

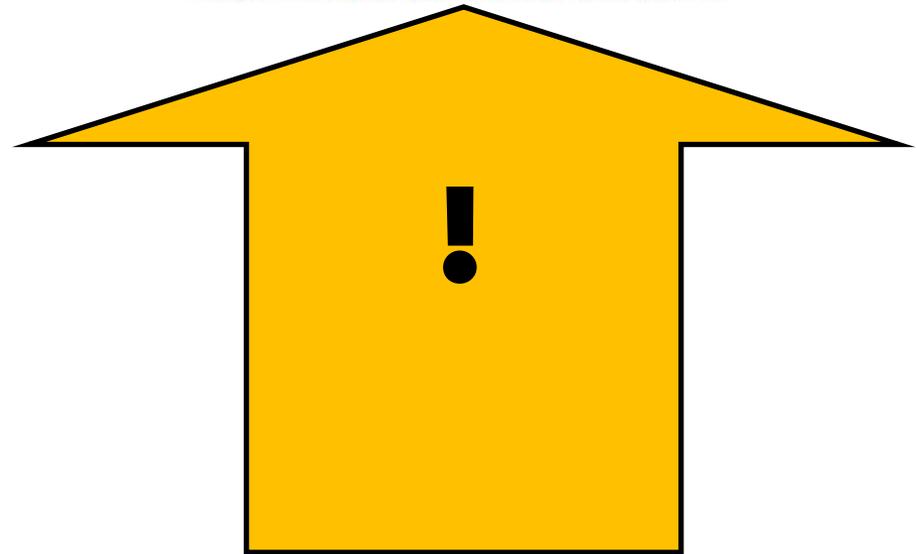


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¿Sistemas lóticos?

... riverinos

... fluviales

SISTEMAS LÓTICOS

¿Qué son?

¿Cuáles son sus características?

¿Qué los hace funcionar?

¿Homogéneos o heterogéneos?

¿Conectados o desconectados?

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LÓTICOS



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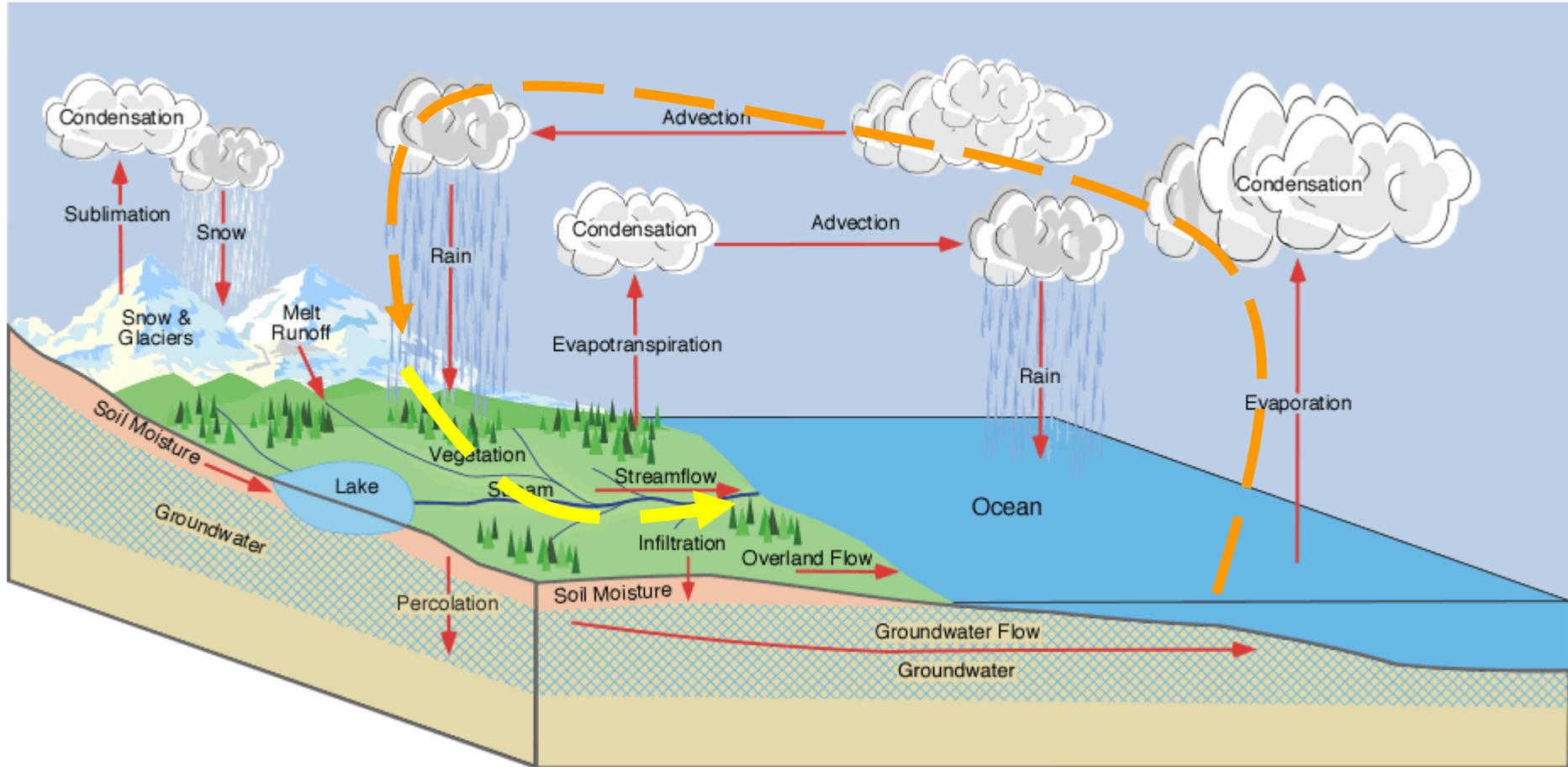
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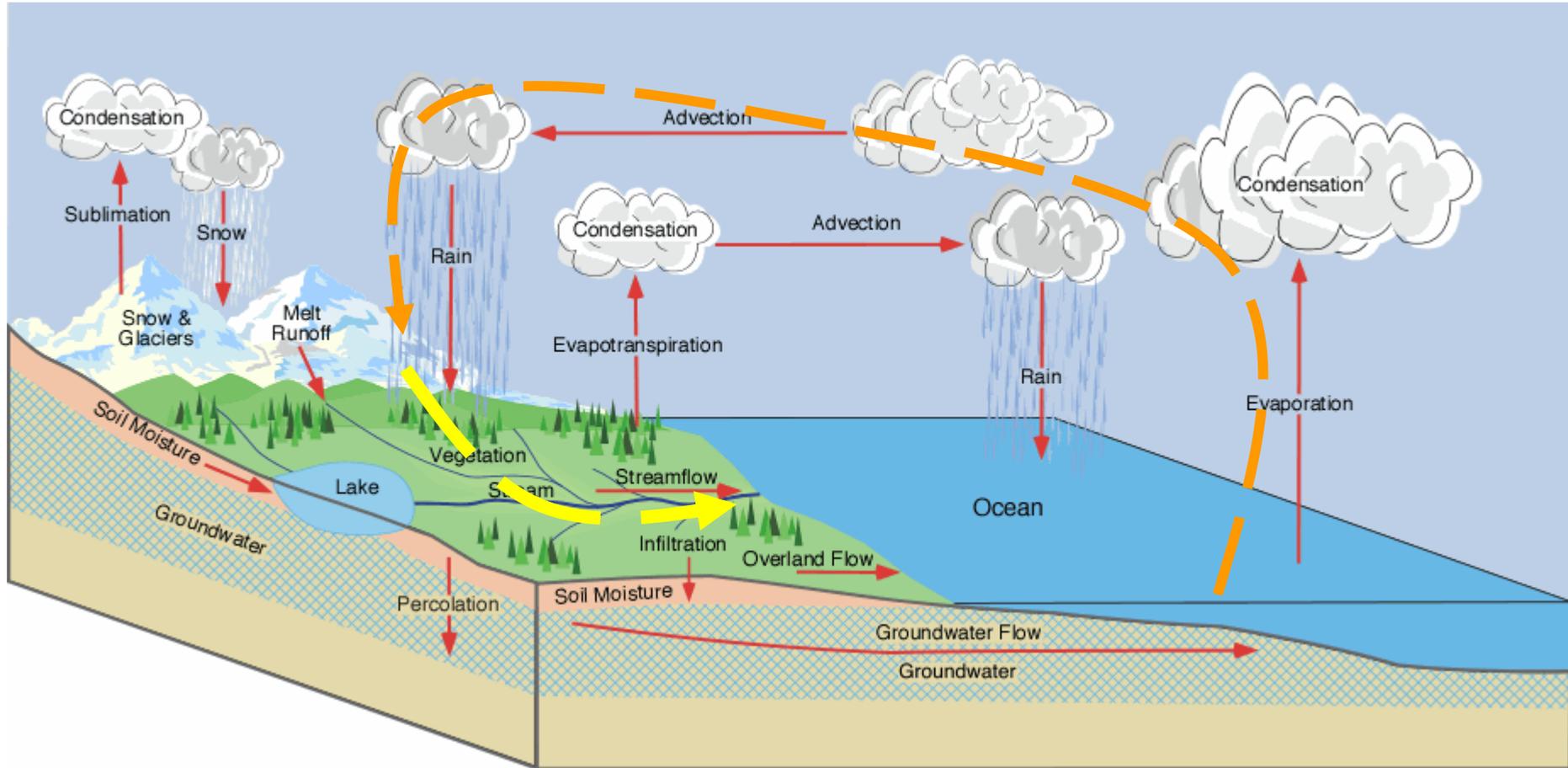
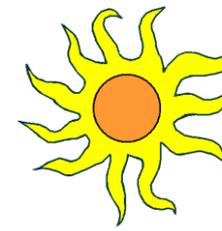
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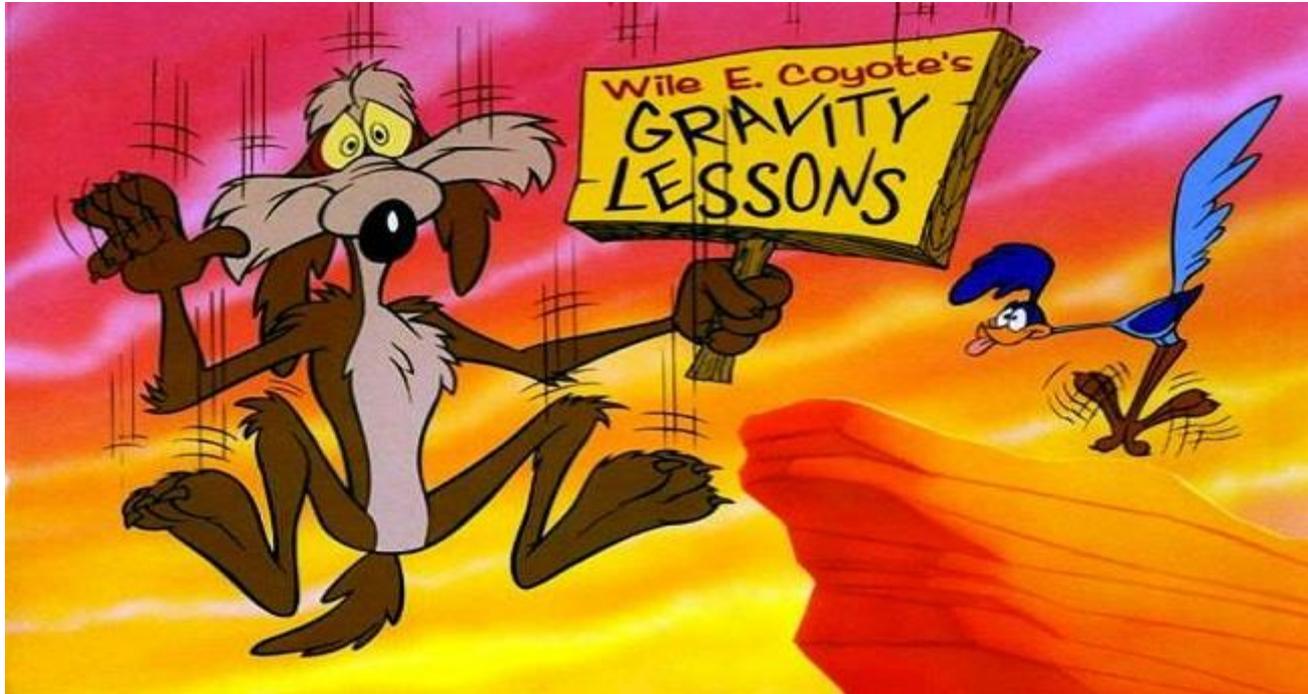
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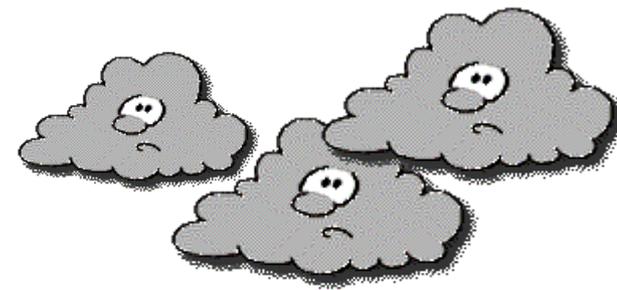
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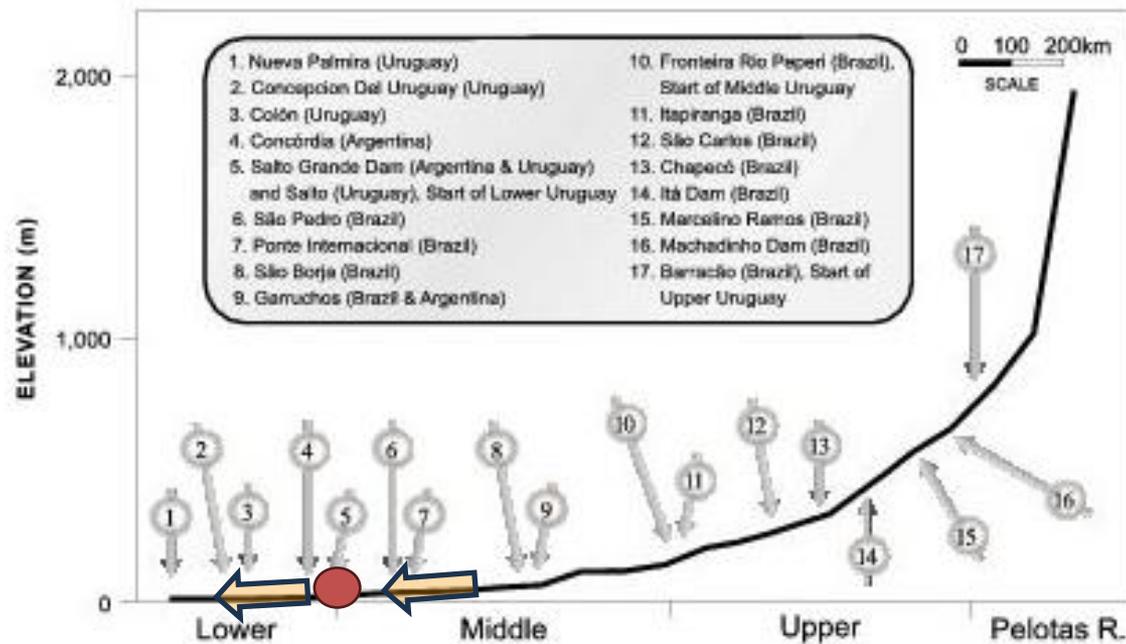


