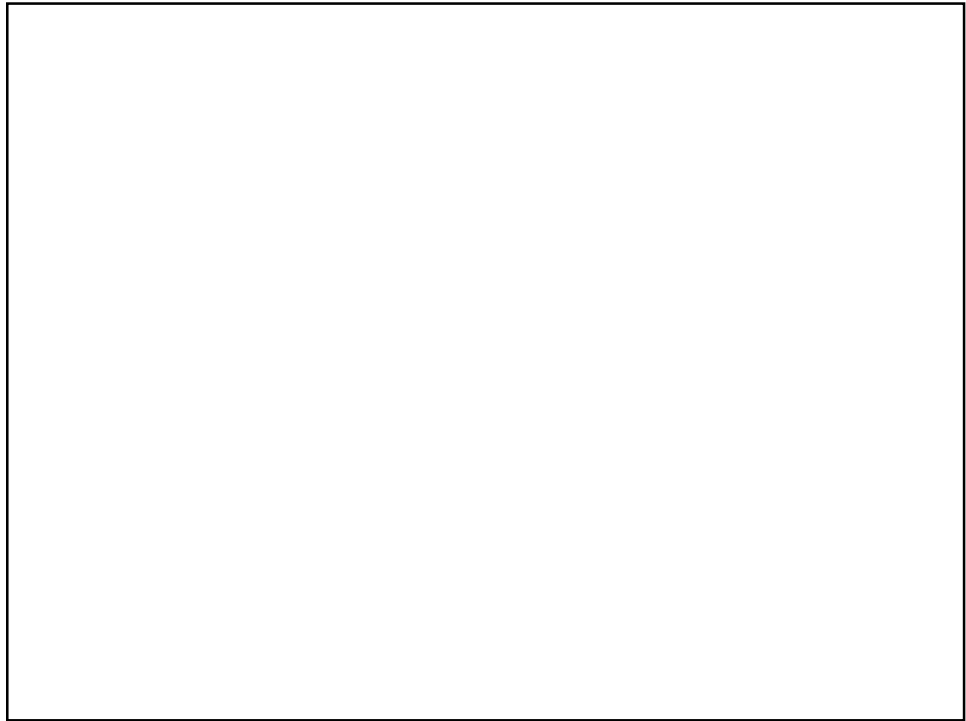
- Model as interpolator

modelling

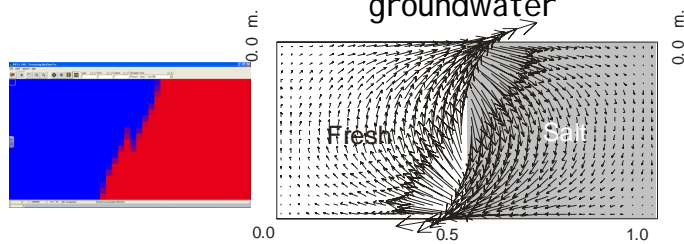
## Examples of variable-density groundwater flow

- Rotating immiscible interface
- Henry's problem
- Evolution freshwater lens
- Hydrocoin
- Salt water pocket
- Broad 14 Basin, North Sea
- Heat transport: Elder and Rayleigh=4000
- 5 Dutch 3D cases
- Freshwater lenses
- Effect of Tsunami on groundwater resources



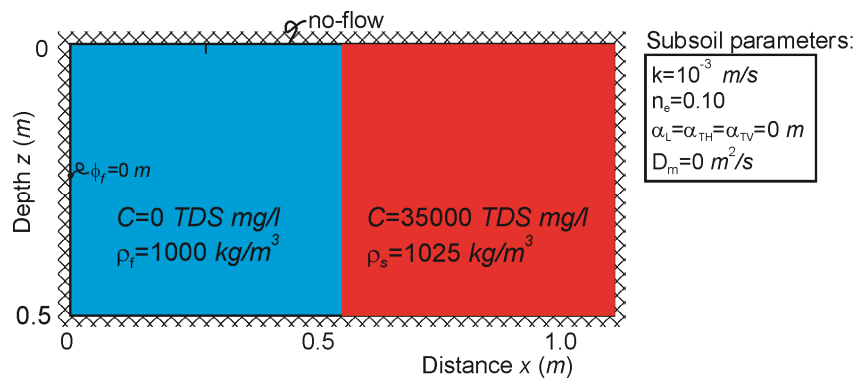


Case 1: Vertical interface between fresh and saline groundwater

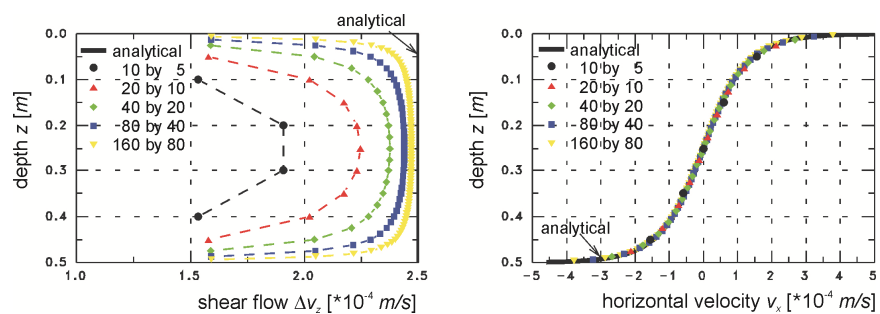


Parameters			
Layers	20	$K_{hor}$	$1 \cdot 10^{-3}$ m/s
Rows	1	T	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-5}$ m/s
Columns	40	Anisotropy $K_{hor}/K_{ver}$	1
$\Delta x$	0.025 m	$n_e$	0.1
$\Delta y$	1 m	$\alpha_L$	0 m
$\Delta z$	0.025 m	$\alpha_T$	0 m
Stress periods	15		
Initial concentration	0 and 35000 mg/l		
bouyancy	0.025		

## Vertical interface



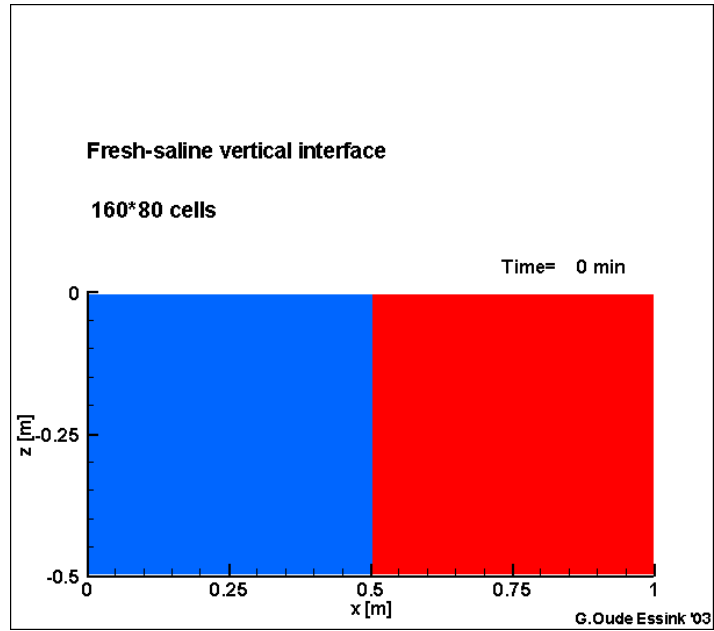
## Effect of the number of cells on the shear flow at the interface at $t=0$



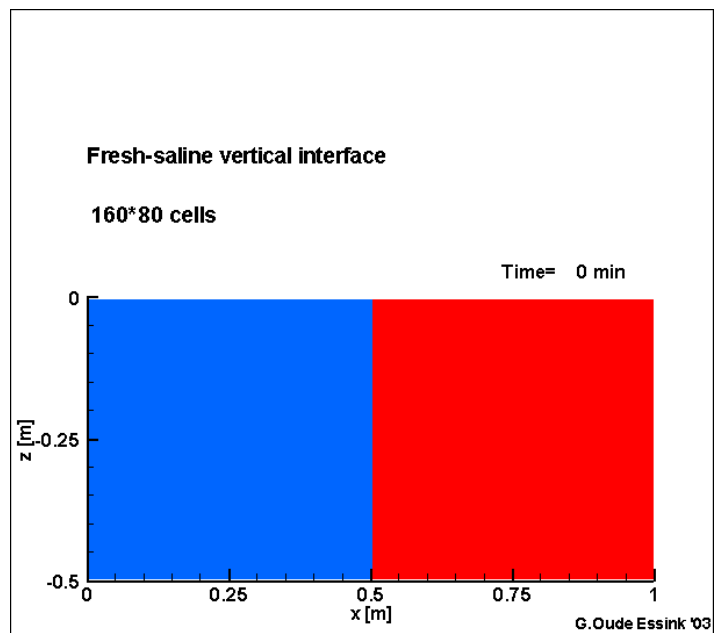
$$\Delta v_z = \frac{k}{n_e} \left( \frac{\rho_s - \rho_f}{\rho_f} \right)$$

$$v_x = \frac{k}{n_e} \left( \frac{\rho_s - \rho_f}{\rho_f} \right) \frac{1}{\pi} \ln \tan \left( \frac{\pi z}{2D} \right)$$

### Vertical interface



### Vertical interface



# The effect of numerical solvers on the salt transport

## Examples

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### Default parameters solvers

Advection Package (MT3DMS) **FD**

Solution Scheme: Finite Difference Method  
Weighting Scheme: Upstream weighting  
Particle Tracking: Hybrid 1st order Euler and 4th order Runge-Kutta

Simulation Parameters

Courant number (PERCEL)	0.75
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Advection Package (MT3DMS) **MOC**

Solution Scheme: Method of Characteristics (MOC)  
Weighting Scheme: Upstream weighting  
Particle Tracking: Hybrid 1st order Euler and 4th order Runge-Kutta

Simulation Parameters

Max. number of total moving particles (MXPART)	100000
Courant number (PERCEL)	0.75
Concentration weighting factor (WD)	0.5
Negligible relative concentration gradient (DCEPS)	0.00001
Pattern for initial placement of particles (NPLANE)	2
No. of particles per cell in case of DCCELL+DCEPS (NP1)	4
No. of particles per cell in case of DCCELLxDCEPS (NP2)	15
Minimum number of particles allowed per cell (NPMIN)	2
Maximum number of particles allowed per cell (NPMAX)	15

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Advection Package (MT3DMS) **TVD**

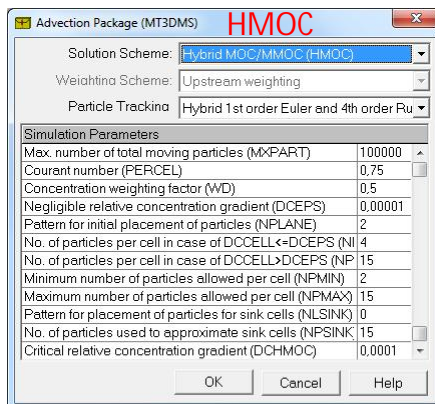
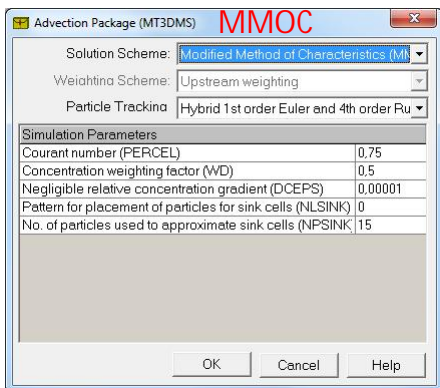
Solution Scheme: 3rd-order TVD Scheme (ULTIMATE)  
Weighting Scheme: Upstream weighting  
Particle Tracking: Hybrid 1st order Euler and 4th order Runge-Kutta

Simulation Parameters

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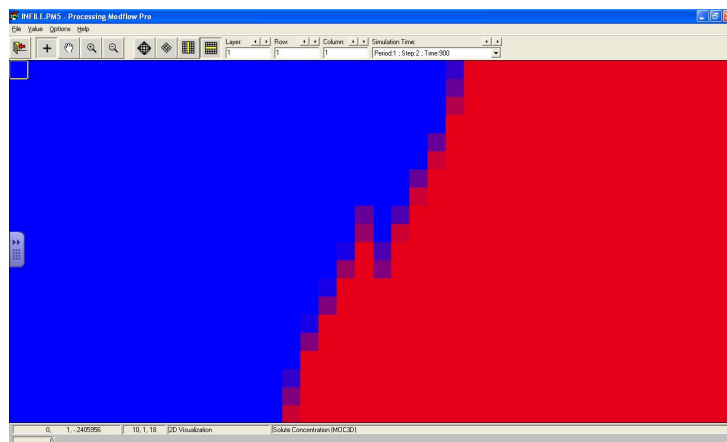
## Default parameters solvers



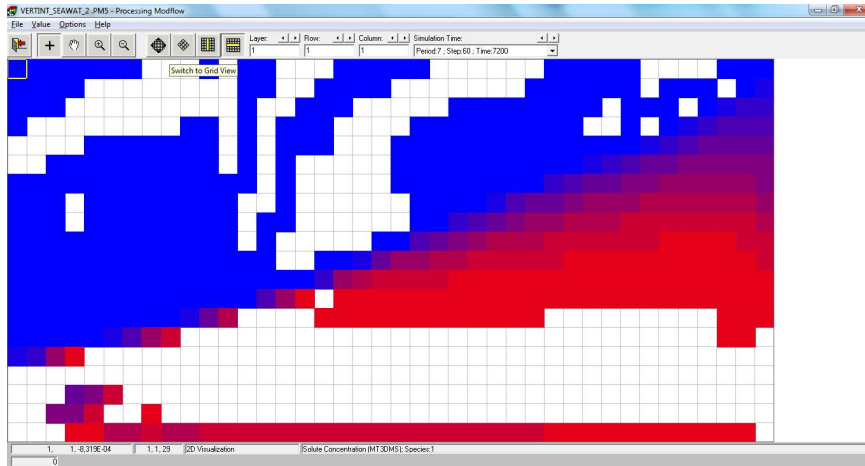
More information:

Zheng, C., & Wang, P. (1999). MT3DMS: A modular three-dimensional multispecies transport model for simulation of advection, dispersion, and chemical reactions of contaminants in groundwater systems. Technical report, Waterways Experiment Station, US Army Corps of Engineers.

