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Sensitivity analysis to evaluate a new spatialized process-oriented model of water and pesticide transfers at the catchment scale

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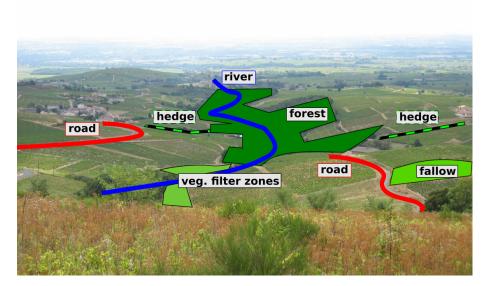
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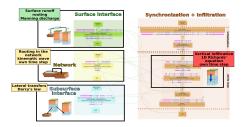


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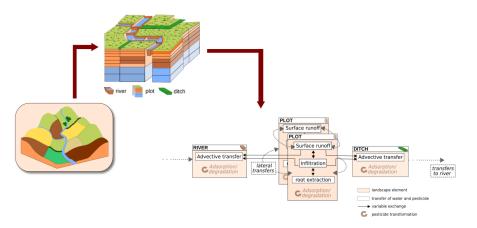


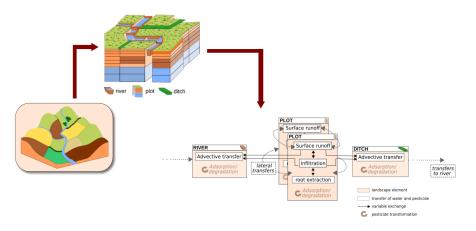
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- ✓ Coupling of modules within the OpenPALM coupler (Fouilloux and Piacentini 1999) turning the structure flexible





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⇒Complex structure may lead to additionnal difficulties to diagnose model behavior!

**Objectives** 



Necessary to quantify and reduce the uncertainty associated to the model output variables, particularly for decision-making. Global Sensitivity Analysis (GSA) is a necessary step.

- ? Which tools to address the question of GSA in a modular, spatialized model of pesticide transfers?
- ? How can GSA be a tool to assess physical processes representation in PESHMELBA model ?

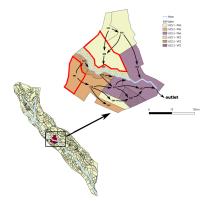
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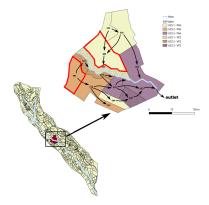
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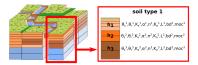


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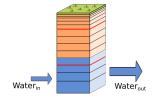


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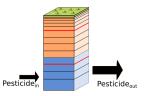
 $\Rightarrow$  145 parameters to be sampled but simulations computationally costly : limited to Latin Hypercube Sample of 4,000 points

Target output

✓ Cumulated water lateral flow (saturated flow only)



✓ Cumulated pesticide lateral flow (advection/saturated flow only)



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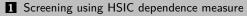
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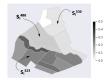
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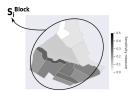
- 2 Ranking using Sobol method
- 3 Comparison with ranking from HSIC dependence measure

No.

 $2\ distinct\ ways\ to\ scrutinized\ spatialized\ output\ variables\ sensitivity$  :



**1. Site sensitivity indices:** as many analysis as spatial locations



**2. Block sensitivity indices:** Single analysis with respect to the whole spatial domain, aggregated indices

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After screening (statistical hypothesis tests based on HSIC measure (De Lozzo and Marrel 2014)):

- ✓ Cumulated Water Lateral Flow : 84 remaining parameters
- ✓ Cumulated Pesticide Lateral Flow : 80 remaining parameters





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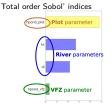
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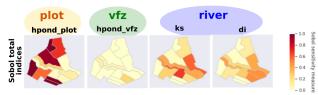
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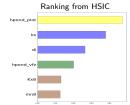


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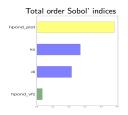


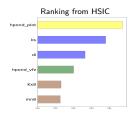


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 $\implies$  Good match between HSIC and Sobol ranking

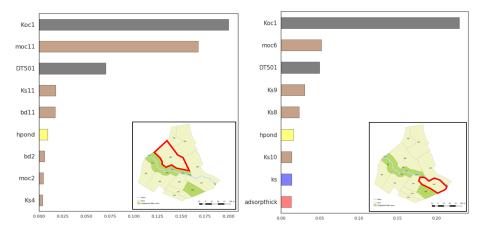






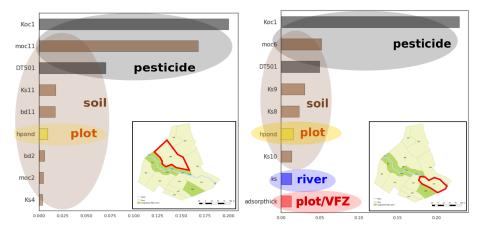
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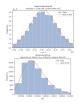


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- ✓ LHS also informs about output variables distribution : mainly gaussian or lognormal
  ⇒ Valuable information for next step : uncertainty reduction using data assimilation







# Thanks for your attention ! Questions ?

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