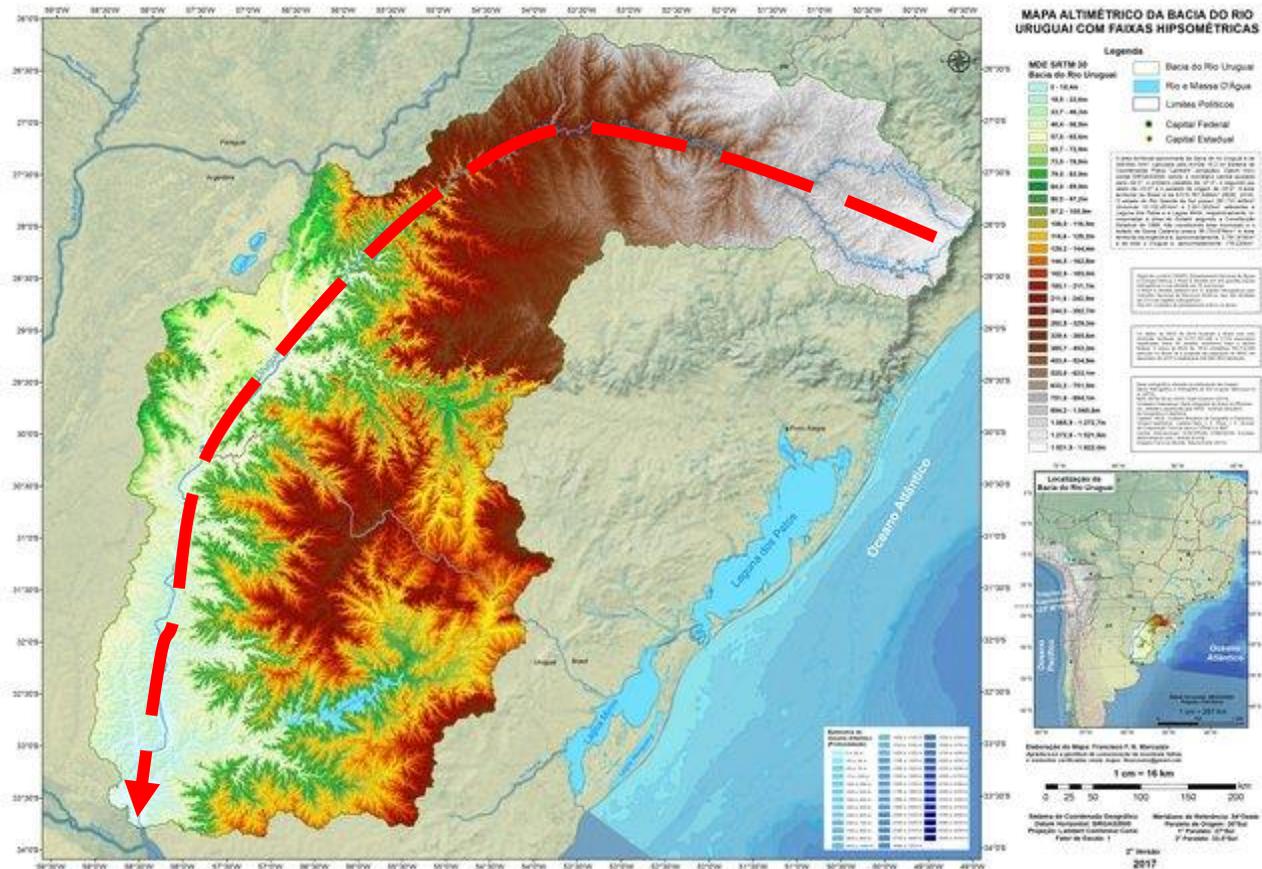




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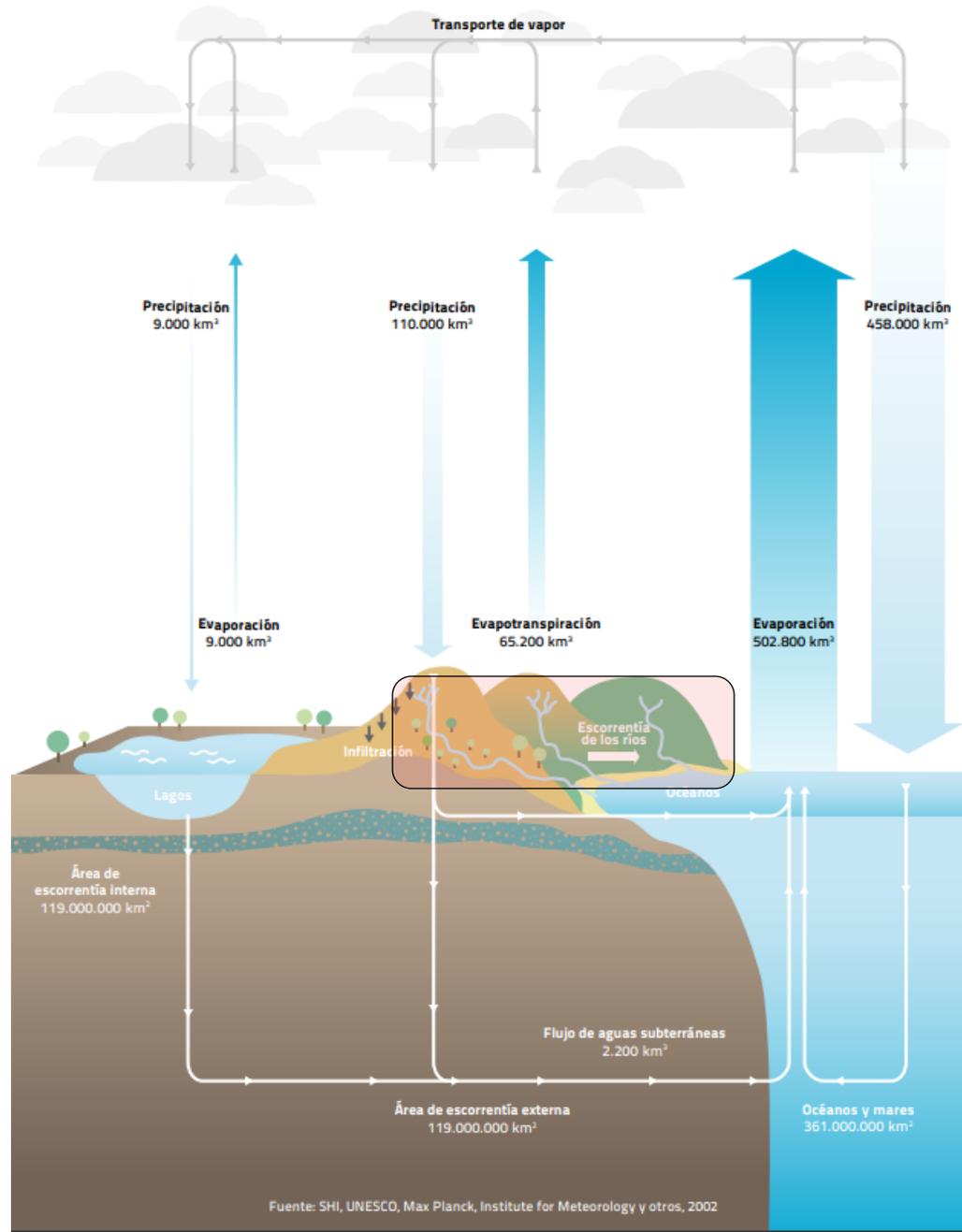
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Precipitación | Evaporación | Evapotranspiración | Escorrentía