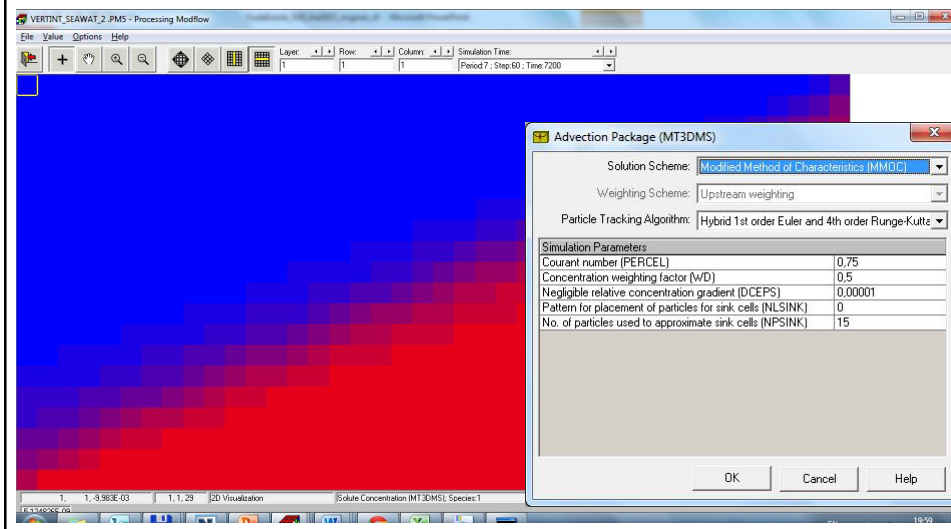
## 1 particle per cell



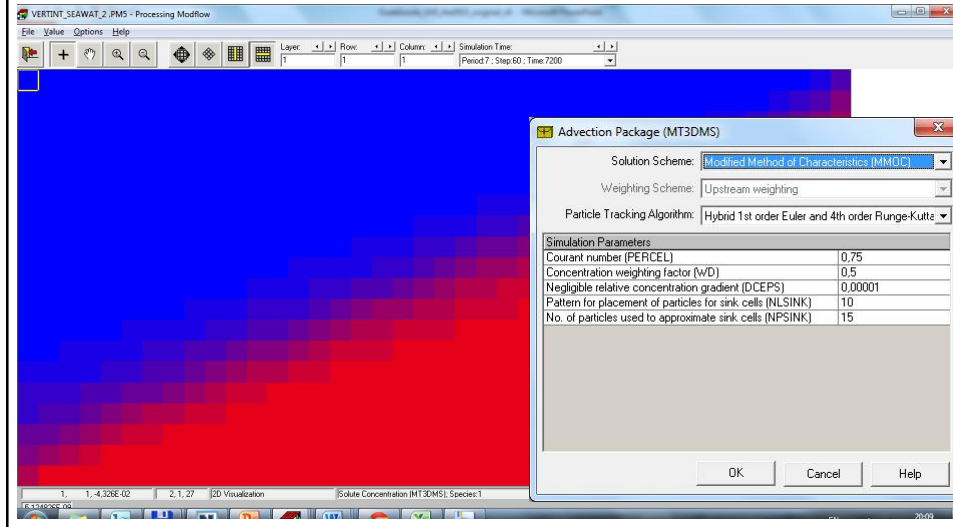
# ULTIMATE



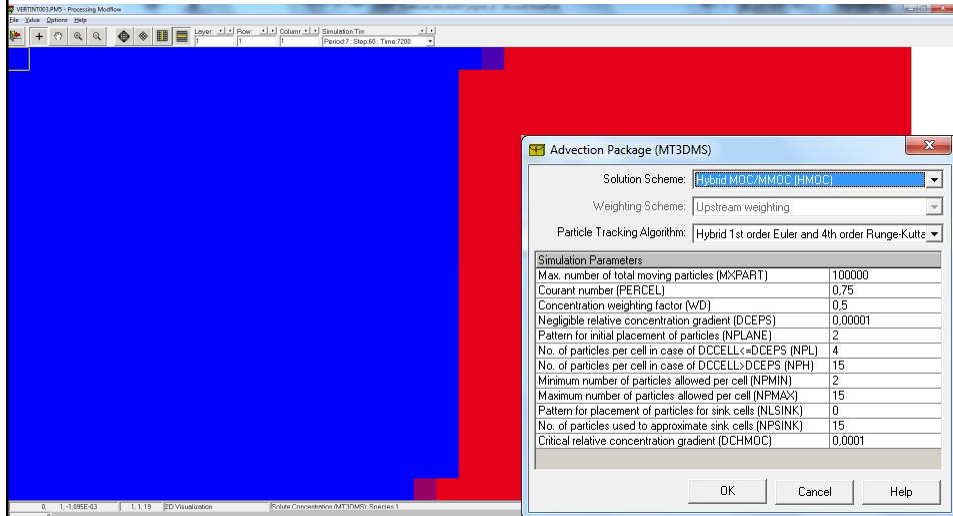
# MMOC, NPLANE=0



# MMOC, NPLANE=10

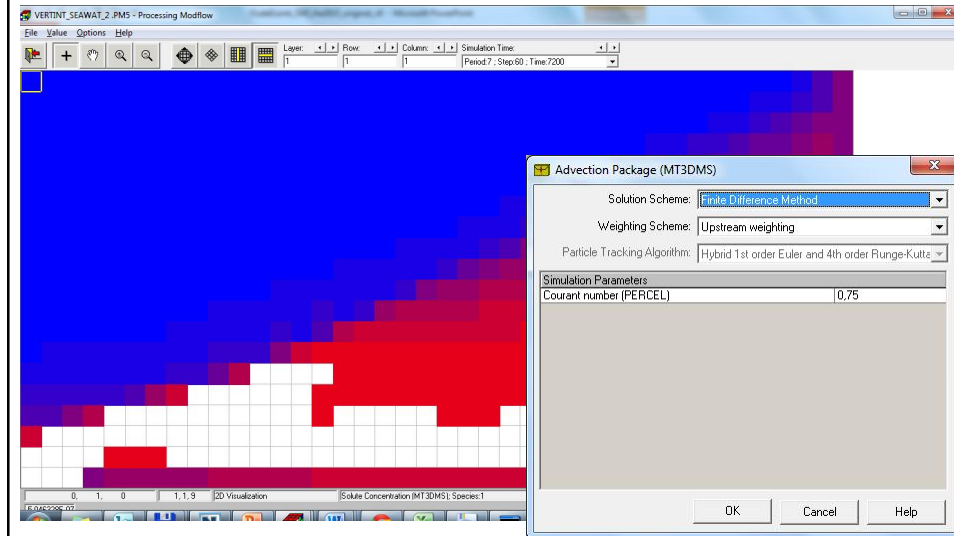


# HMOC

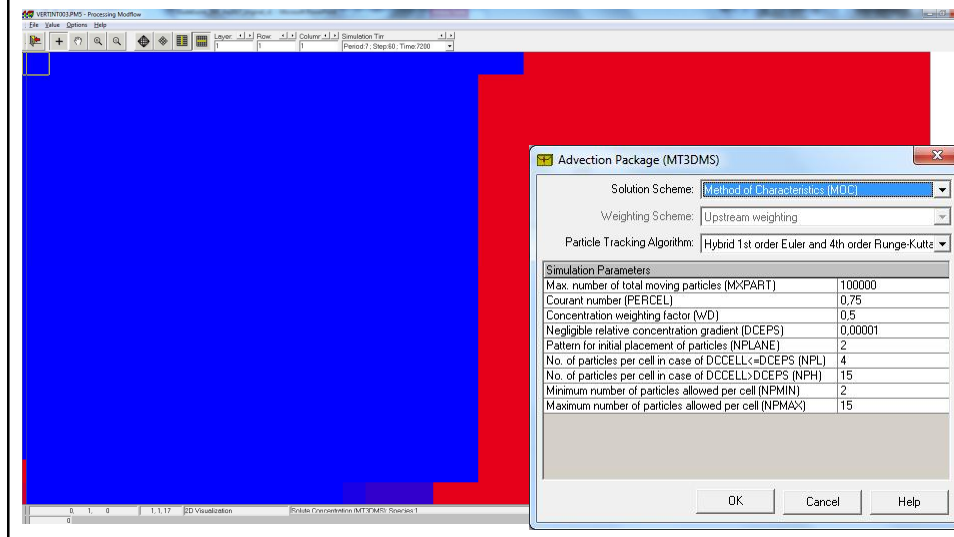




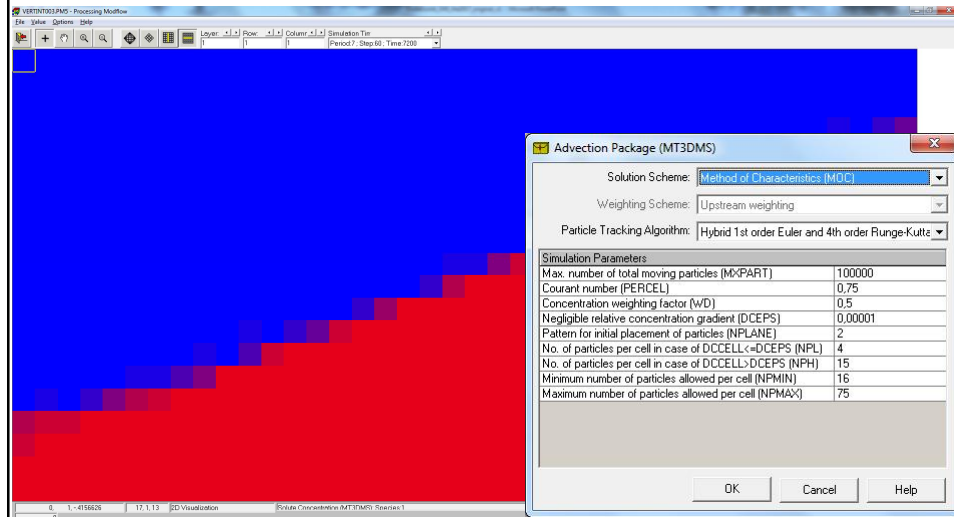
# Finite Difference Method



# MOC

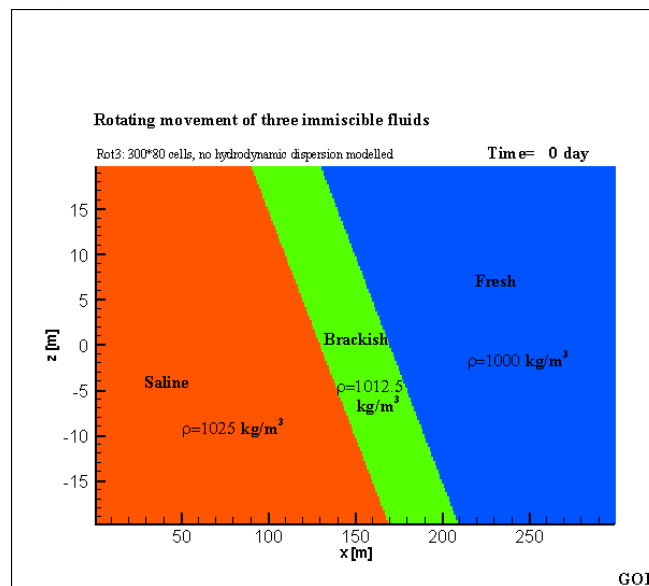


# MOC

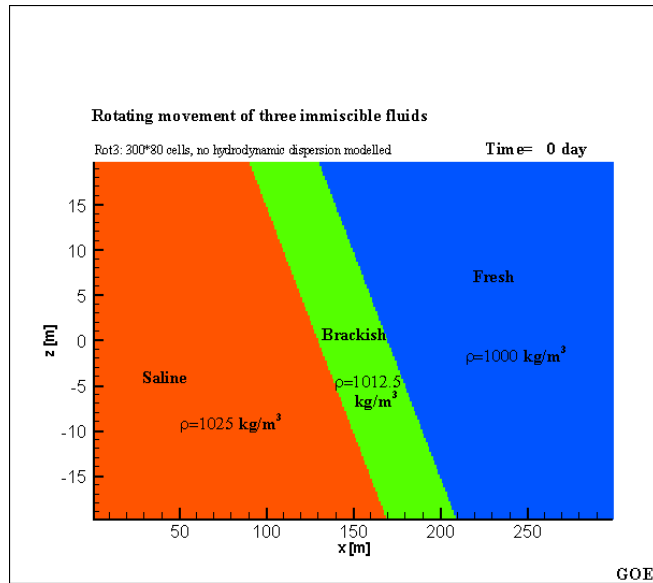


cases

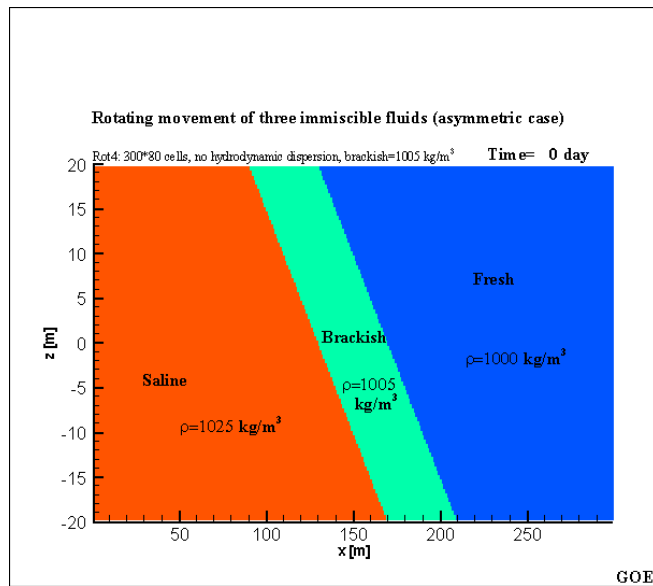
## Rotating immiscible interfaces



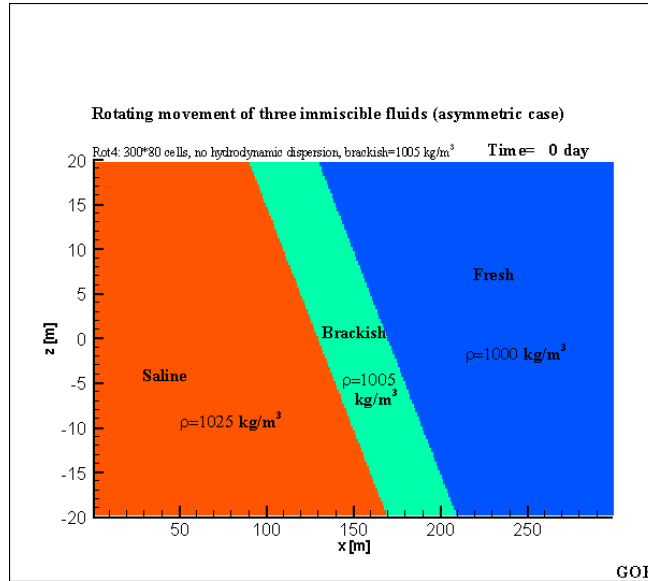
## Rotating immiscible interfaces



## Rotating immiscible interfaces (asymmetric)

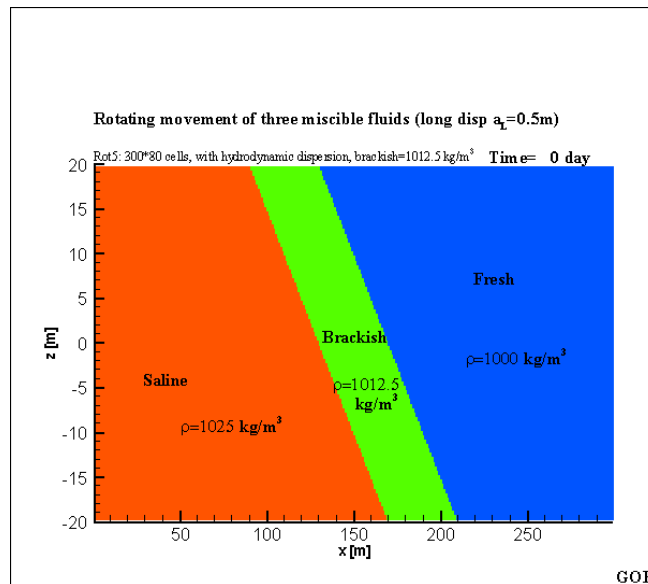


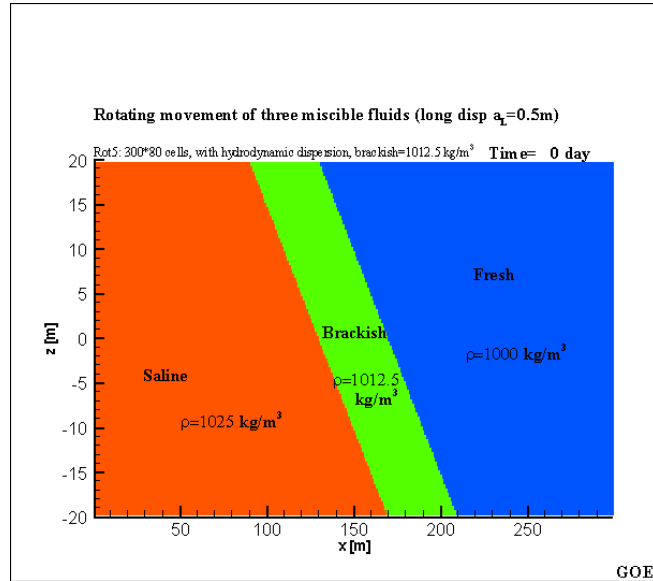
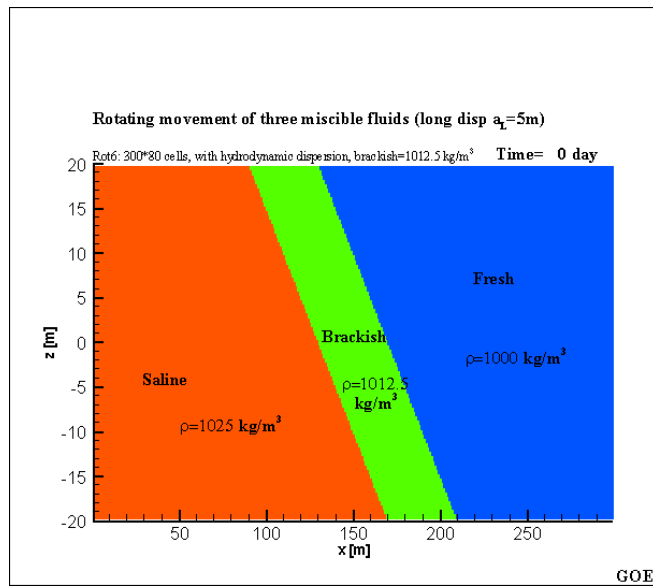
## Rotating immiscible interfaces (asymmetric)



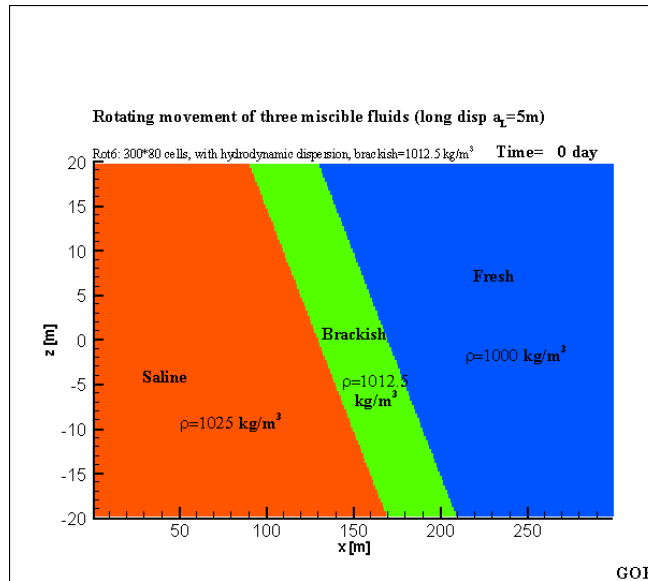
Bakker, M., Oude Essink, G.H.P. & Langevin, C. 2004. The rotating movement of three immiscible fluids. J. of Hydrology 287, 270-278

## Rotating interfaces with dispersion $\alpha_L=0.5m$



Rotating interfaces with dispersion  $\alpha_L=0.5m$ Rotating interfaces with dispersion  $\alpha_L=5m$ 

## Rotating interfaces with dispersion $\alpha_L=5m$



## Rotating immiscible interfaces

### Conclusion:

To check the variable-density component of your code, this immiscible interface benchmark can be used.