Fuente: SHI, UNESCO, Max Planck, Institute for Meteorology y otros, 2002



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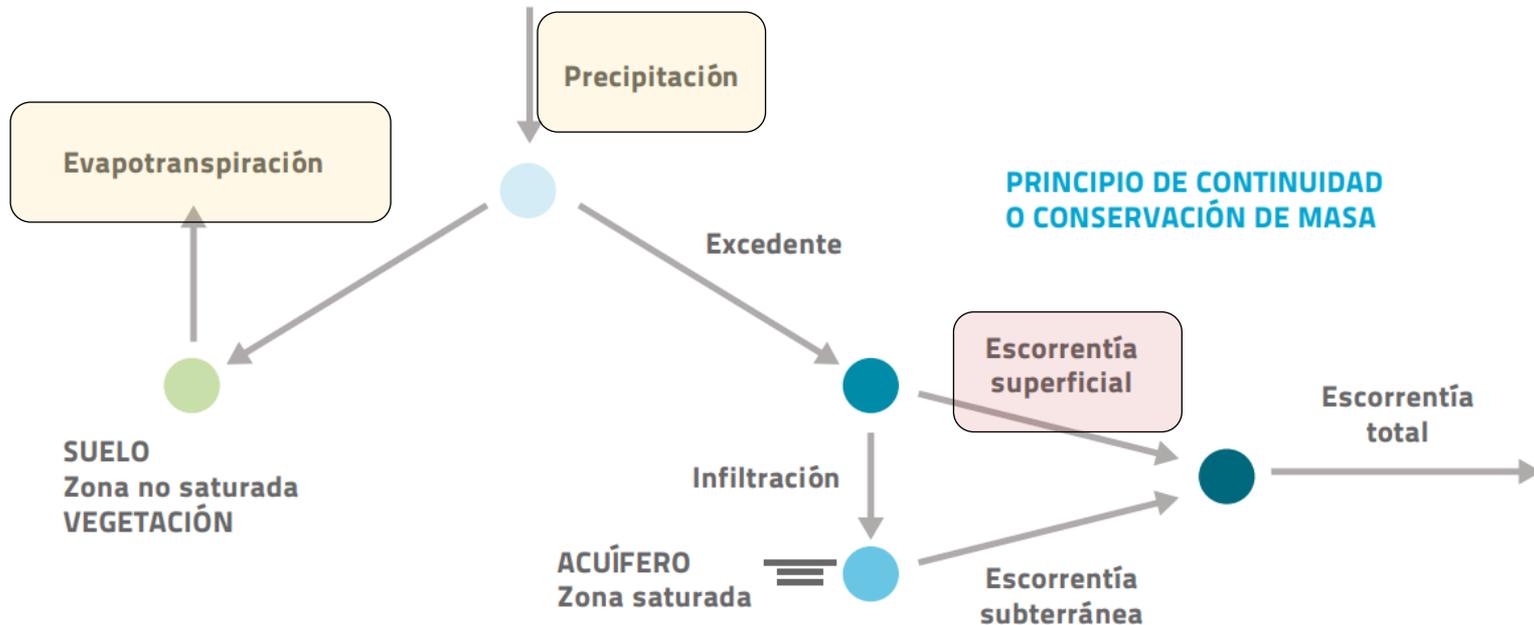
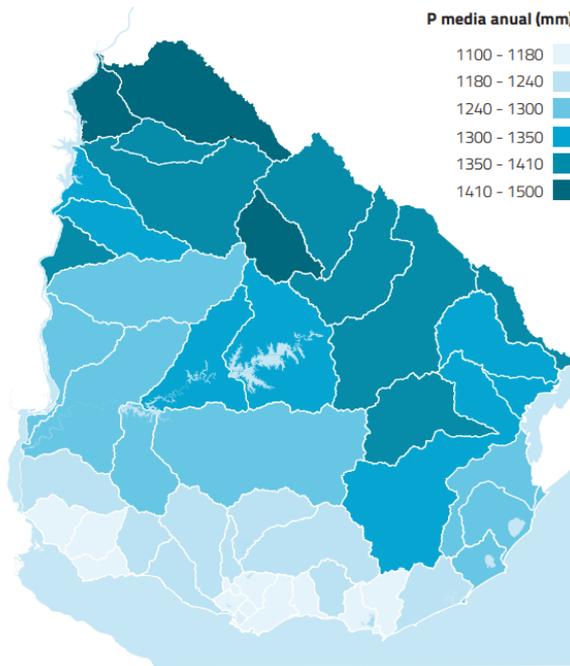
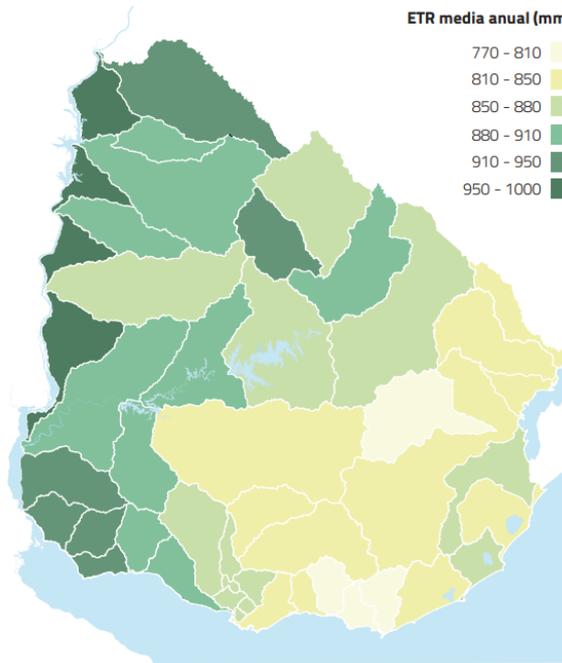


Figura 5.4 | Esquema del modelo de Témiz

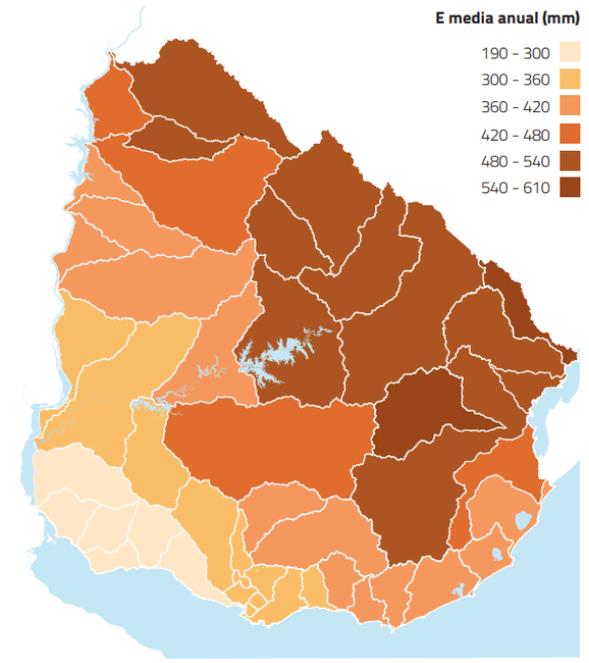
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PRECIPITACIÓN MEDIA ANUAL



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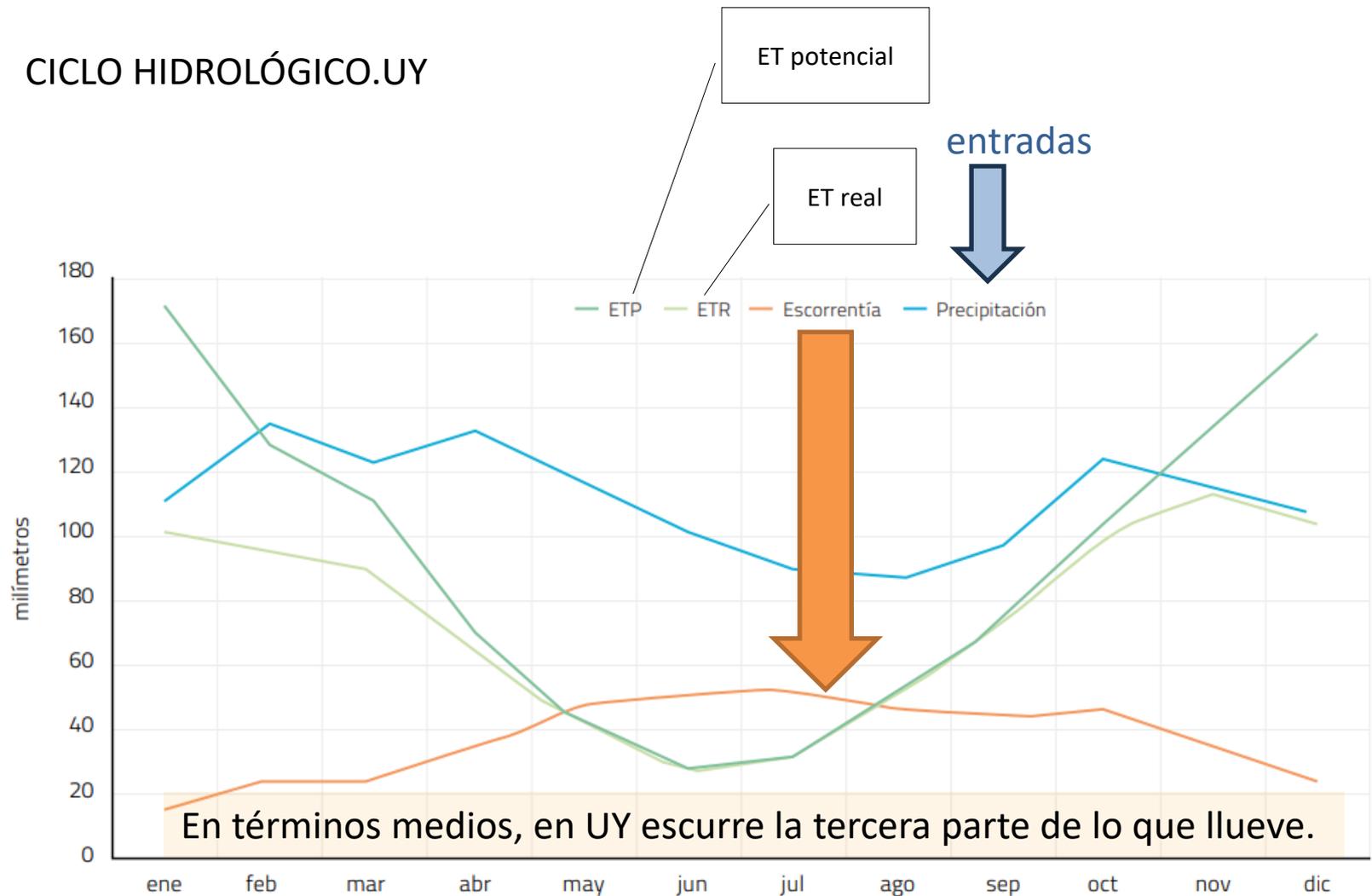


Figura 5.5 | Distribución mensual de Precipitación, ETP, ETR y Escorrentía (mm) | Fuente DINAGUA/INYPESA. Datos período 1987 a 2012