## Salt water pocket in a fresh environment

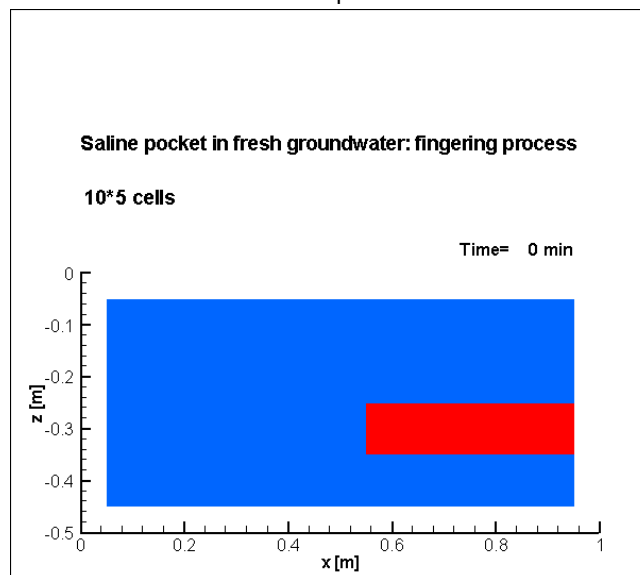
Grid convergence

Time step

## Salt water pocket in a fresh environment (I)

cases

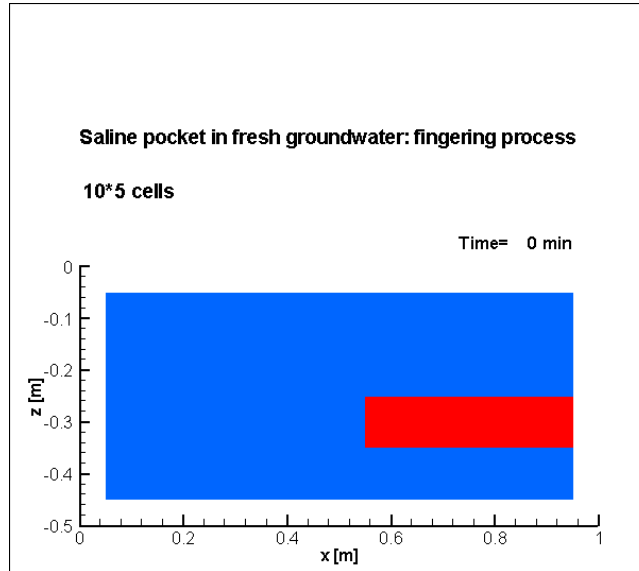
Effect of discretisation on a 'salt lake problem'





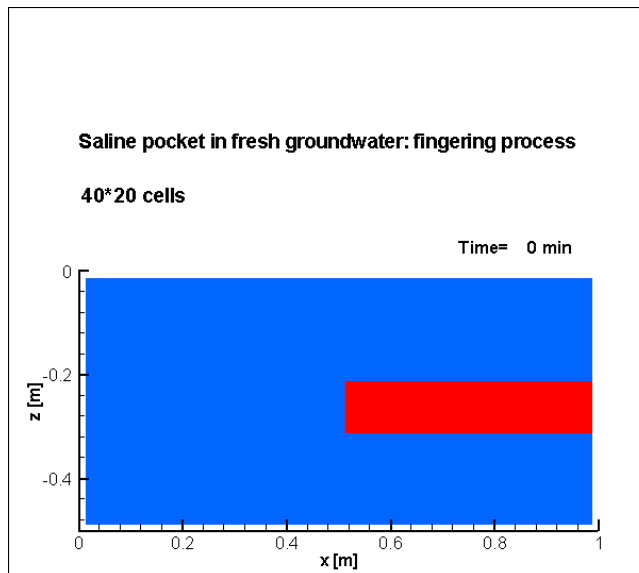
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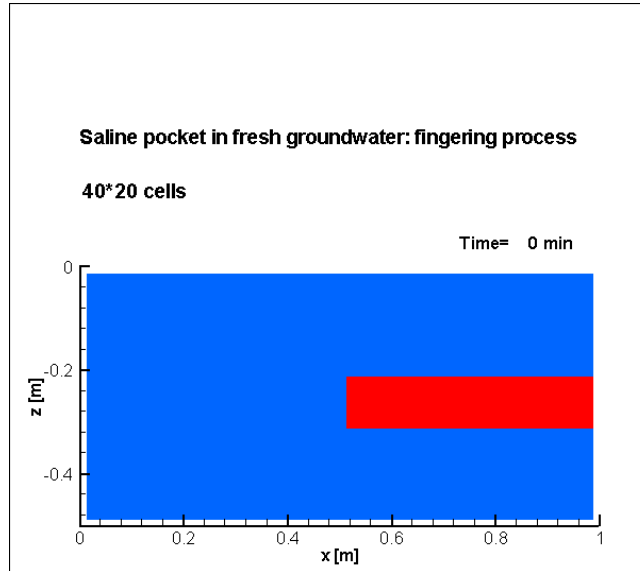
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Effect of discretisation



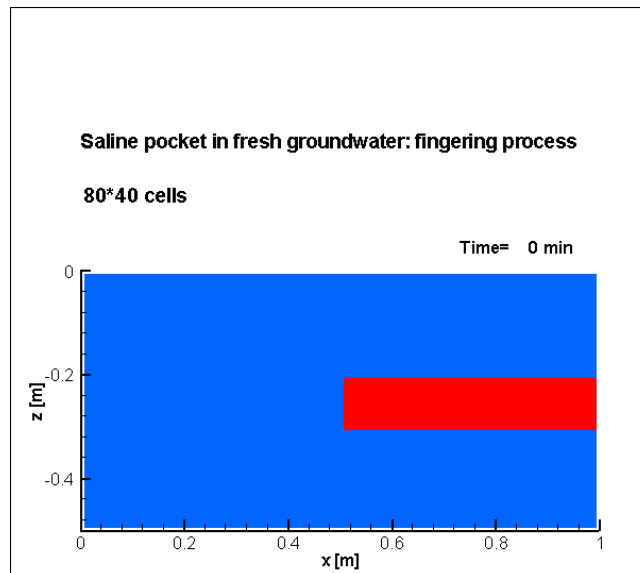
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Effect of discretisation



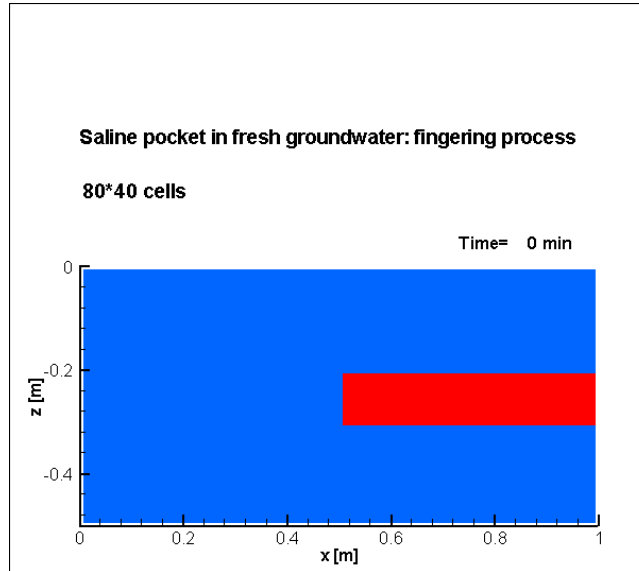
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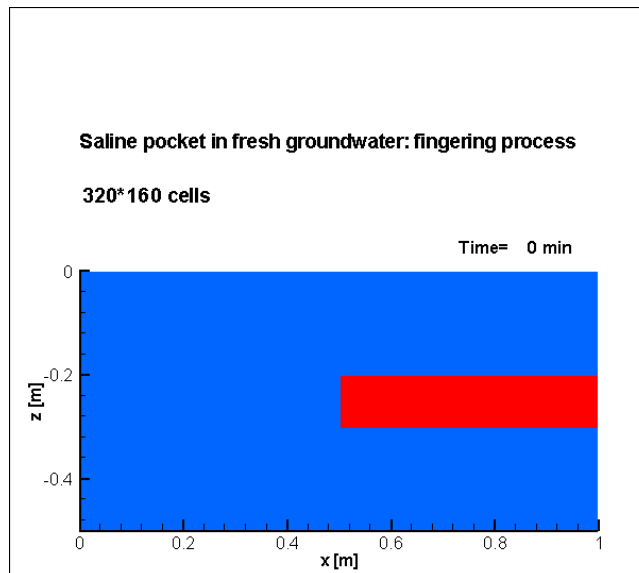
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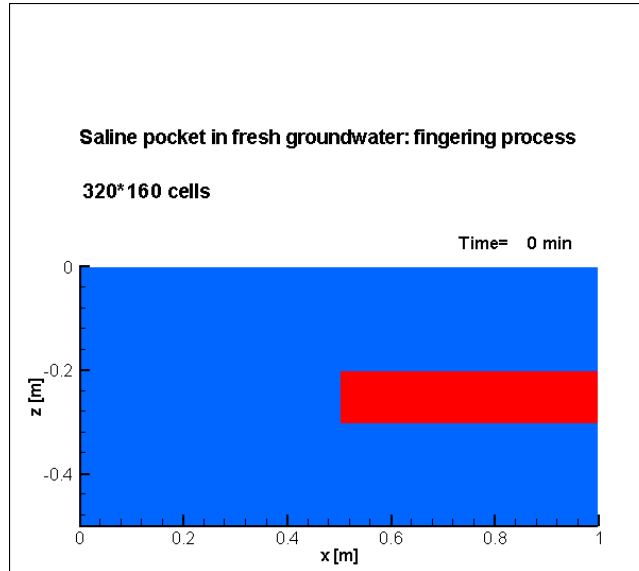
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Effect of discretisation



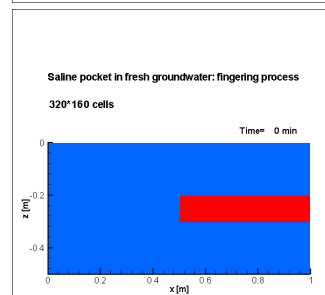
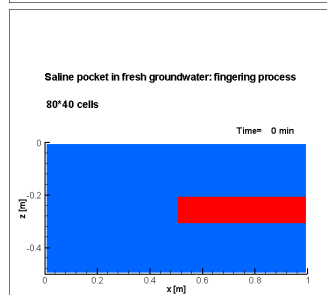
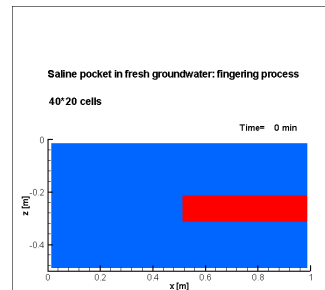
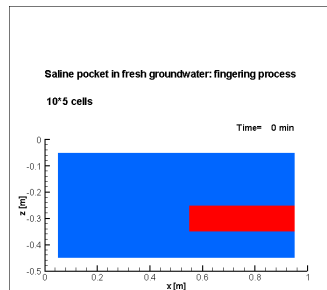
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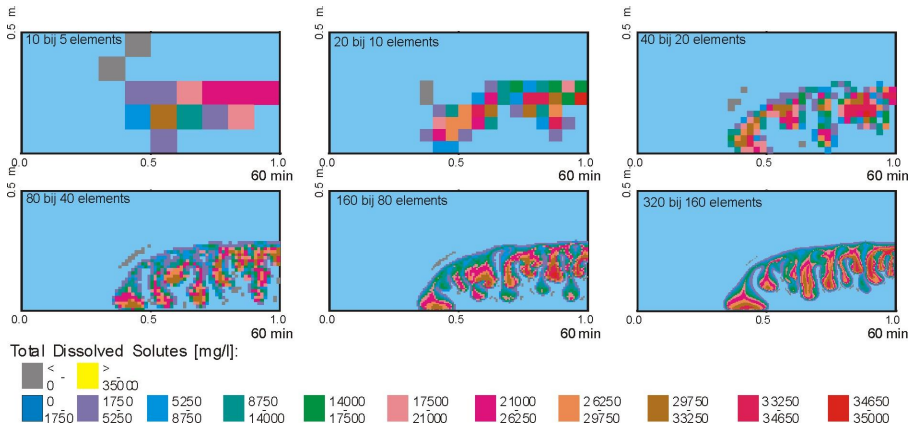


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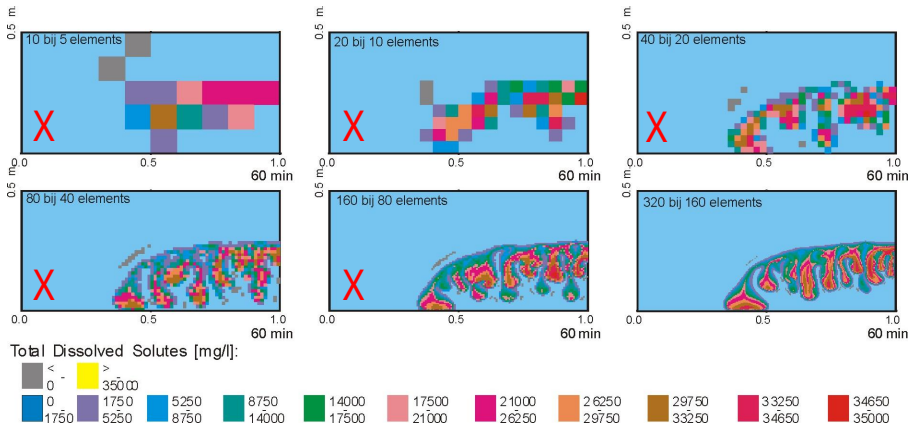


### Effect of size model cell on physical process



Size of cell has a large effect on modelling result!

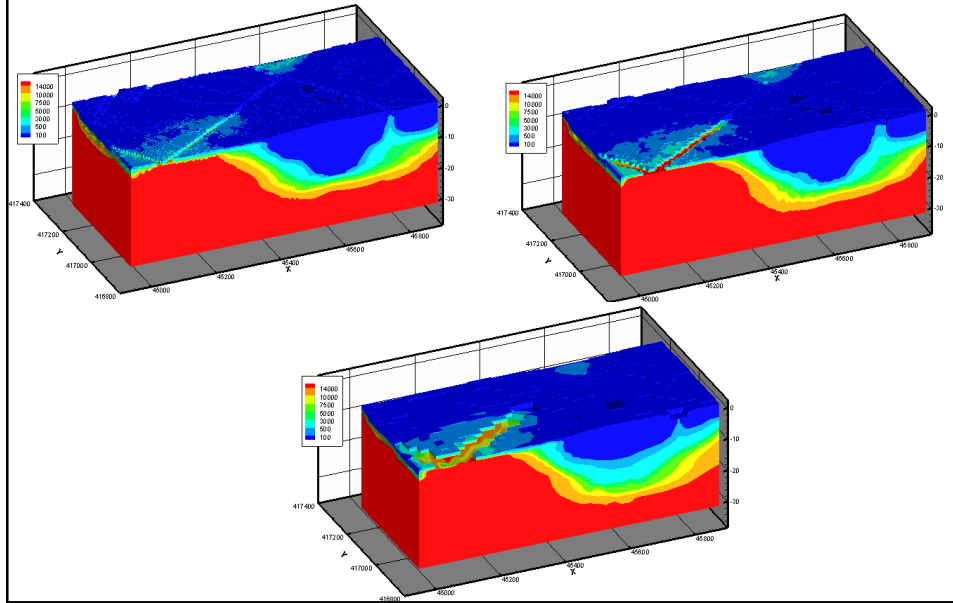
### Effect of size model cell on physical process



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

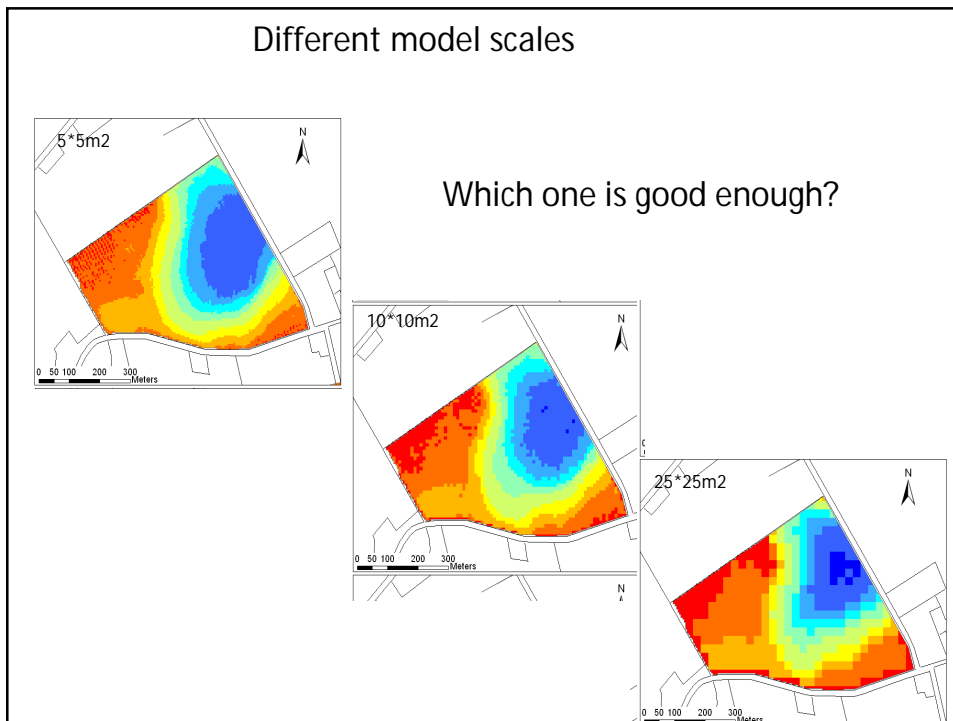


### Different model scales: 5, 10, 25m2



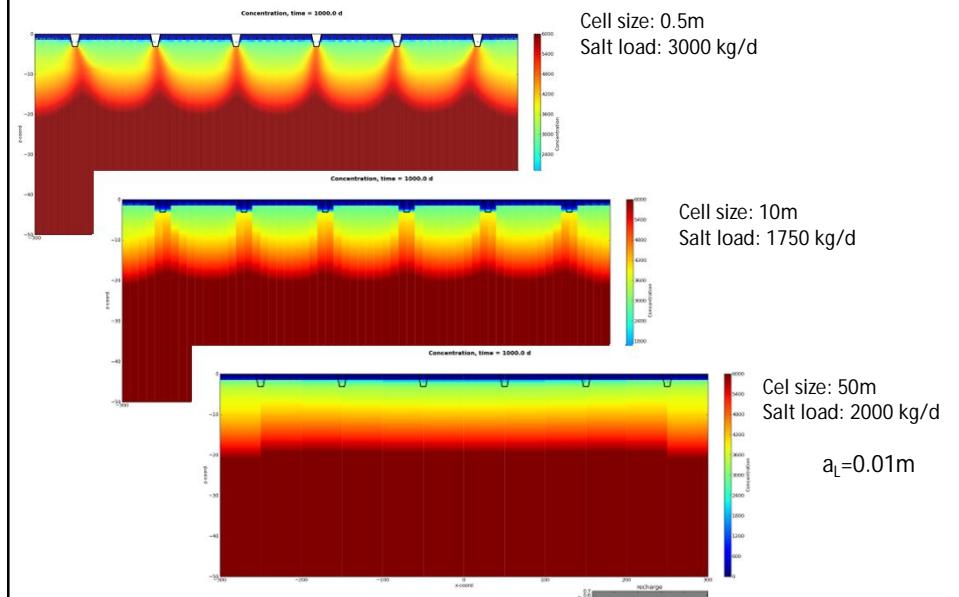
### Different model scales

Which one is good enough?

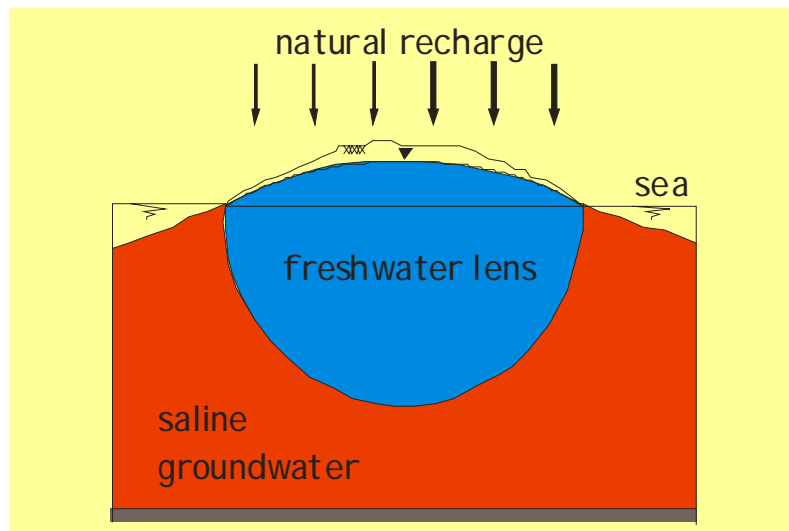




## Upscaling issues: upconing under ditch



## Evolution of a freshwater lens



**Question:**

*How long does it take before the volume of a freshwater lens is filled?:*

- a. 5 years
- b. 25 years
- c. 100 years
- d. 500 years

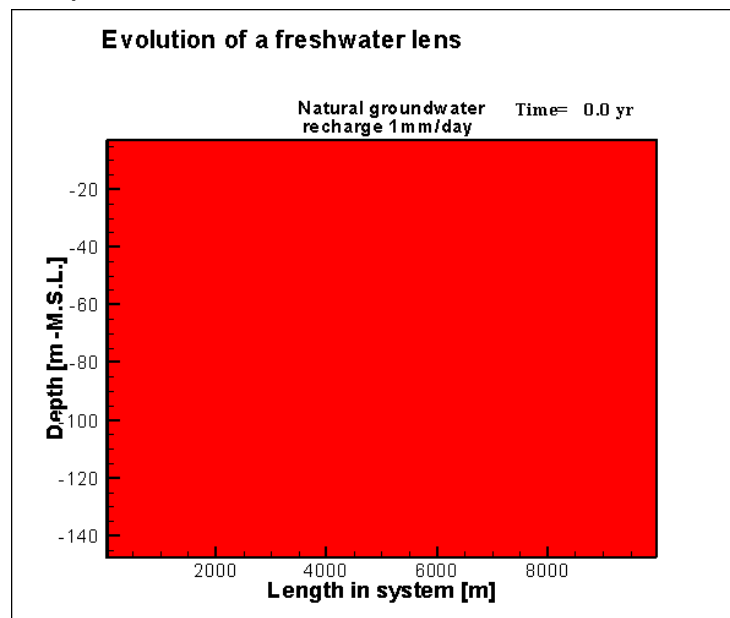
T = specific time scale

T = time period before the lens has reached 95% of its final form

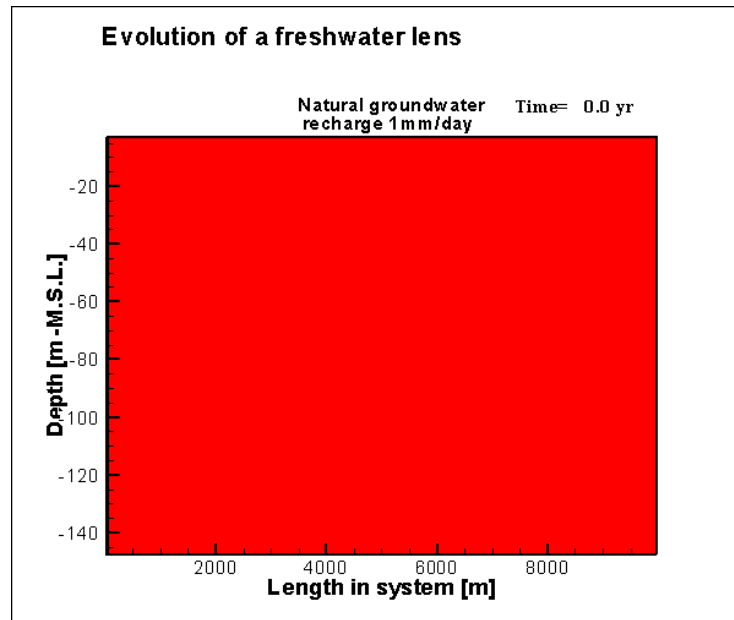
In the Netherlands: T = 75-200 jaar,

depends on:

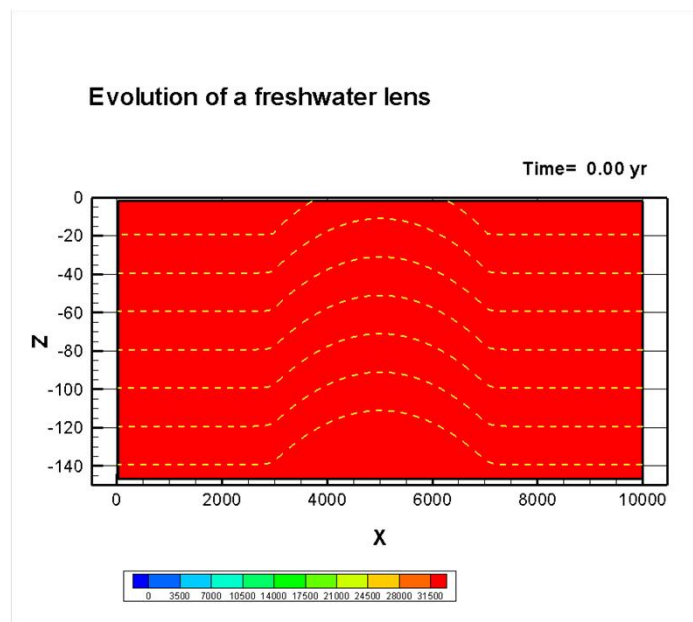
- width dune area
- natural groundwater recharge
- hydraulic conductivity soil

**Concept: evolution freshwater lens (not Griend!)**

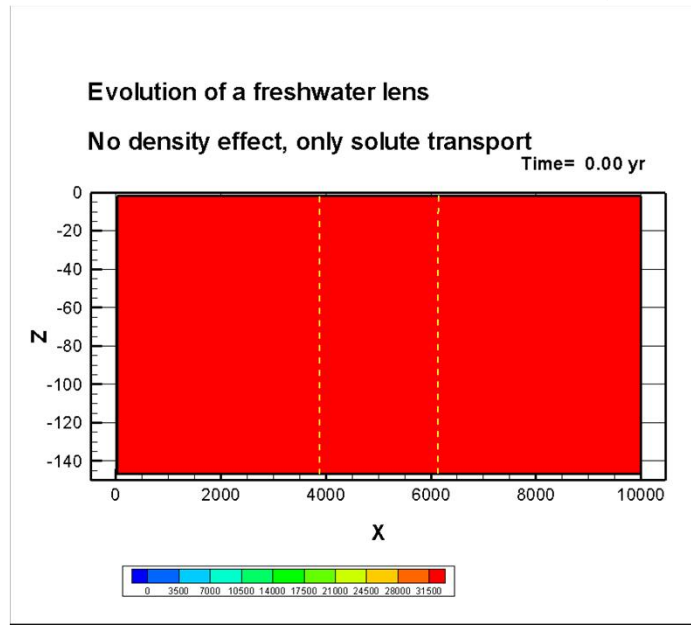
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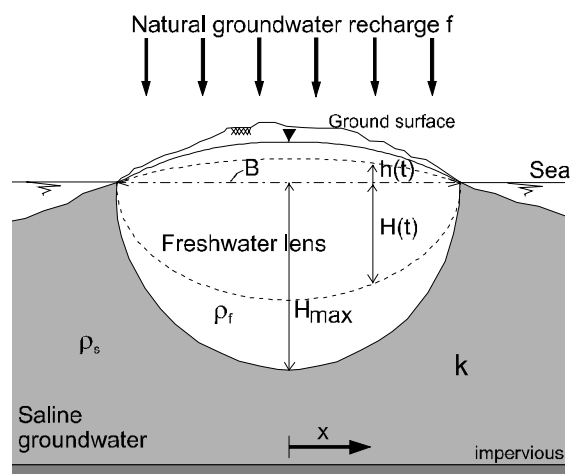
Evolution freshwater lens



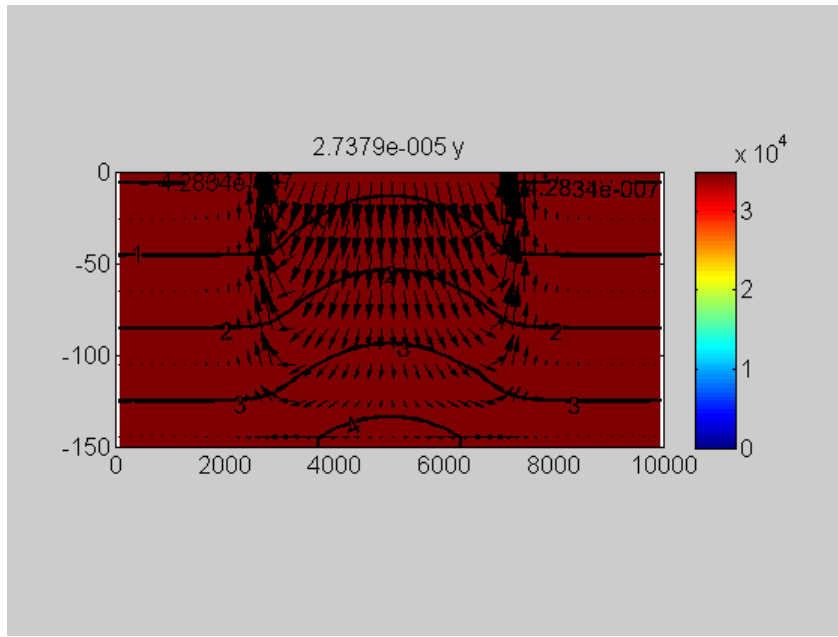
## Evolution freshwater lens: no density effects



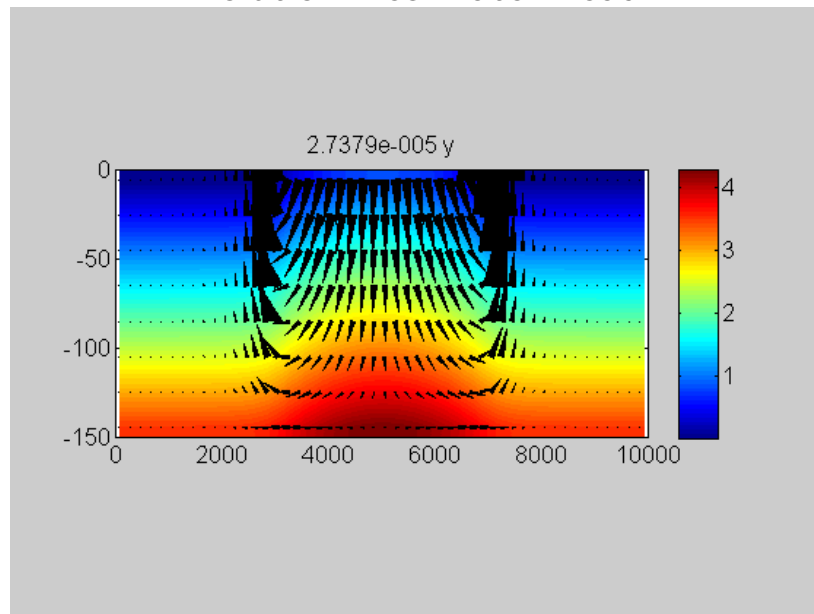
## Case 2: Development of a freshwater lens



### Evolution lens



### Evolution freshwater head



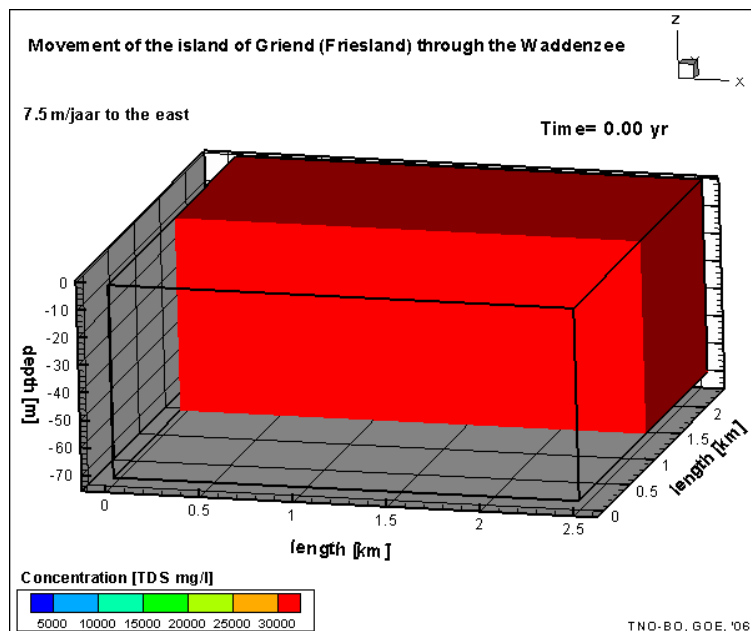
## The island of Griend

Issues:

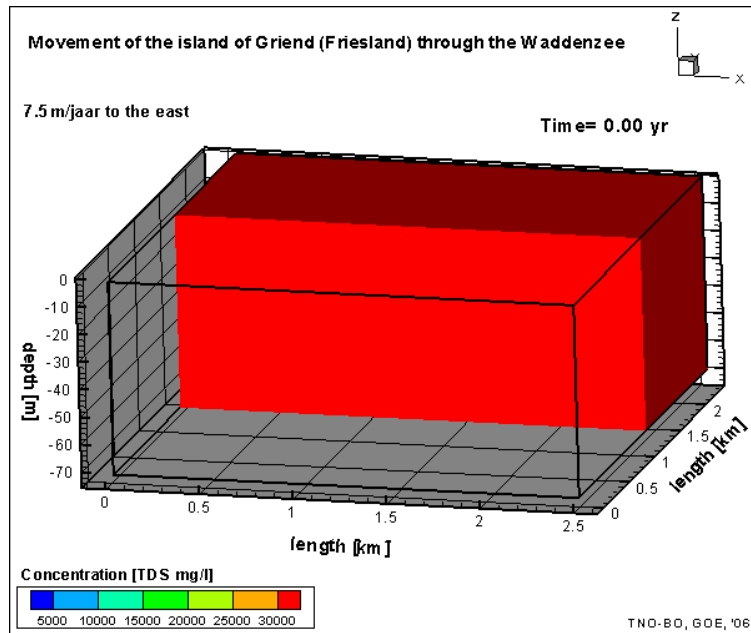
1. Small island moves ~7.5m per year to the east
2. Effect on the volume of the freshwater lens:
  - Can a lens be developed?
  - What is the thickness of the lens?