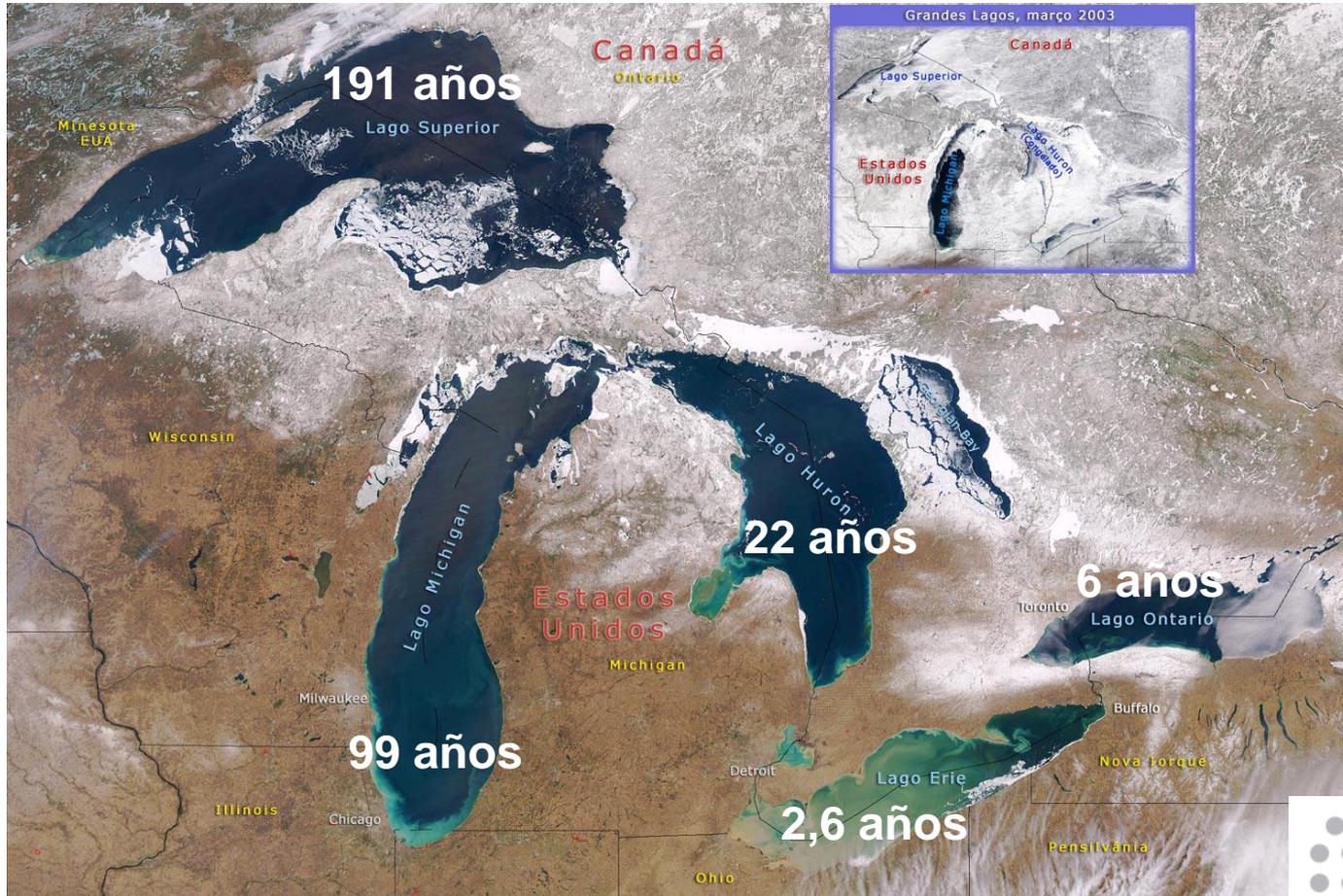
Tiempo de residencia

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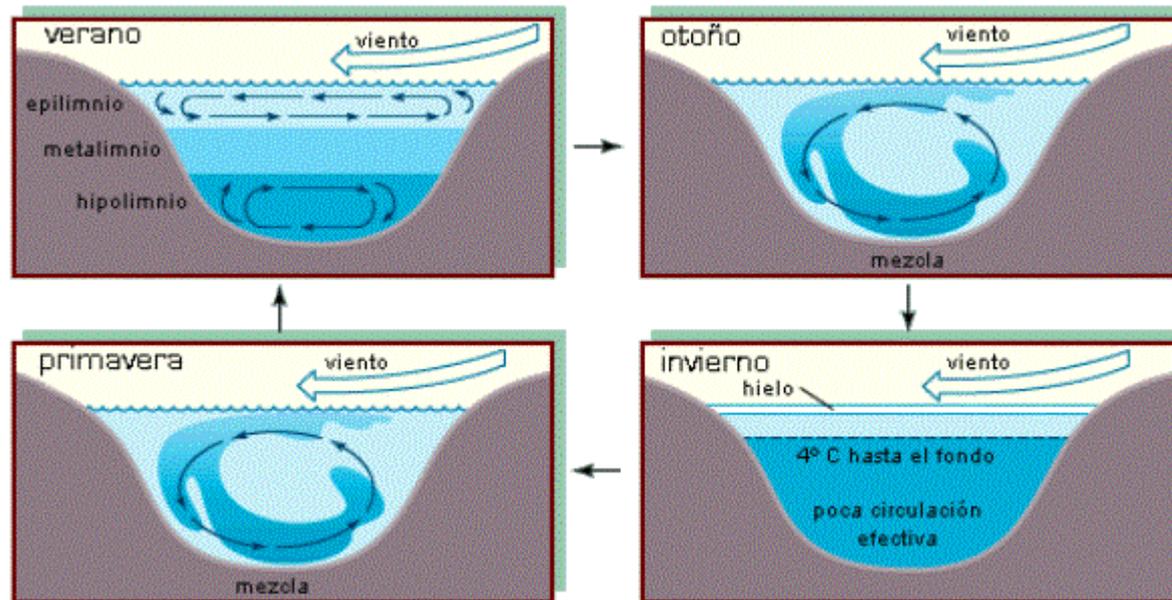




Mezcla Gradientes verticales

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Gradientes verticales



¿Temperatura?
¿Oxígeno?

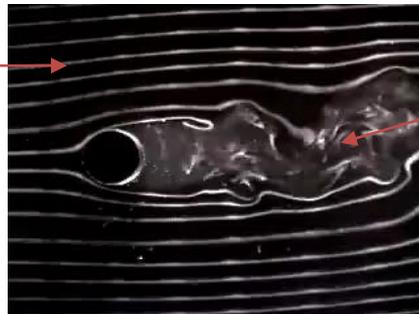
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Gradientes verticales



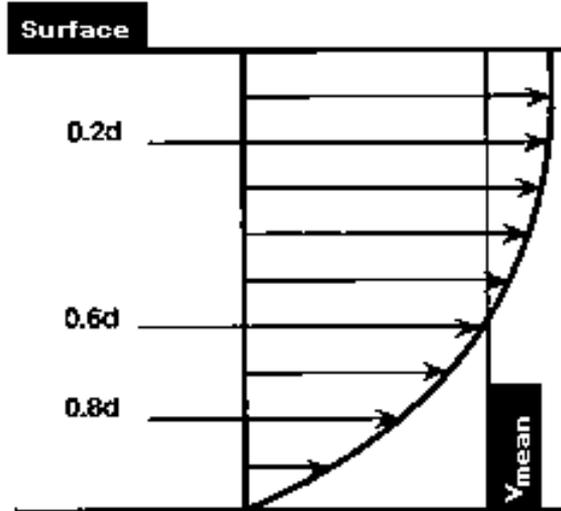
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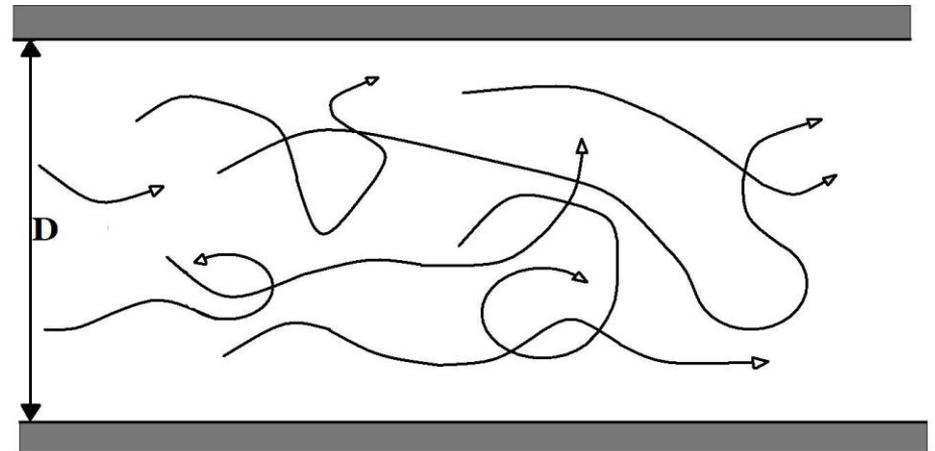
Flujo turbulento

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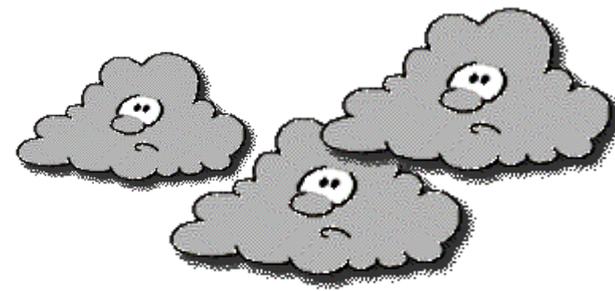
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Velocidad vs. Caudal