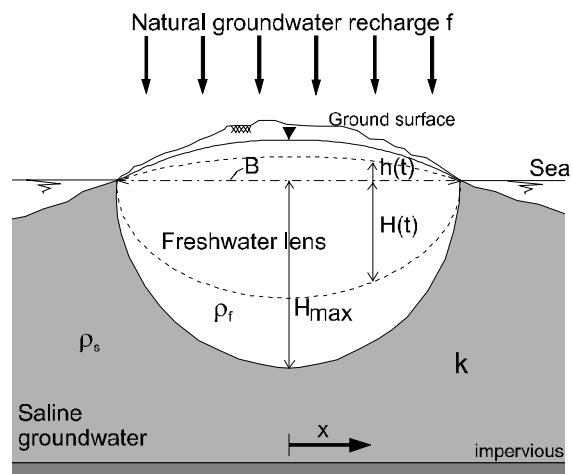
## Movement of De Griend and creation of the lens



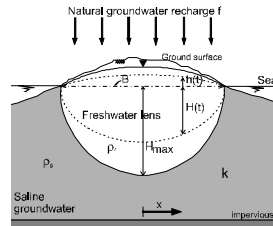
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## Case 2: Development of a freshwater lens



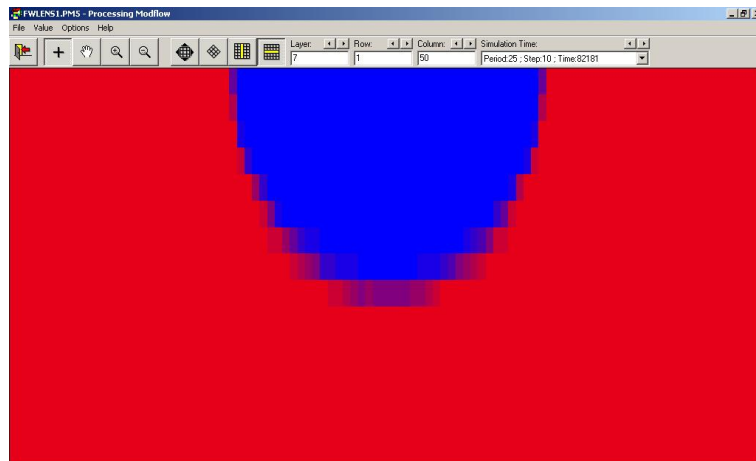
## Case 2: Development of a freshwater lens



### Parameters

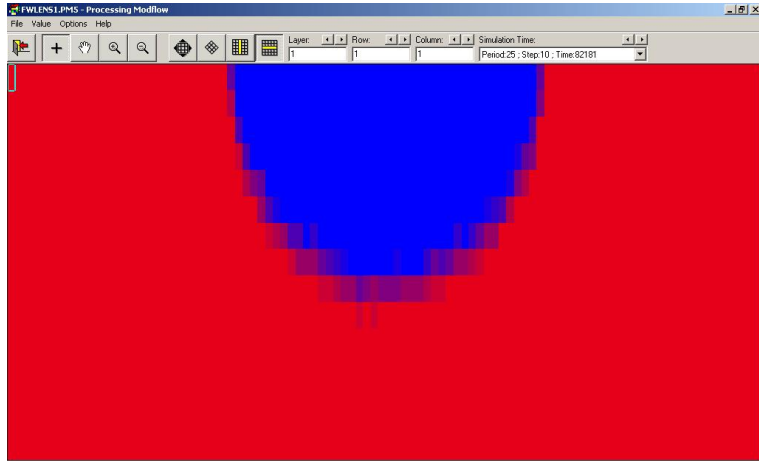
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$\Delta x$	100 m	ne	0.35
$\Delta y$	10 m	$\alpha L$	0 m
$\Delta z$	10 m	$\alpha T$	0 m
Stress periods	10	recharge	360 mm/y
Initial concentration	35000 mg/l	Recharge concentration	0 mg/l
bouyancy	0.025		

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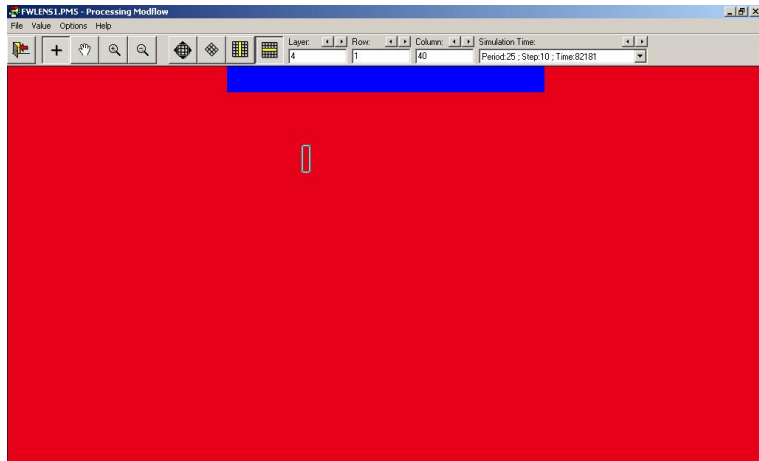




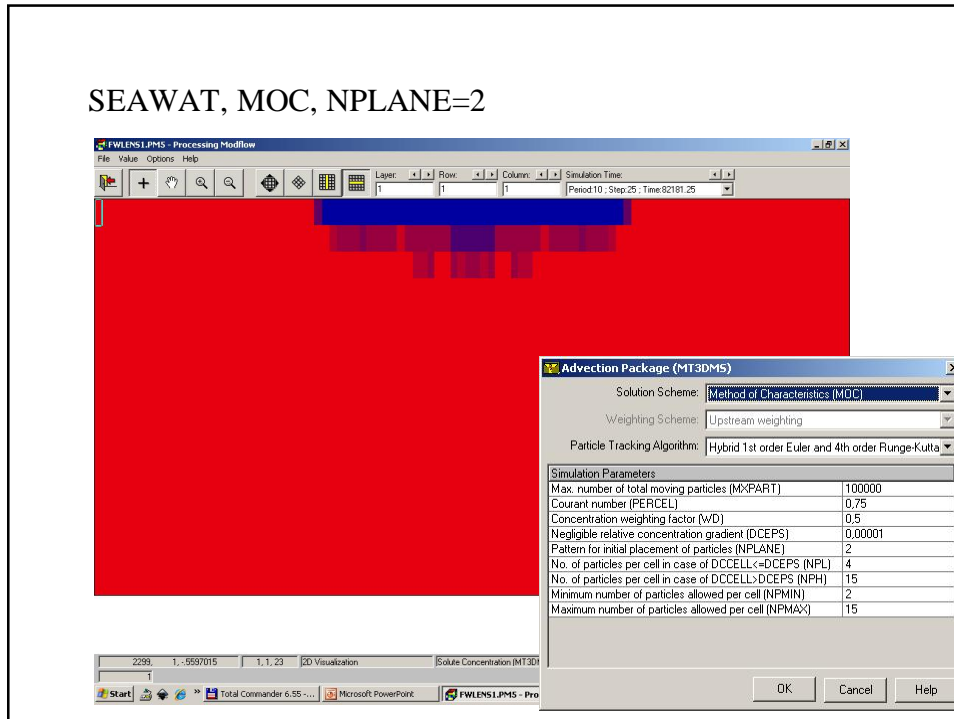
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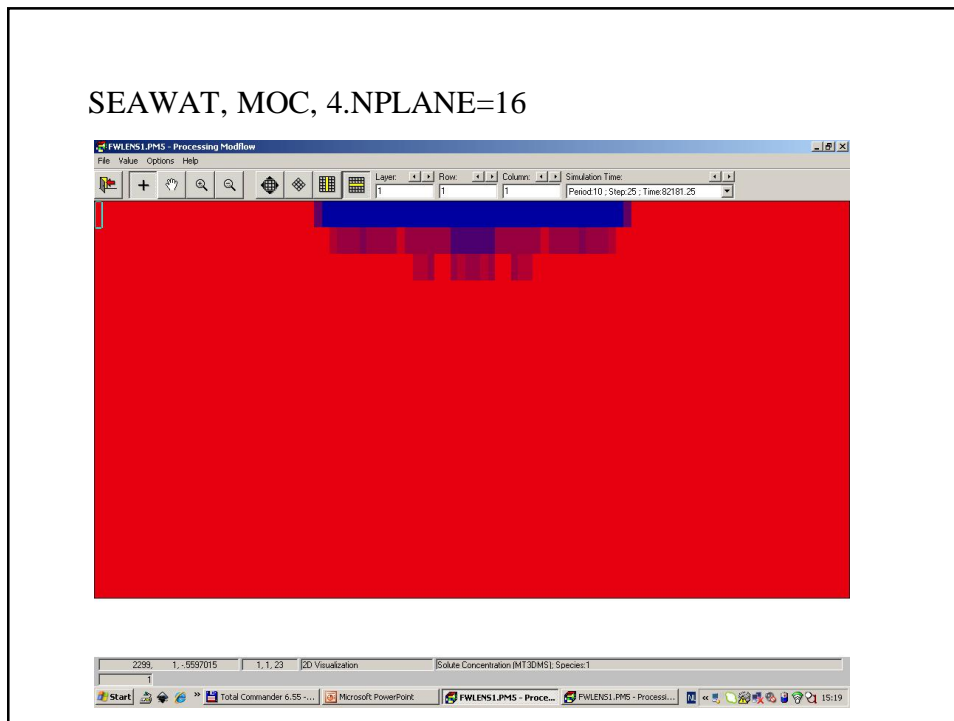
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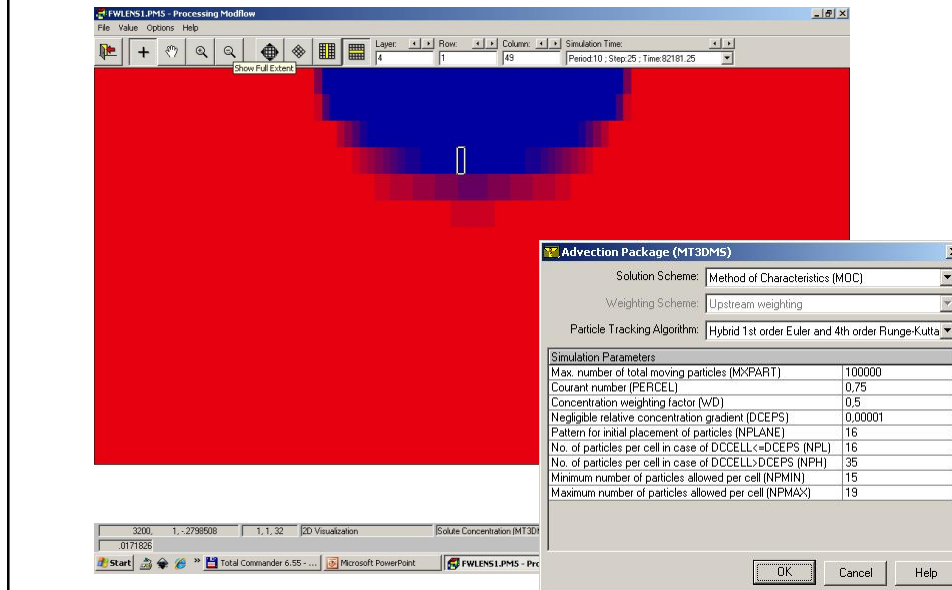
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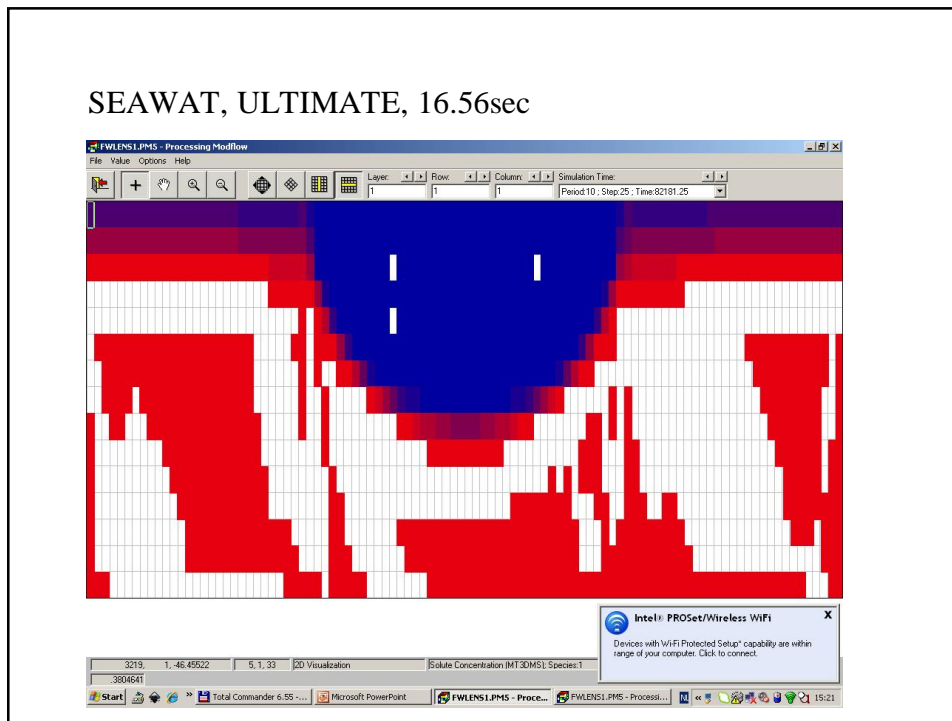
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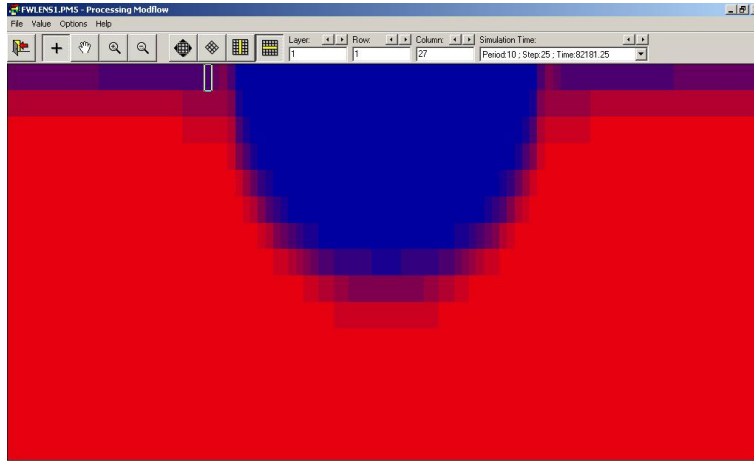
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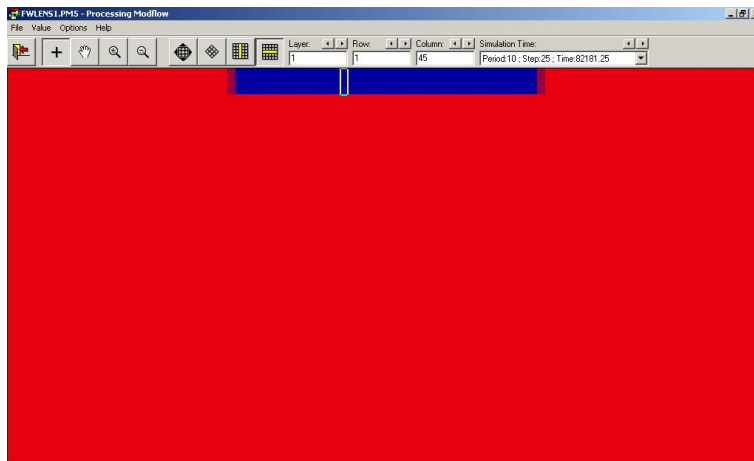
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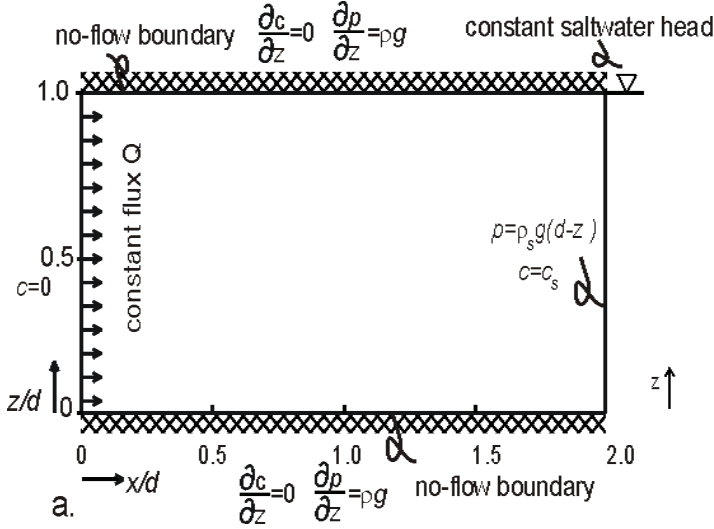
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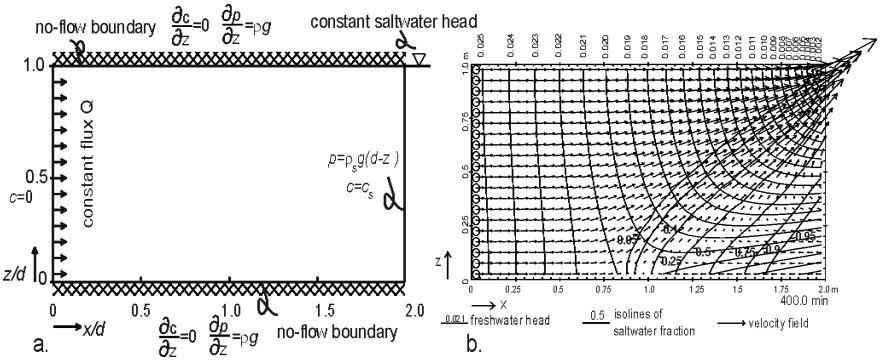
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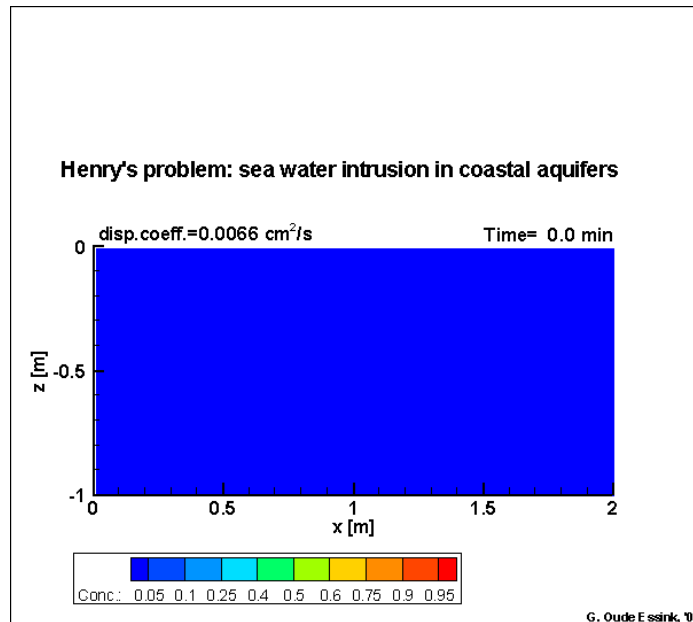


### Henry's problem



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cases



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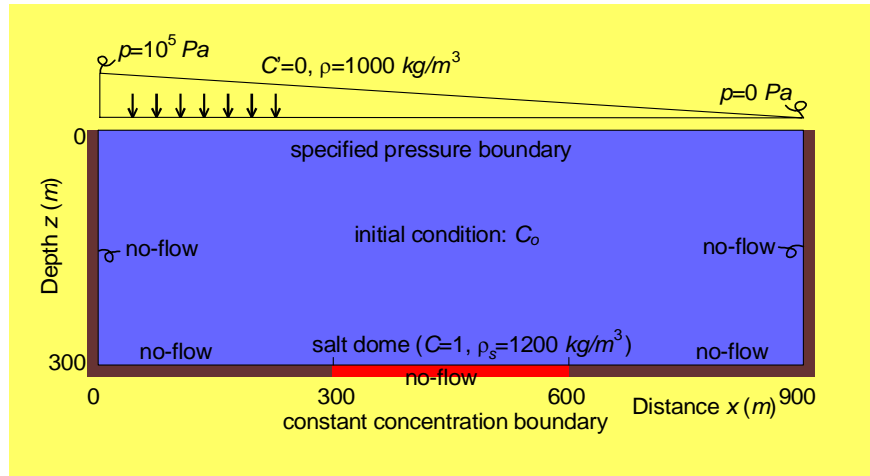
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Don't use the Henry problem as a variable-density benchmark,  
because even with a constant density model, the results  
are more or less the same!

## Hydrocoin:

cases

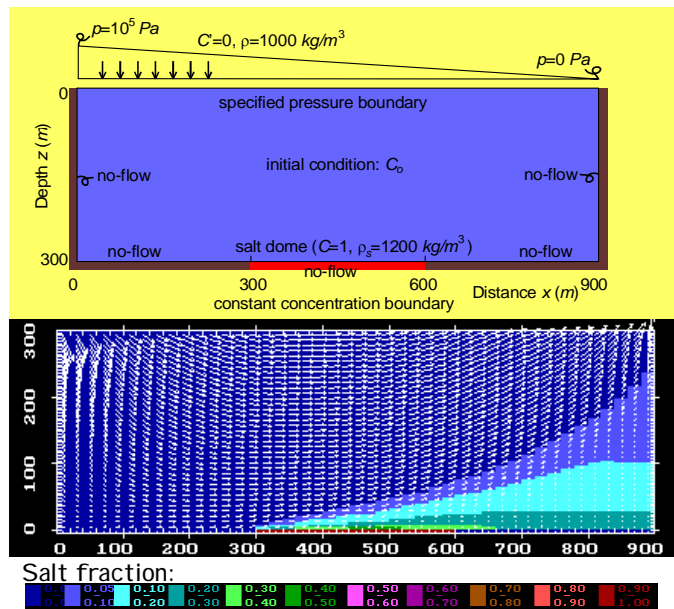
disposal of high-level nuclear waste  
groundwater movement near salt domes  
Gorleben salt dome, Germany



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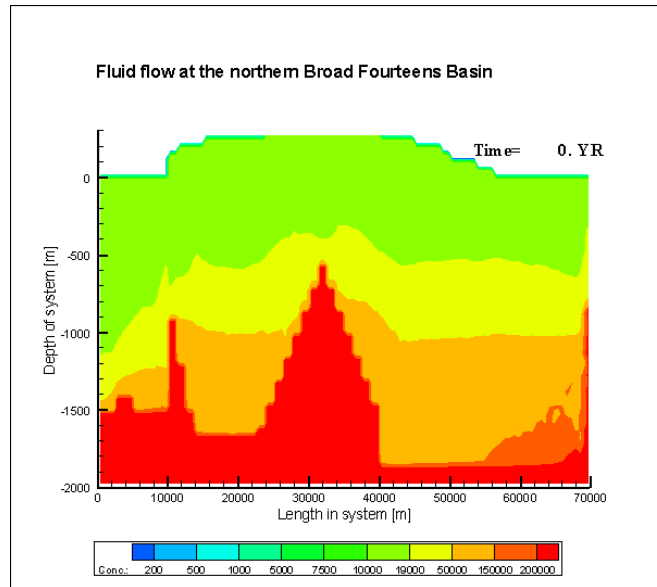
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### Broad 14 Basin, North Sea

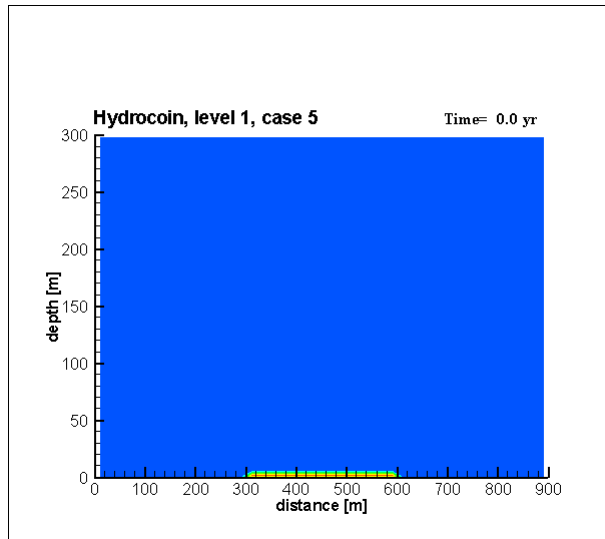
Geofluids'03, with L. Bouw



Bouw, L. & Oude Essink, G.H.P. 2003. Development of a freshwater lens in the inverted Broad Fourteens Basin, Netherlands offshore. J. of Geochemical Exploration (78-79), 321-325.

### Hydrocoin: effect of boundary condition (I)

supply of brine through advection and hydrodynamic dispersion

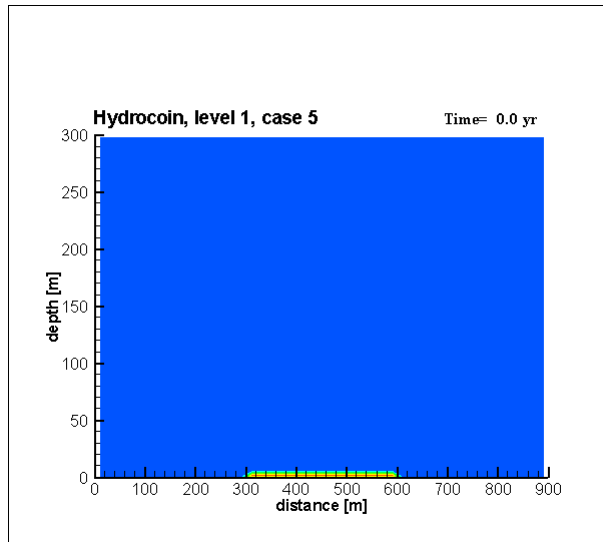


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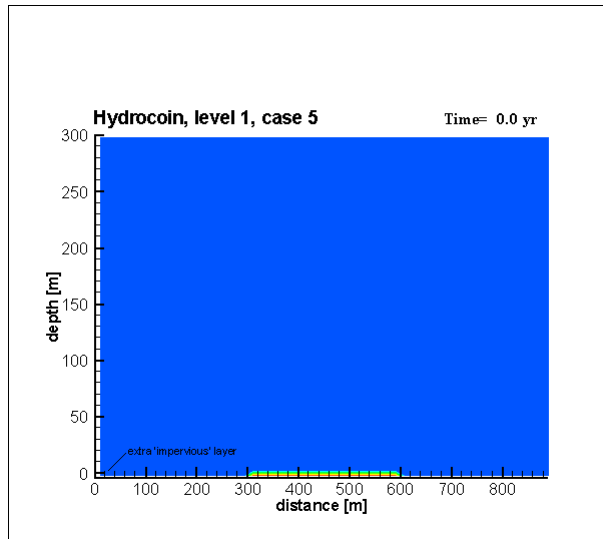
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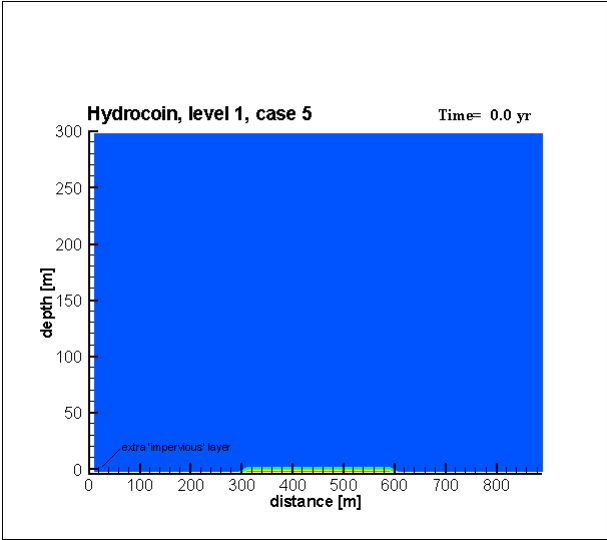
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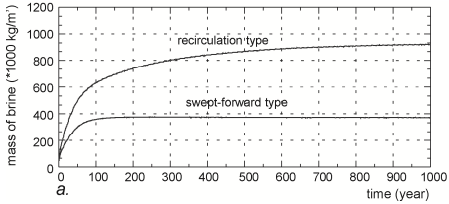
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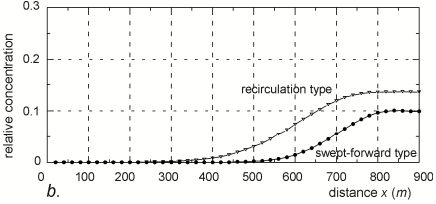


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### Hydrocoin: difference recirculation vs swept forward

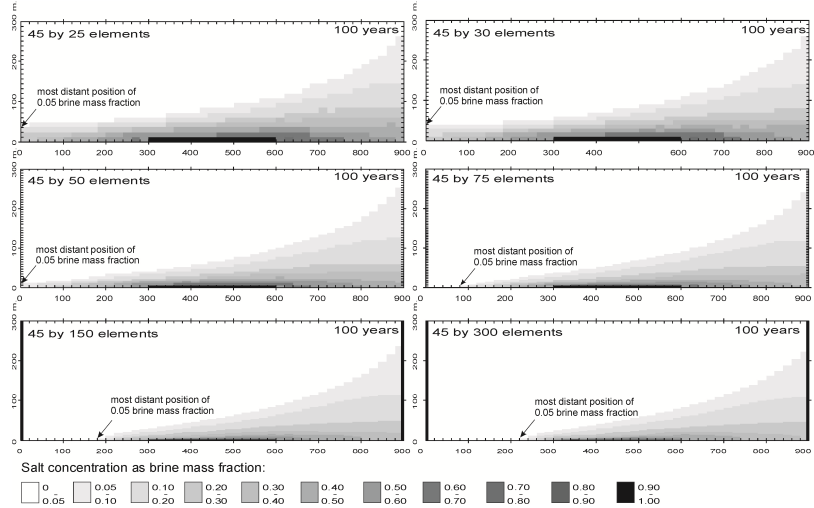


total mass of brine



brine conc at depth=200m

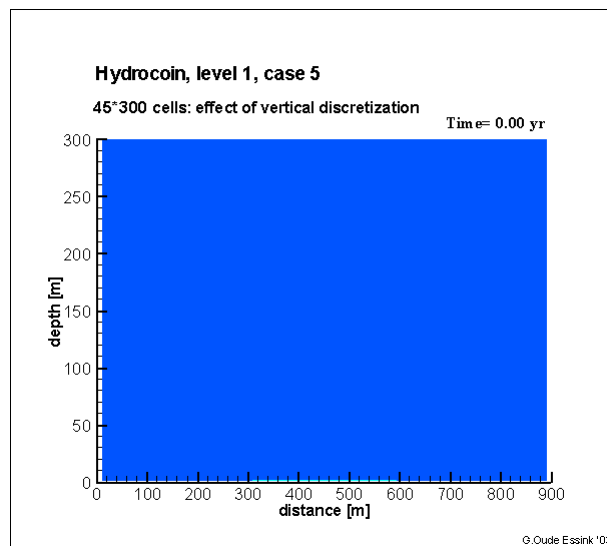
## Hydrocoin: effect of vertical grid size



Recirculation type

## Hydrocoin: effect of vertical discretization (III) <sup>cases</sup>

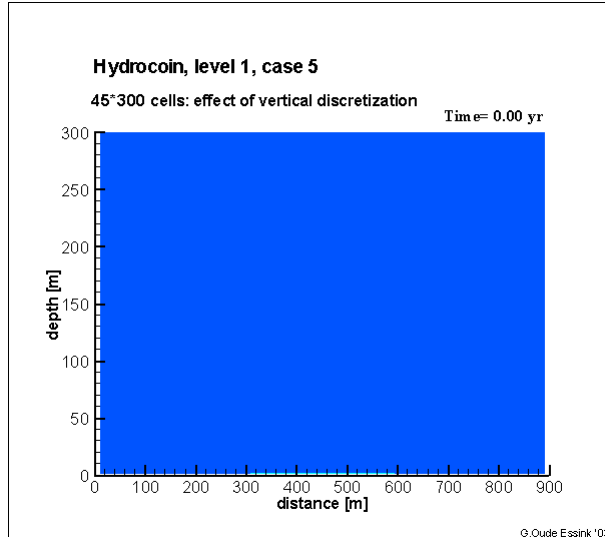
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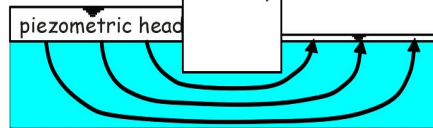