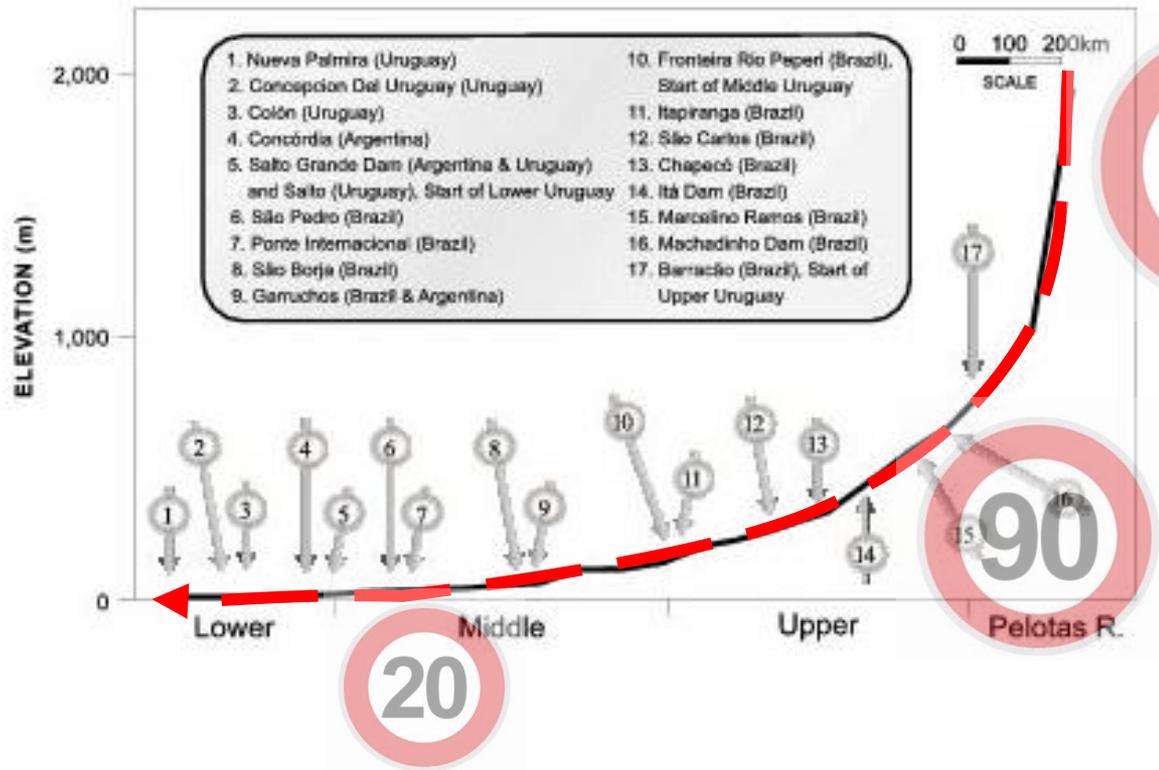


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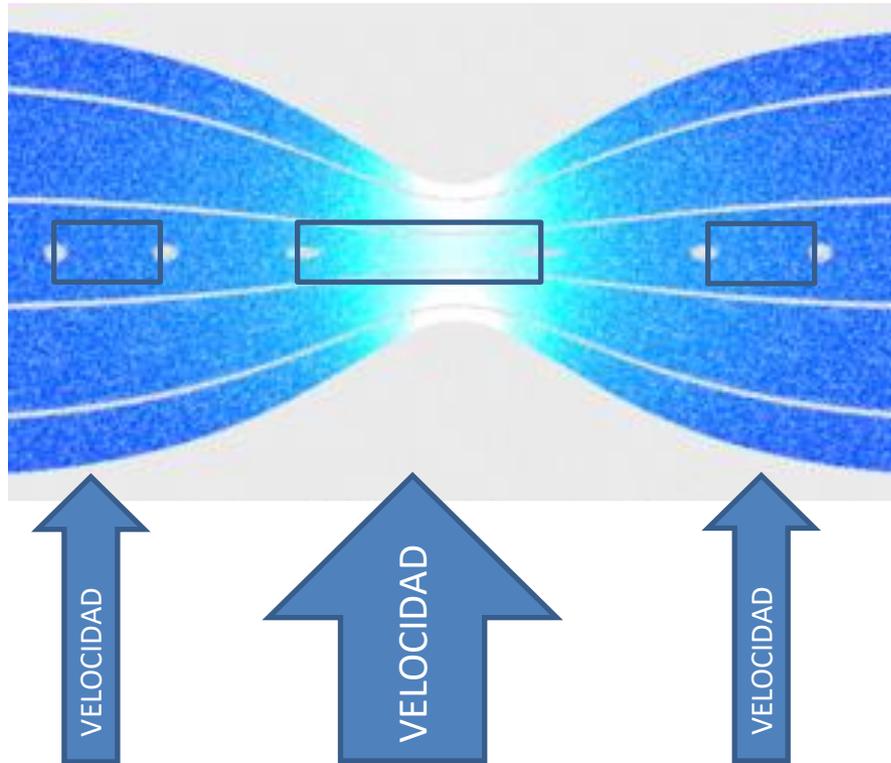
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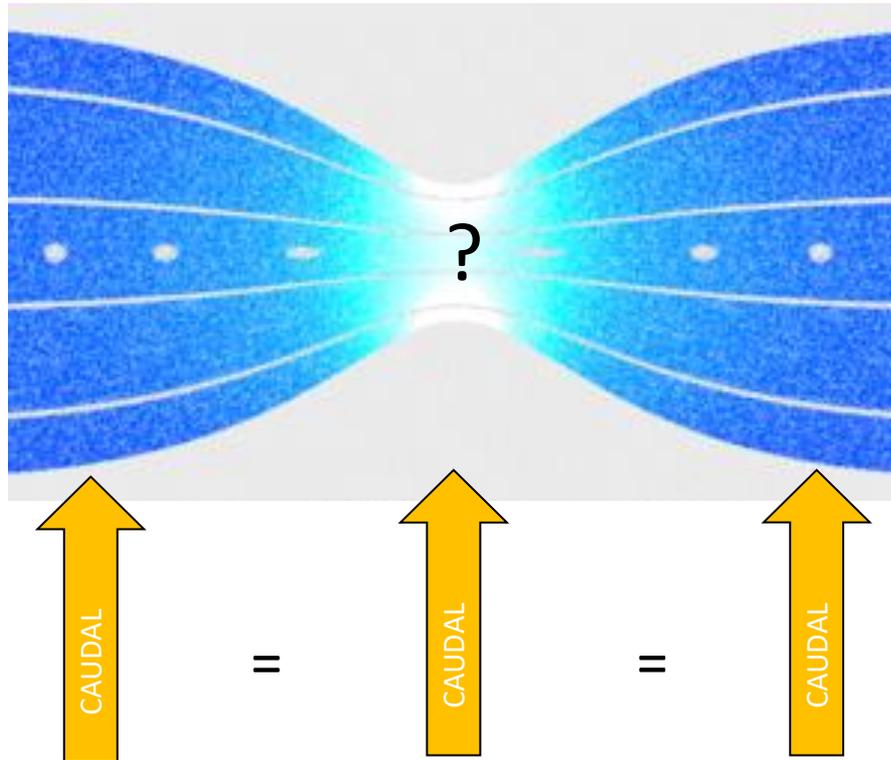
¿VELOCIDAD?

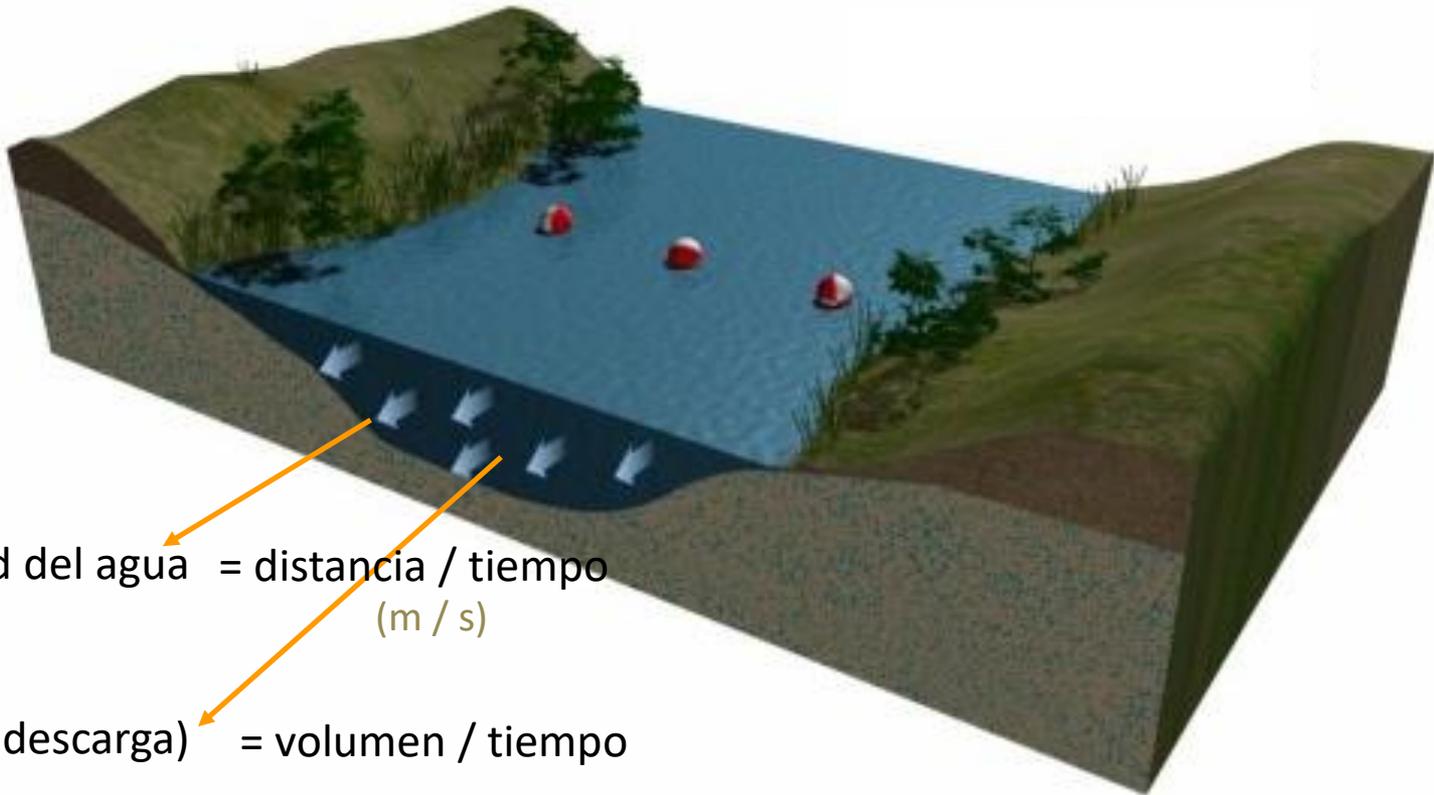
Velocidad = distancia/tiempo



¿Y EL CAUDAL?

CAUDAL = volumen / tiempo





Velocidad del agua = distancia / tiempo
(m / s)

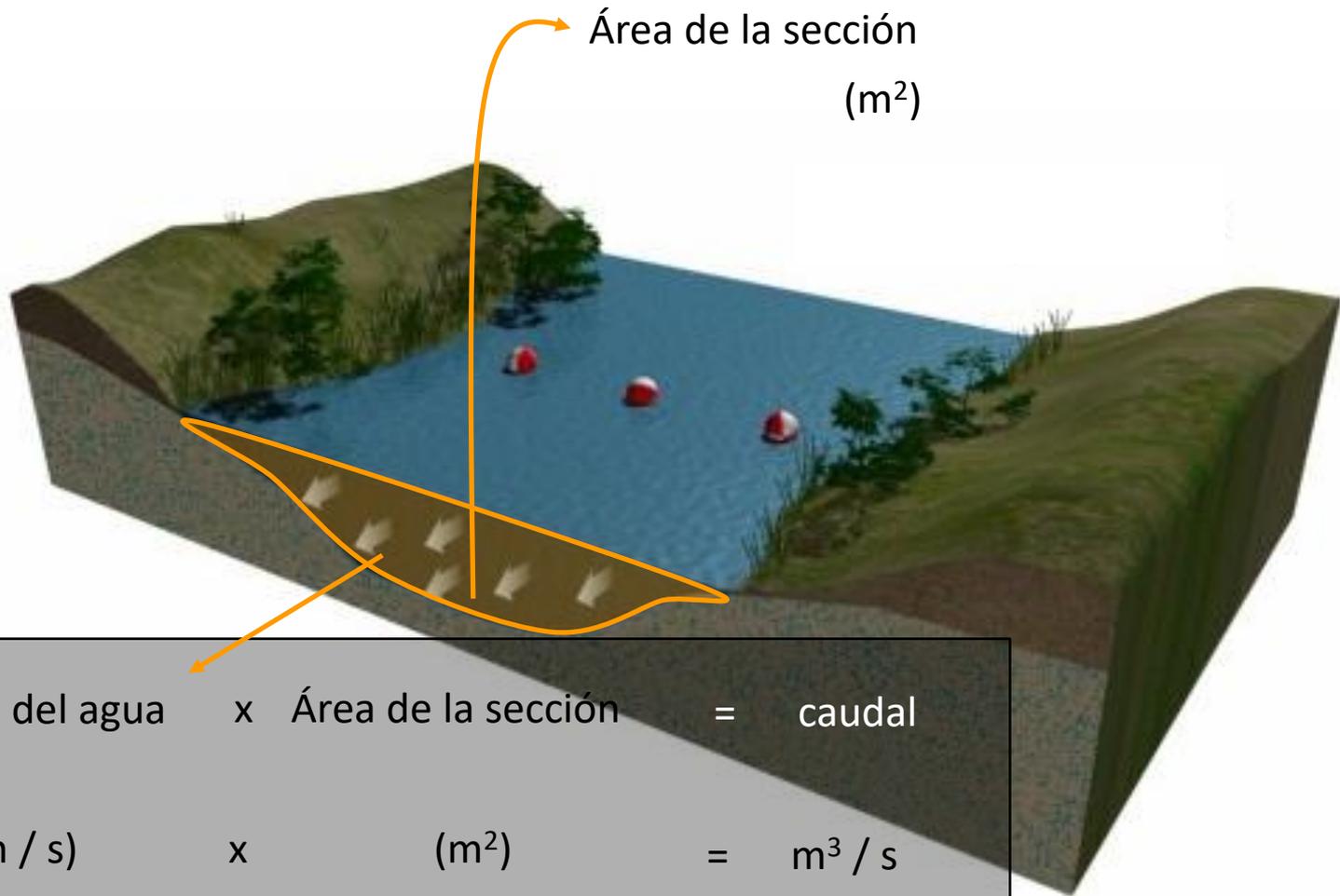
Caudal (o descarga) = volumen / tiempo

(litros / segundo)

(m³ / día)

(m³ / año)

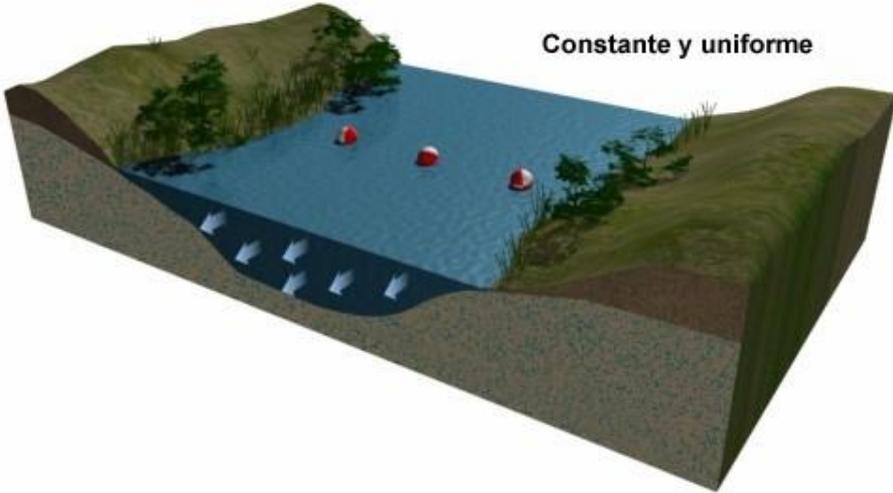
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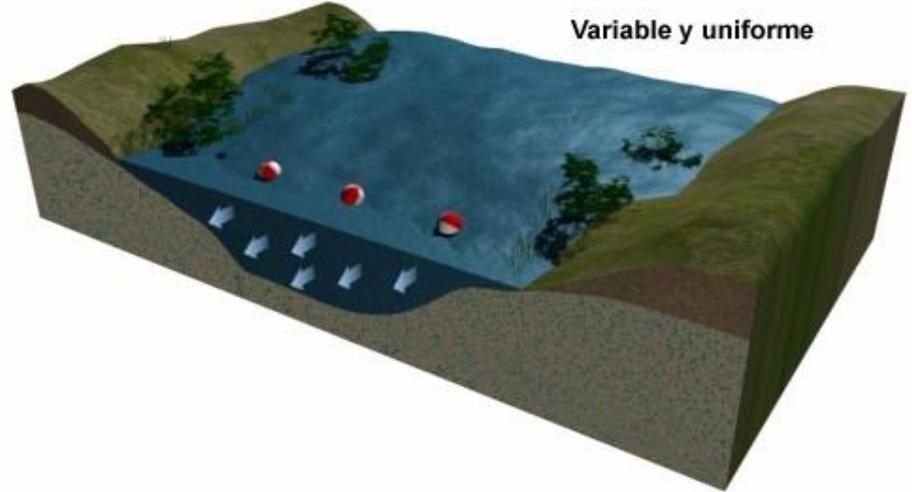
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Tipos de flujos

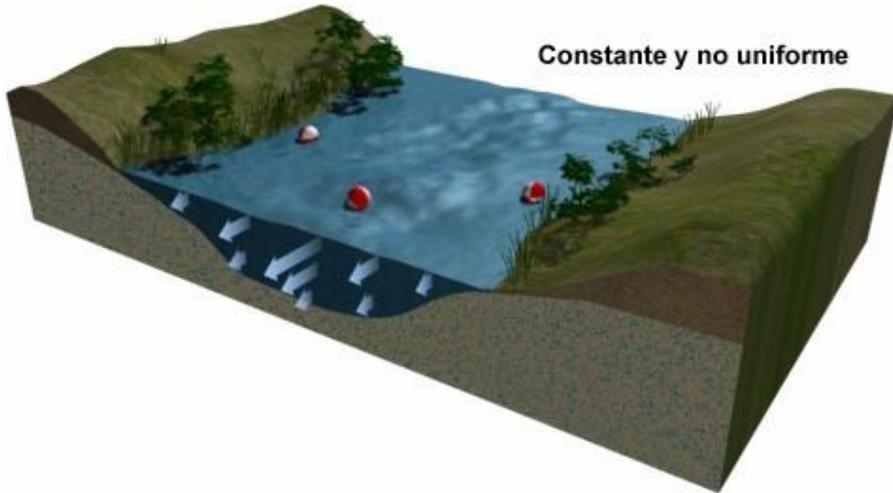
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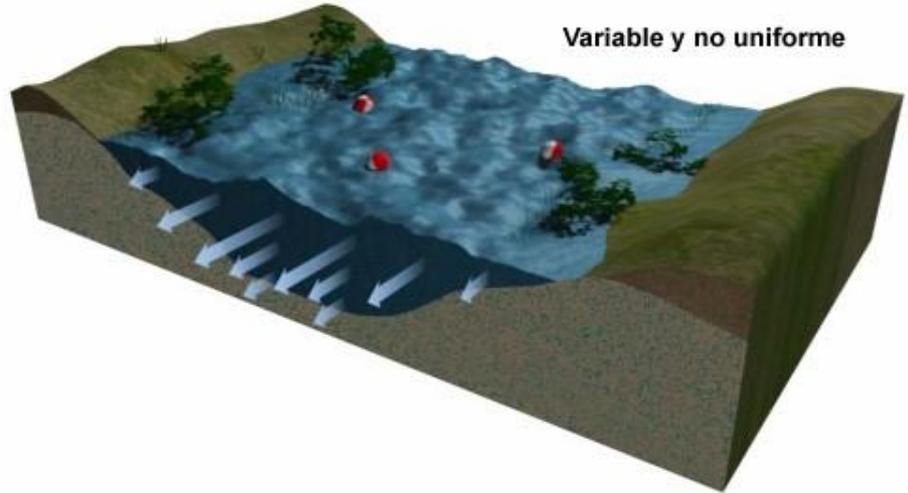
Variable y uniforme



Constante y no uniforme



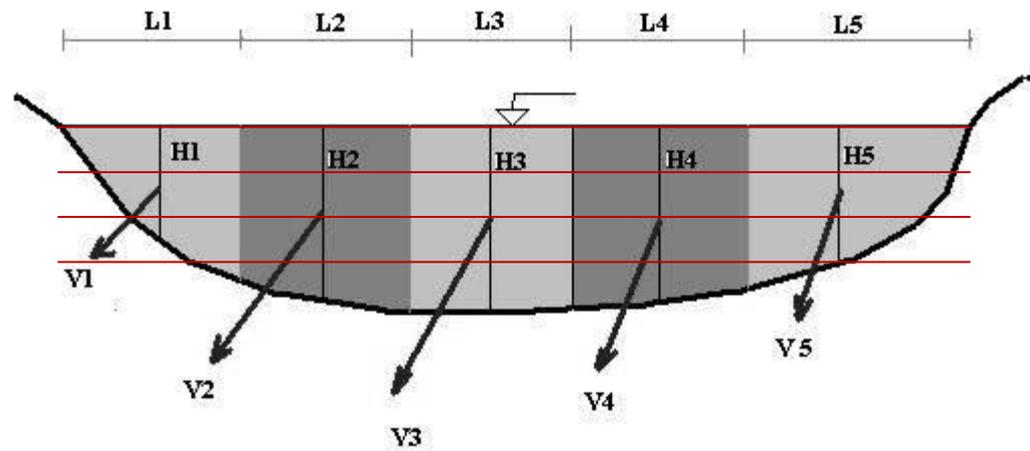
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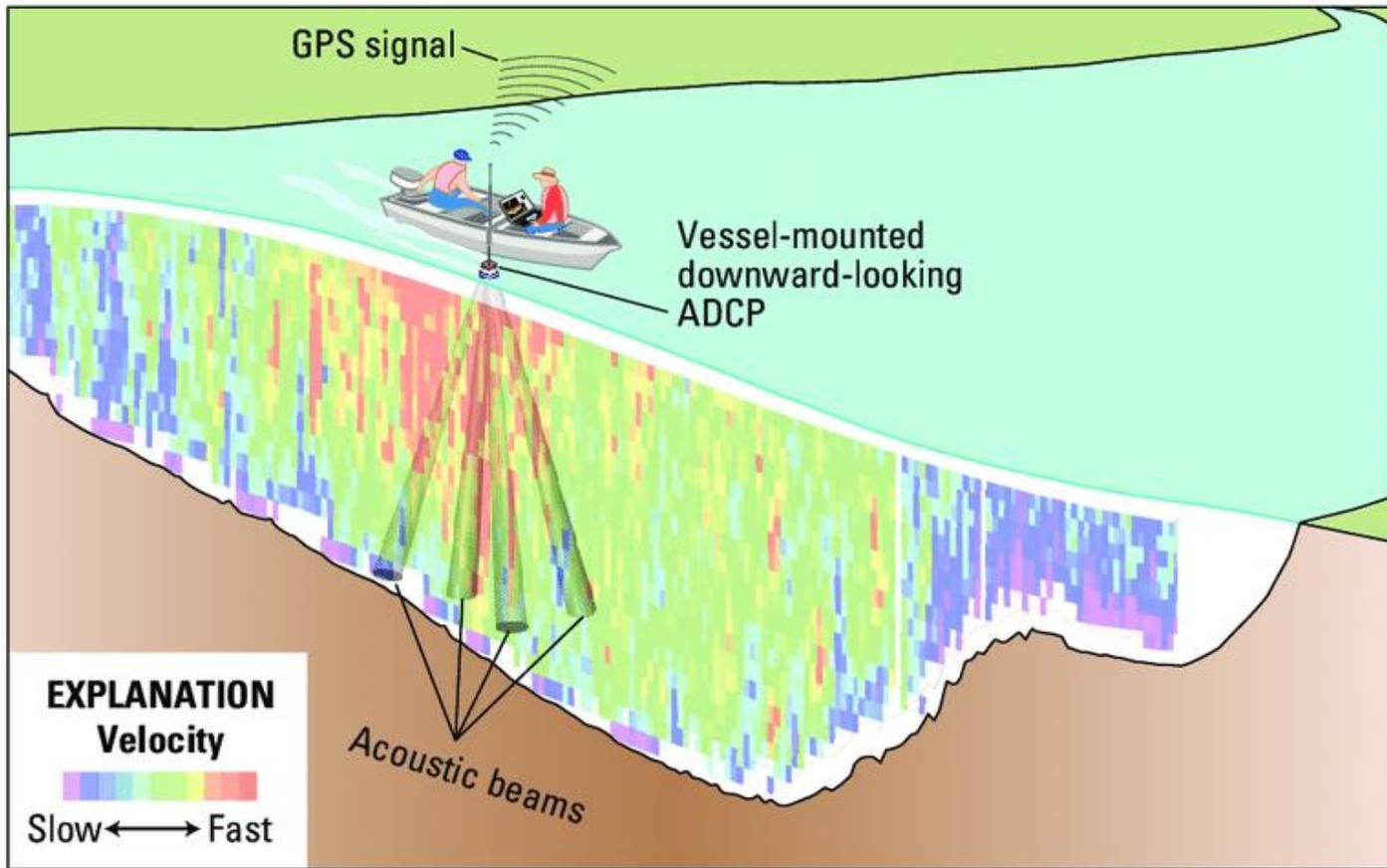
¿Cómo calculamos el caudal?

Precisamos conocer la velocidad media.



Suele dividirse el área y calcular la velocidad para cada subsección.