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## Analogy physical processes

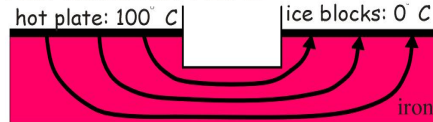
Heat transport (analogy with solute transport)

Groundwater flow: Darcy



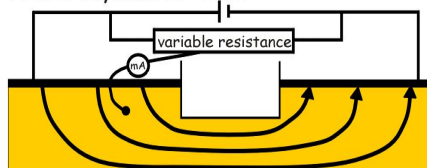
$$q = -k \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x}$$

Heat conduction: Fourier



$$h = -\lambda \frac{\partial T}{\partial x}$$

Electrodynamics: Ohm



$$i = -\sigma \frac{\partial V}{\partial x}$$

## Conduction and convection of heat

$$h = -\lambda_e \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + n_e \rho c_f VT$$

heat flux    conduction (Fourier)    convection (fluid flow)

thermal conductivity [Joule/(ms<sup>0</sup> C)]

$$\lambda_e = n_e \lambda_{fluid} + (1 - n_e) \lambda_{solid}$$

continuity equation

$$-\frac{\partial h}{\partial x} = \rho' c' \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$$

specific heat capacity [Joule/(kg<sup>0</sup> C)]

$$\rho' c' = n_e \rho c_{fluid} + (1 - n_e) \rho_{solid} c_{solid}$$

## Analogy solute and heat transport

Solute: advection-dispersion equation

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left( D_{ij} \frac{\partial C}{\partial x_j} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (C V_i) + \frac{(C - C') W}{n_e}$$

Heat: convection-conduction equation

$$\rho' c' \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left( \Lambda_{ij} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x_j} \right) - \rho c_f \frac{\partial T}{\partial x_i} q_i + \Gamma$$

## Analogy heat and solute transport

Heat transport

Convection-conduction equation

$$\rho'c' \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left( \Lambda_{ij} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x_j} \right) - \rho c_f \frac{\partial T q_i}{\partial x_i} + \Gamma$$

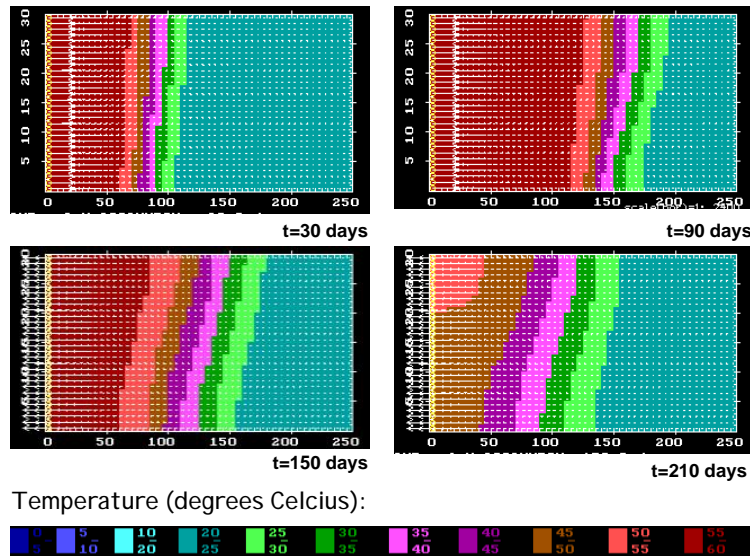
Equation of state: relation density & temperature

$$\rho_{i,j,k} = \rho_f (1 - \alpha_f T_{i,j,k})$$

Analogy between solute and heat transport

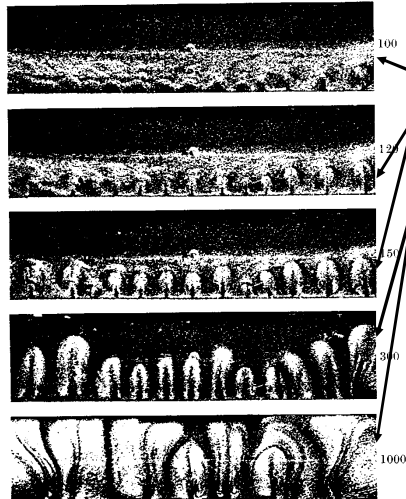
Solute	Heat
$C$	$T$
$R_d$	$1 + \frac{(1-n_e)\rho_s c_s}{n_e \rho c_f}$
$D_m$	$\frac{n_e \lambda_e + (1-n_e)\lambda_s}{n_e \rho c_f}$
$\lambda$	0

## Energy storage in geothermal reservoirs



## Elder problem (I)

It is originally a heat transport problem



Phases:

1. Stable growth diffusive boundary layer
2. Development flow cells embedded in boundary layer
3. Emergence of disturbances that grow into fingers

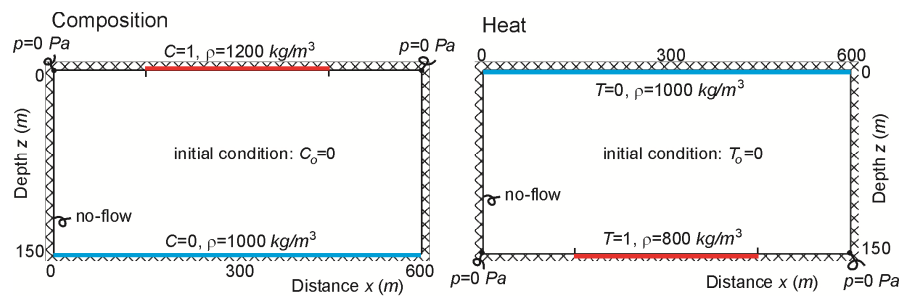
Convection of heat occurs when:

$$\text{Rayleigh number} > 4\pi^2$$

Elder, J. Fluid Mech. 32, 69-96, 1968

## Elder problem (II)

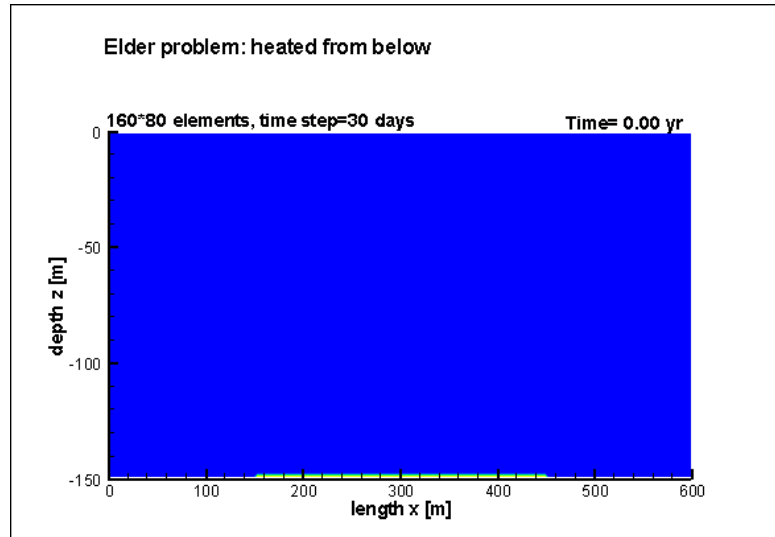
### Analogy composition and heat



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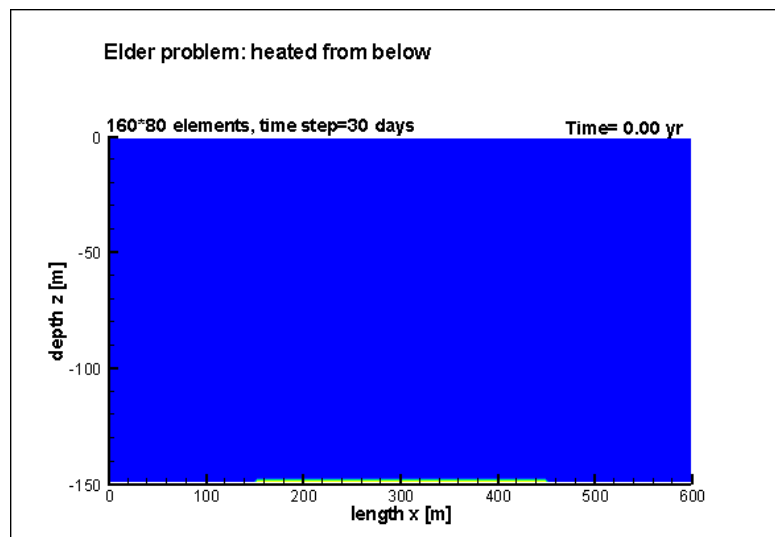
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Development of convection cells (Rayleigh number=400)



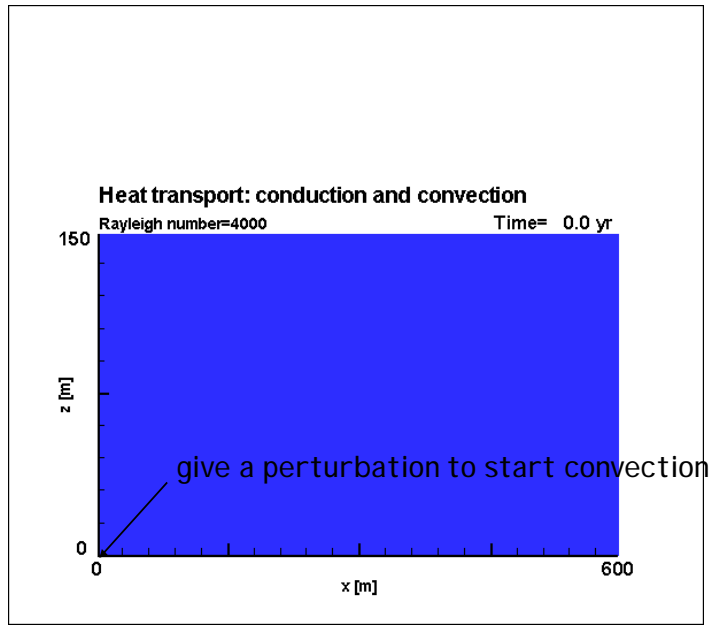
### Elder problem (III)

Development of convection cells (Rayleigh number=400)





### Heat transport (Rayleigh number=4000)



### Impact of the 26-12-04 Tsunami on groundwater systems



Sri Lanka  
Some days after December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2004

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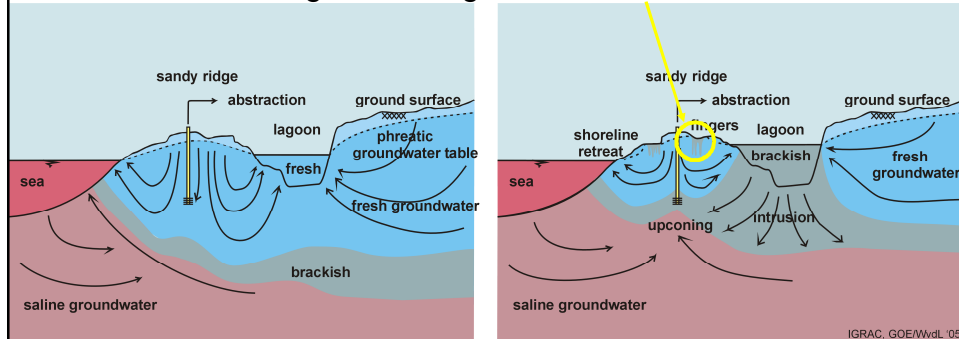
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2. Evolution of a freshwater lens after flooding by sea water
3. Freshwater lens in a coastal aquifer with a brackish lagoon

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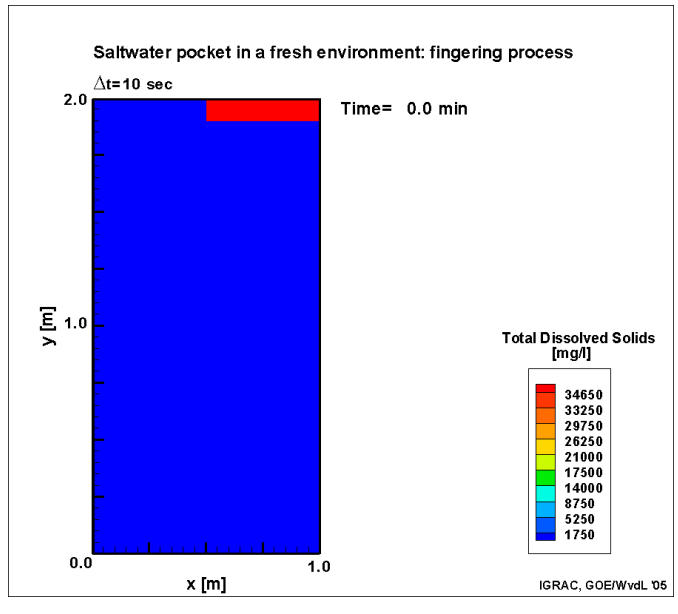
quantifying processes in real situations, using topographic and hydrogeological data, and ending up with vulnerability maps