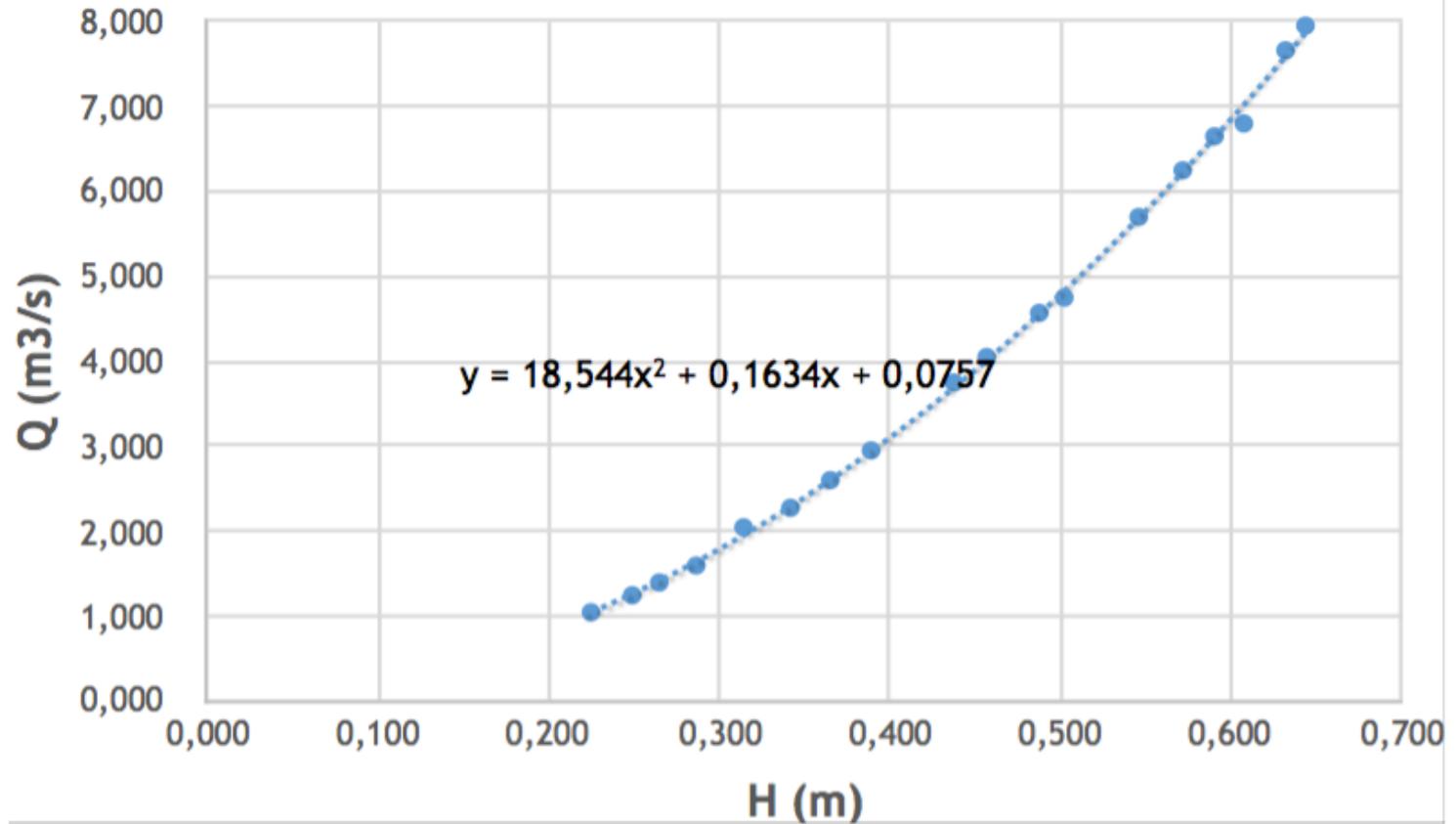
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Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler (ADCP)

AFORO

Curva de gasto (relación altura - caudal)

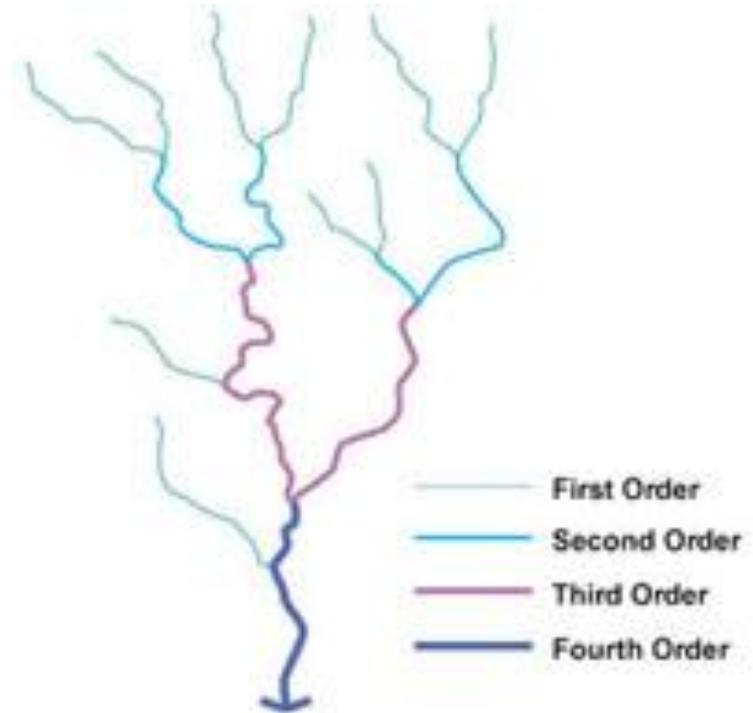
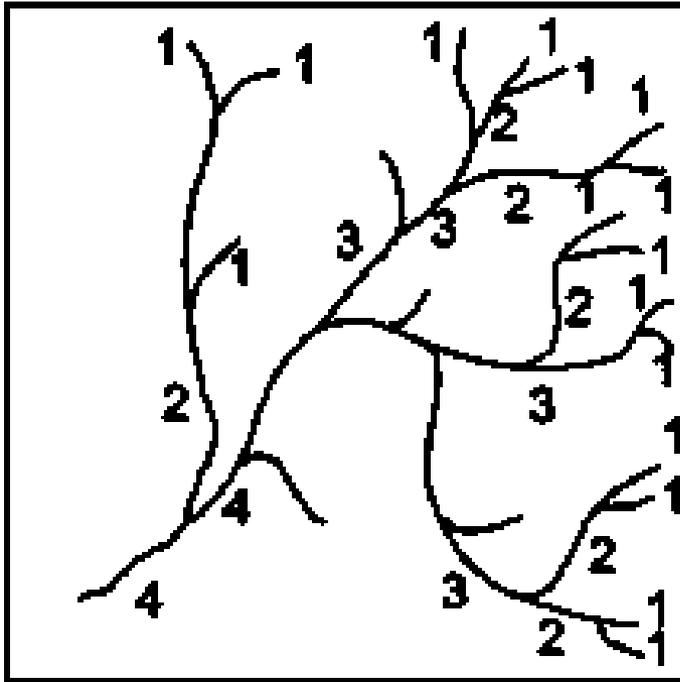






Heterogeneidad espacial

Orden de Strahler



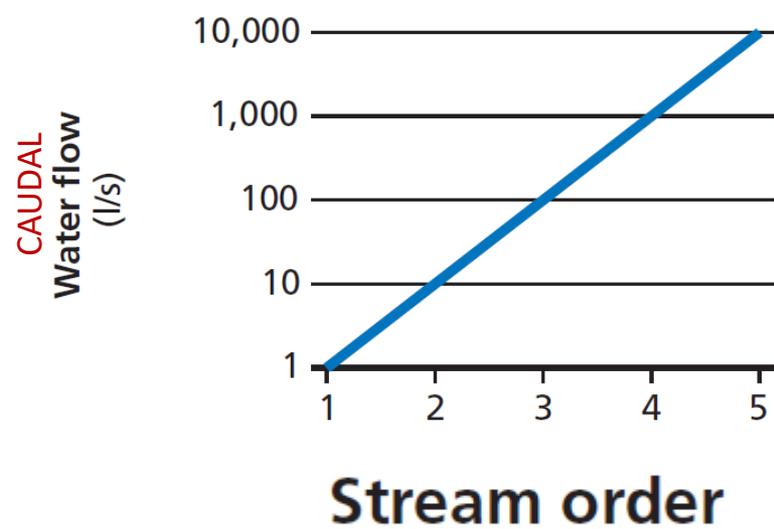
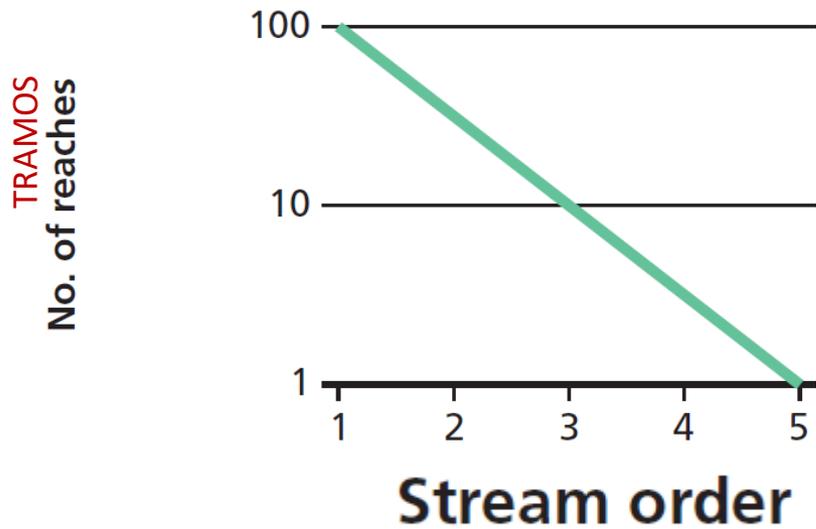
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Vínculo con el entorno / Conectividad



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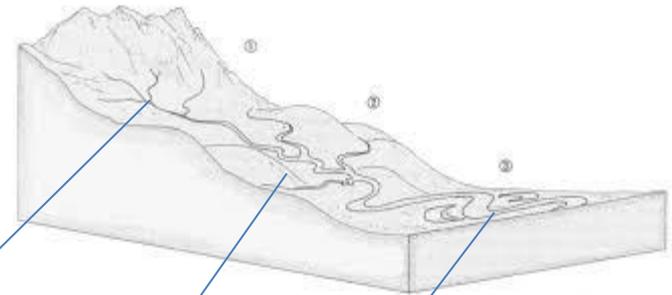


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Heterogeneidad espacial

ZONACIÓN LONGITUDINAL (fish zones)

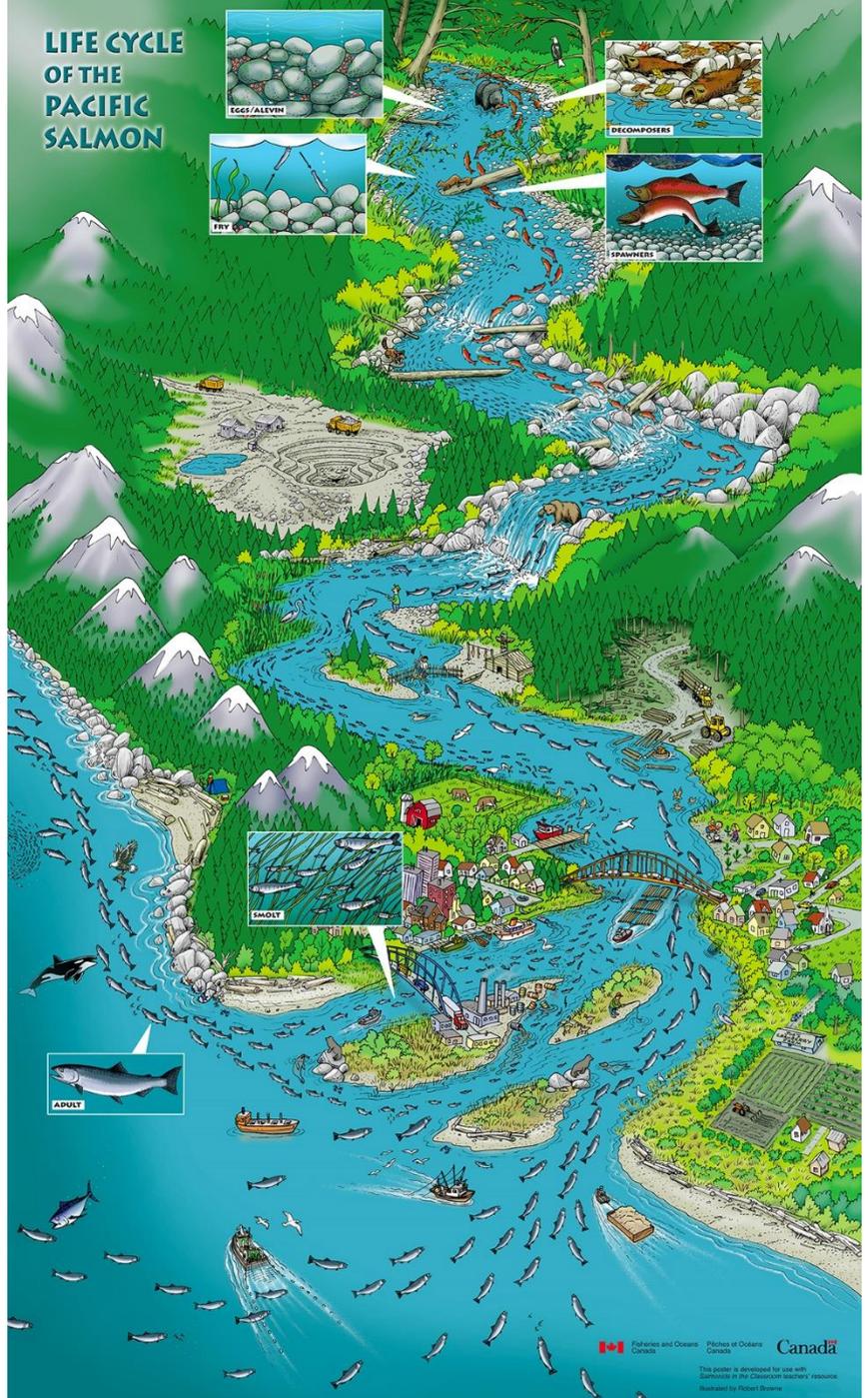


- **Crenon** - cabecera (headwater)
- **Rhithron** - región montañosa (altas pendientes)
- **Potamon** - tierras bajas (lowland river region)