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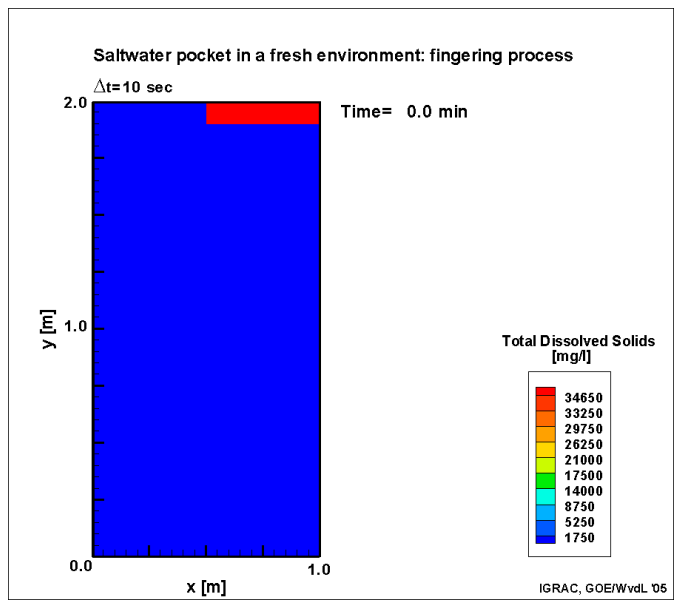
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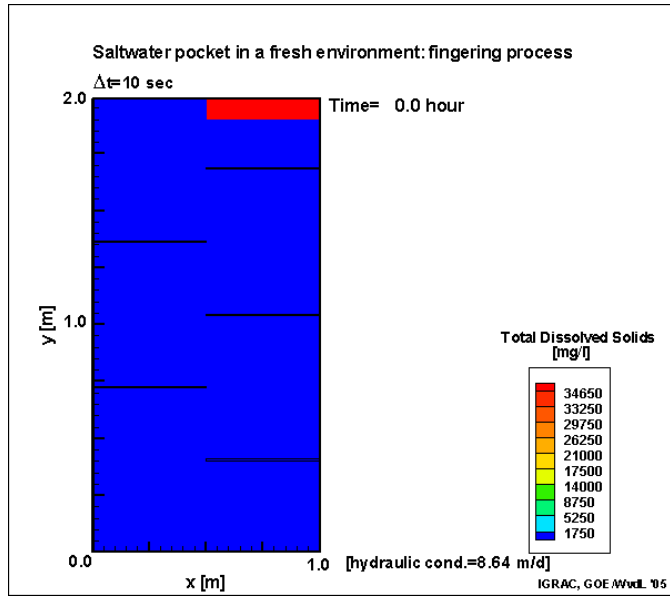
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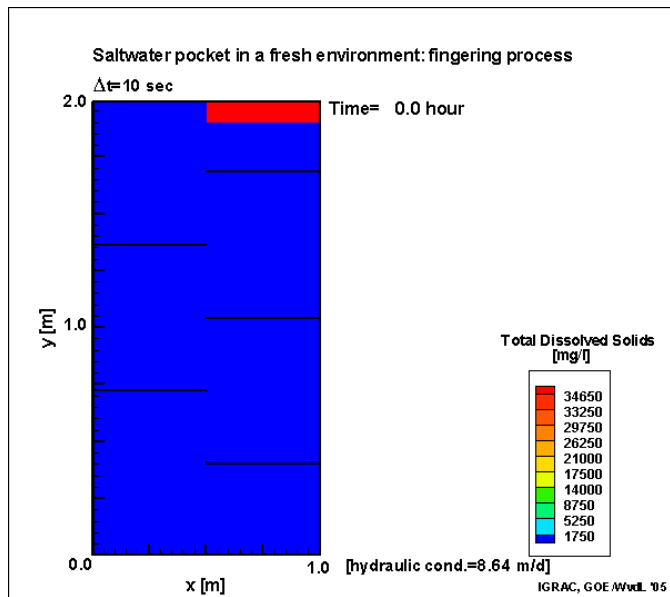
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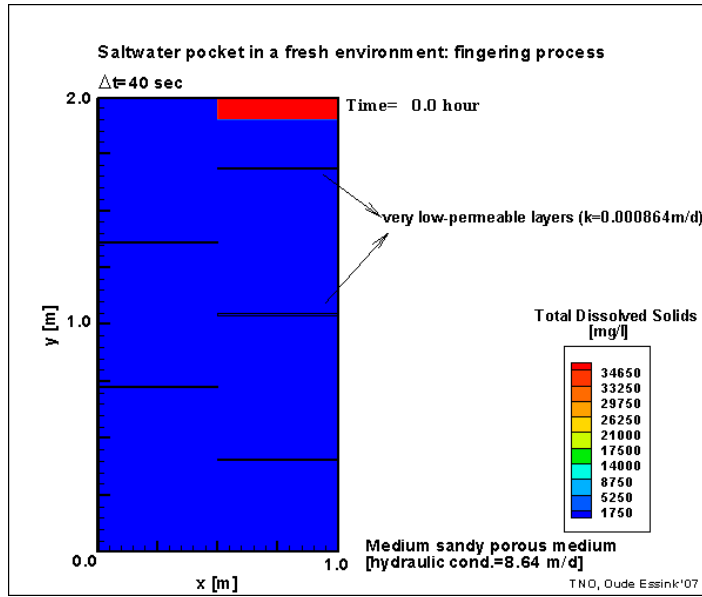
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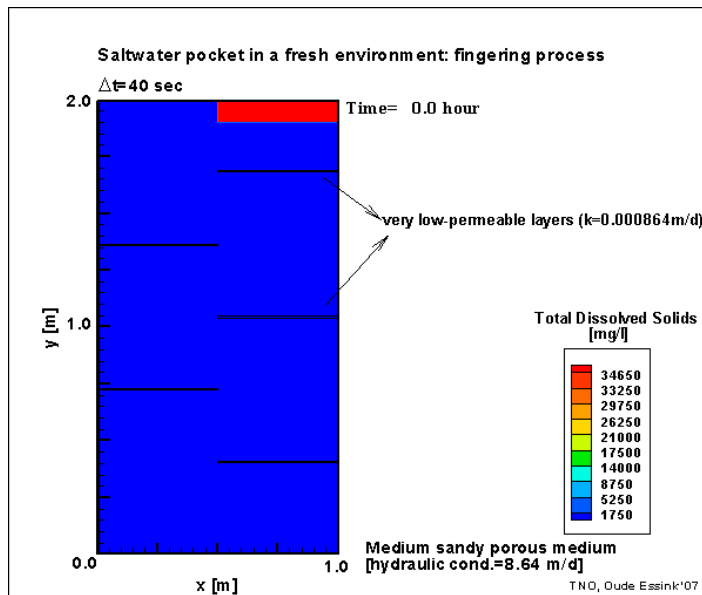
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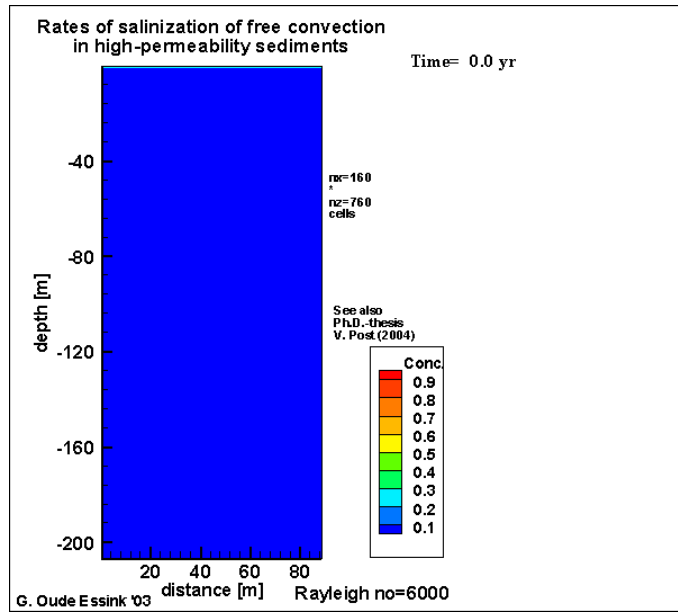
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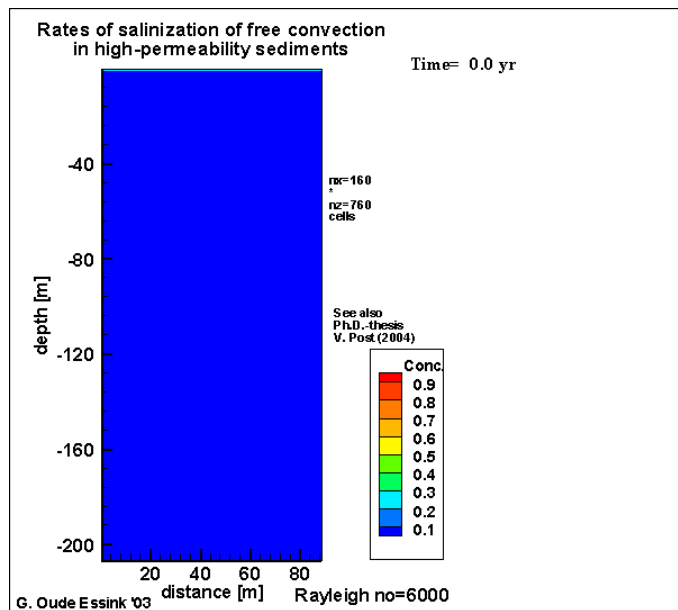
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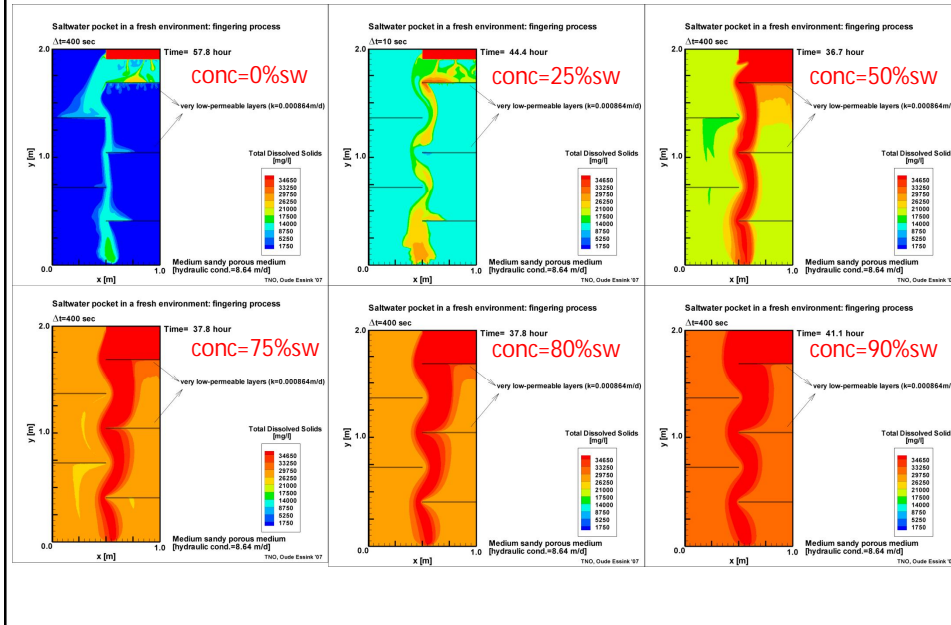
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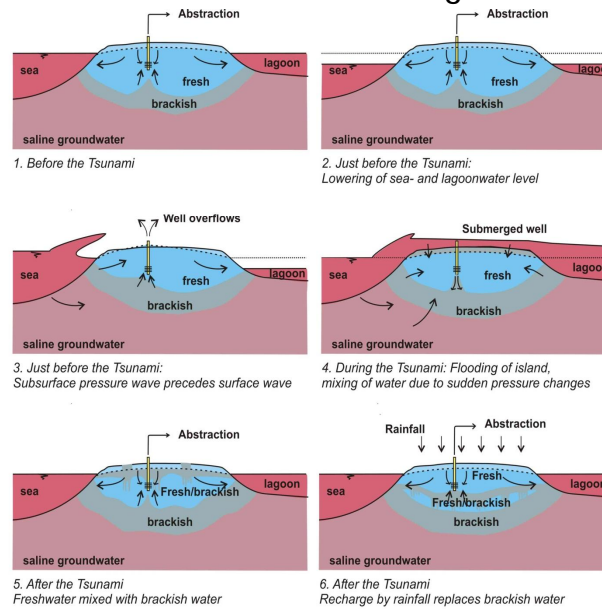
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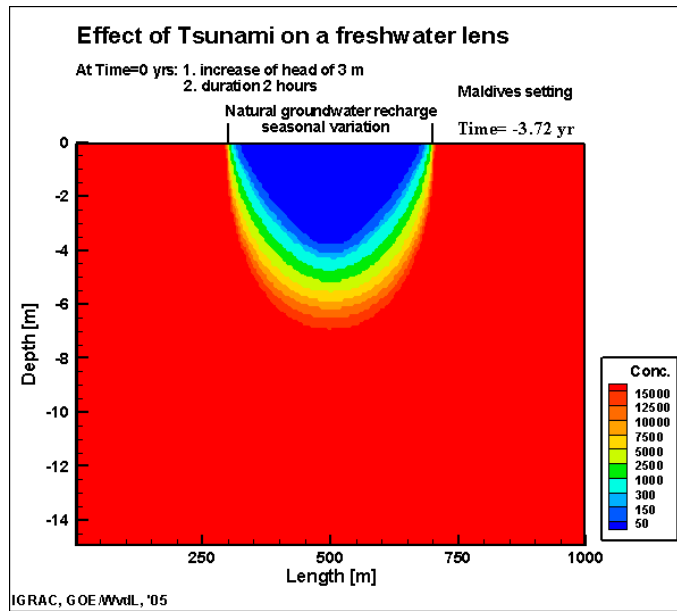
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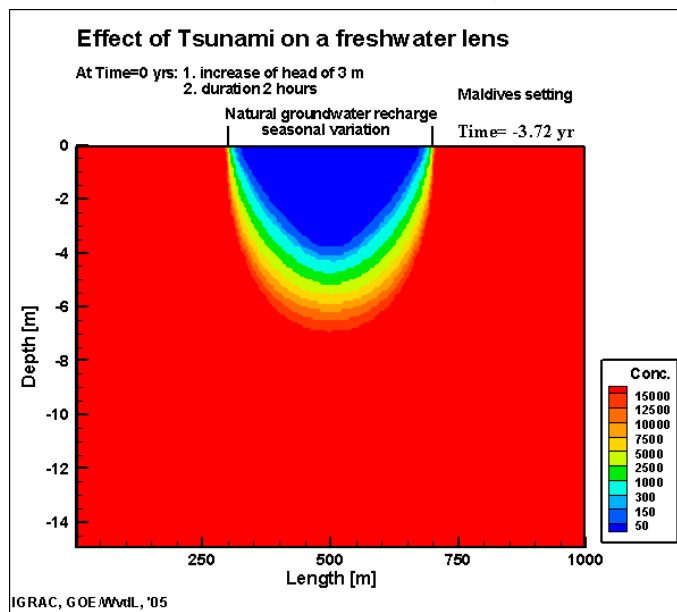
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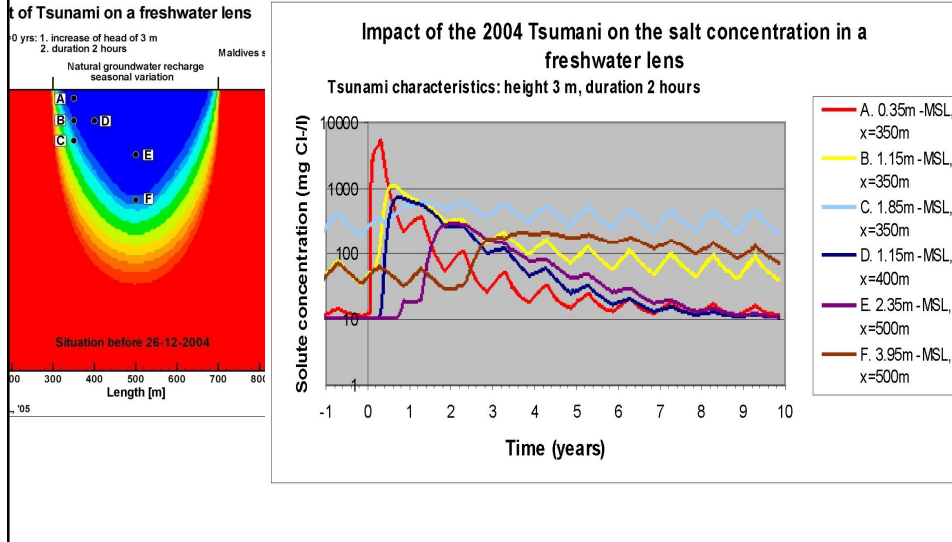


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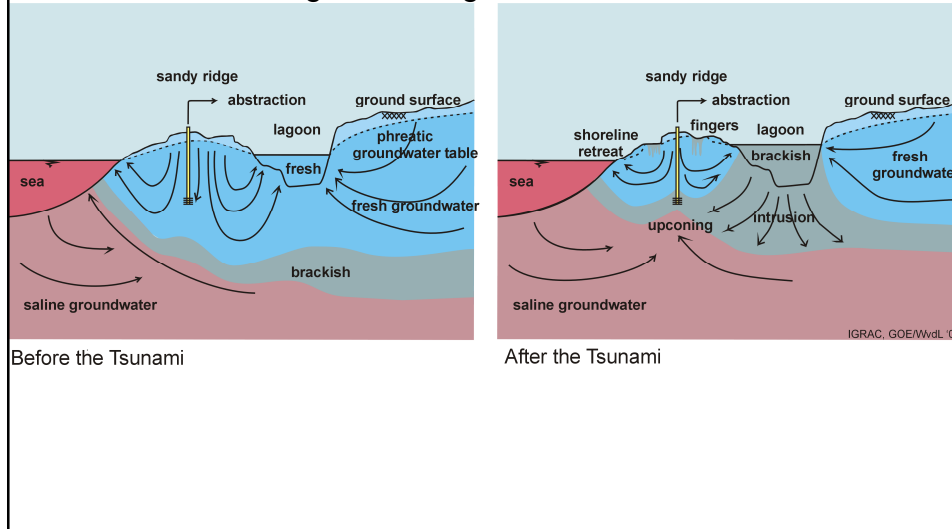


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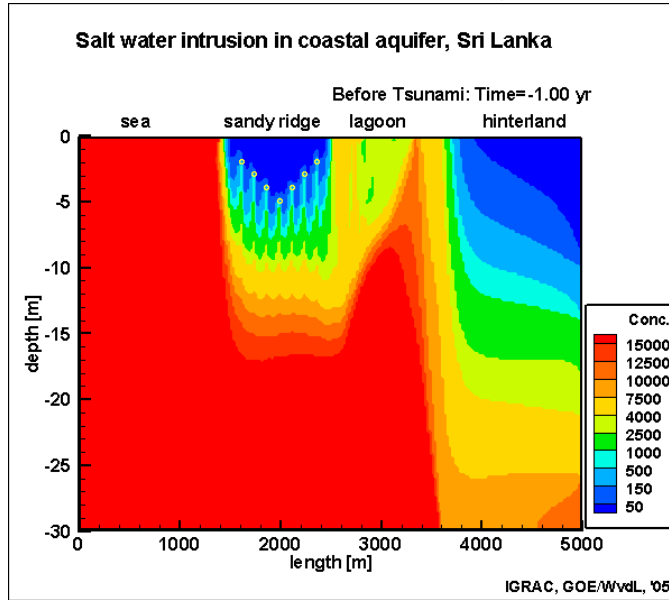


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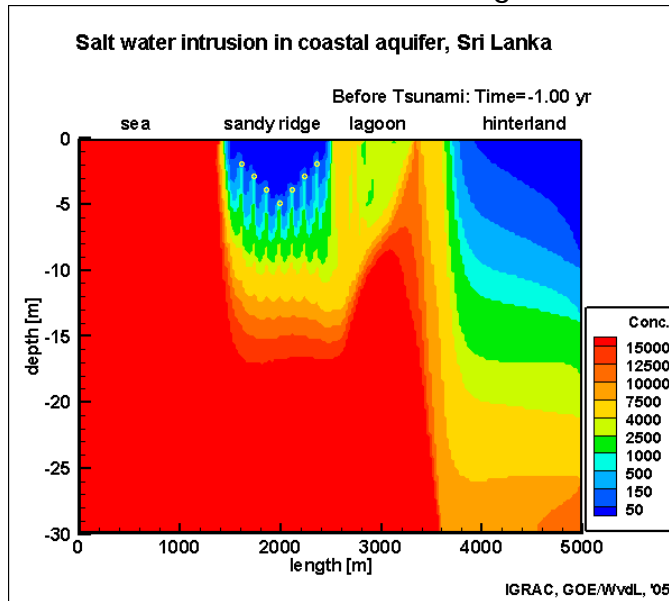
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