Illies (1961)



LIFE CYCLE OF THE PACIFIC SALMON



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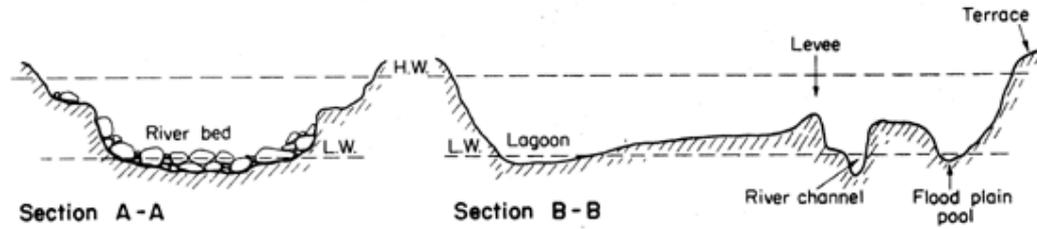
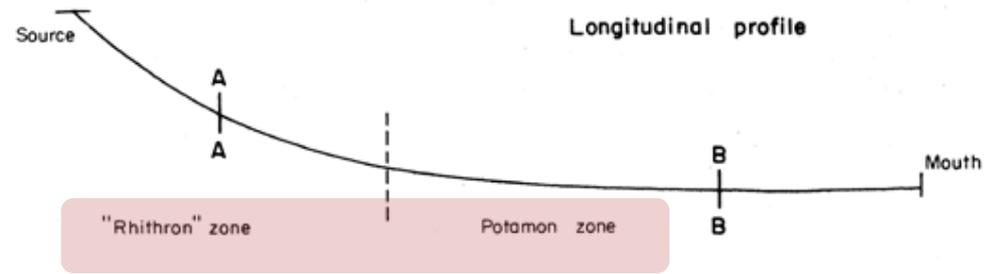


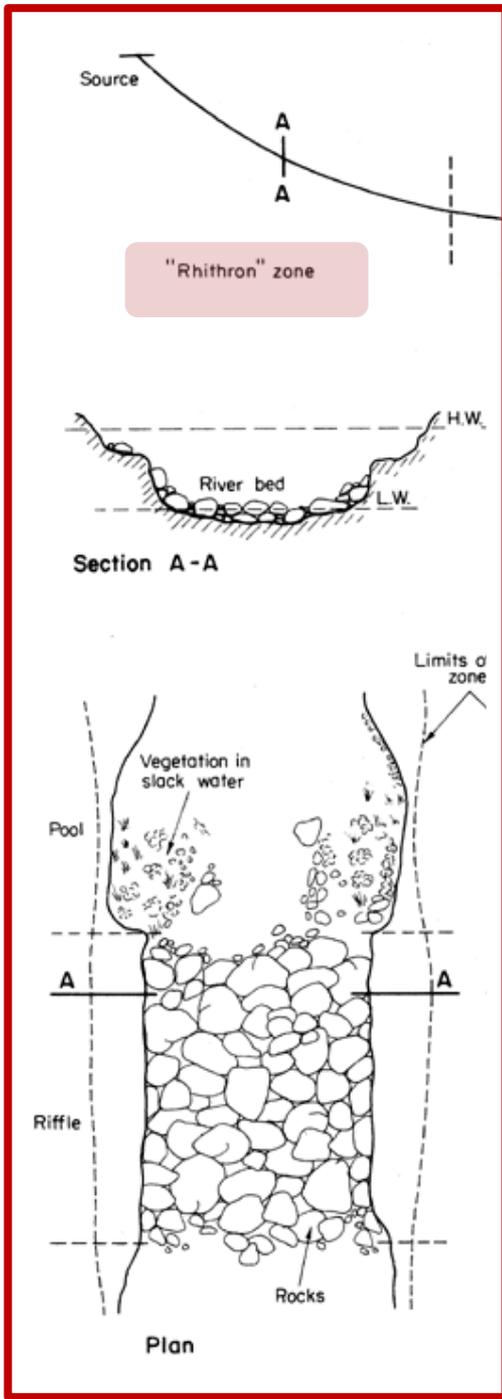
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Lowland rivers & streams





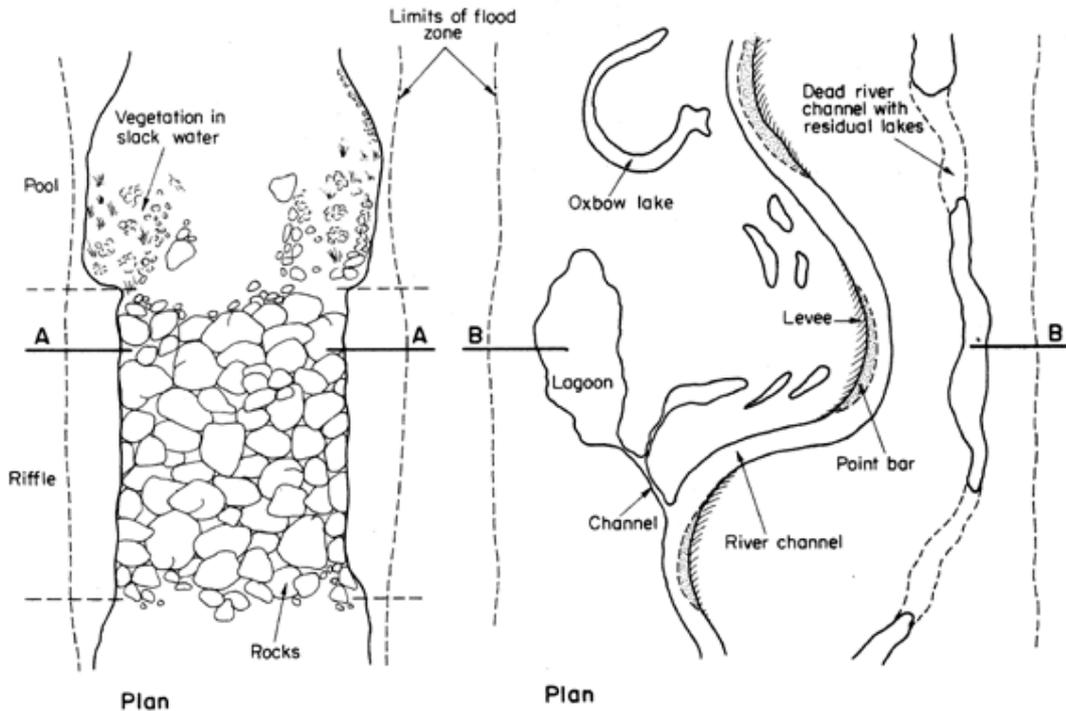
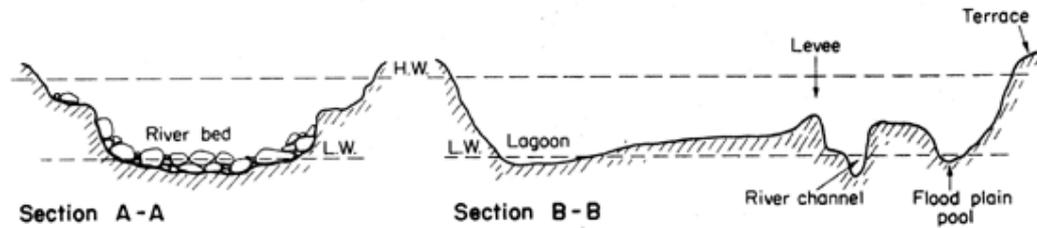
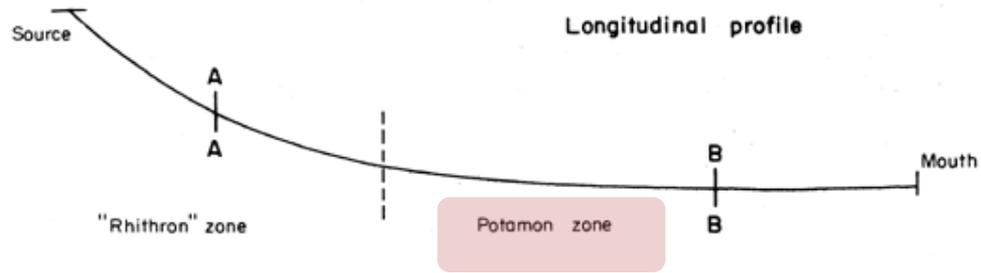
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Alternancia entre rápidos y pozones



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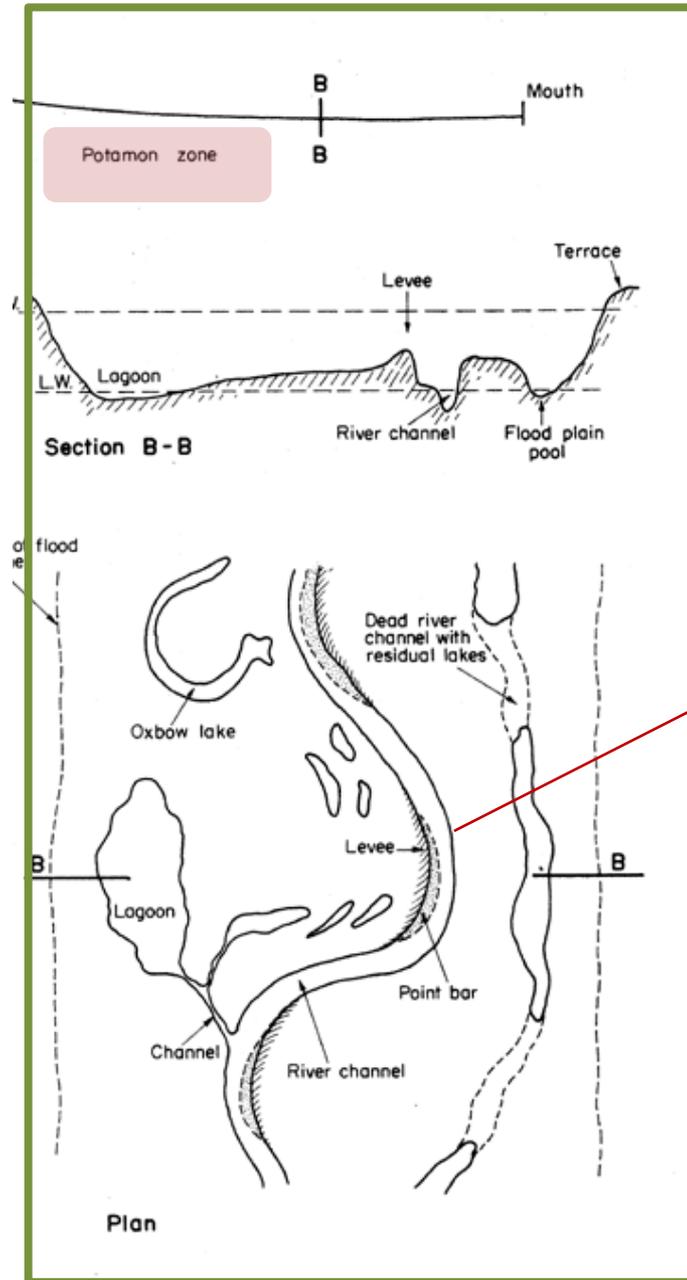


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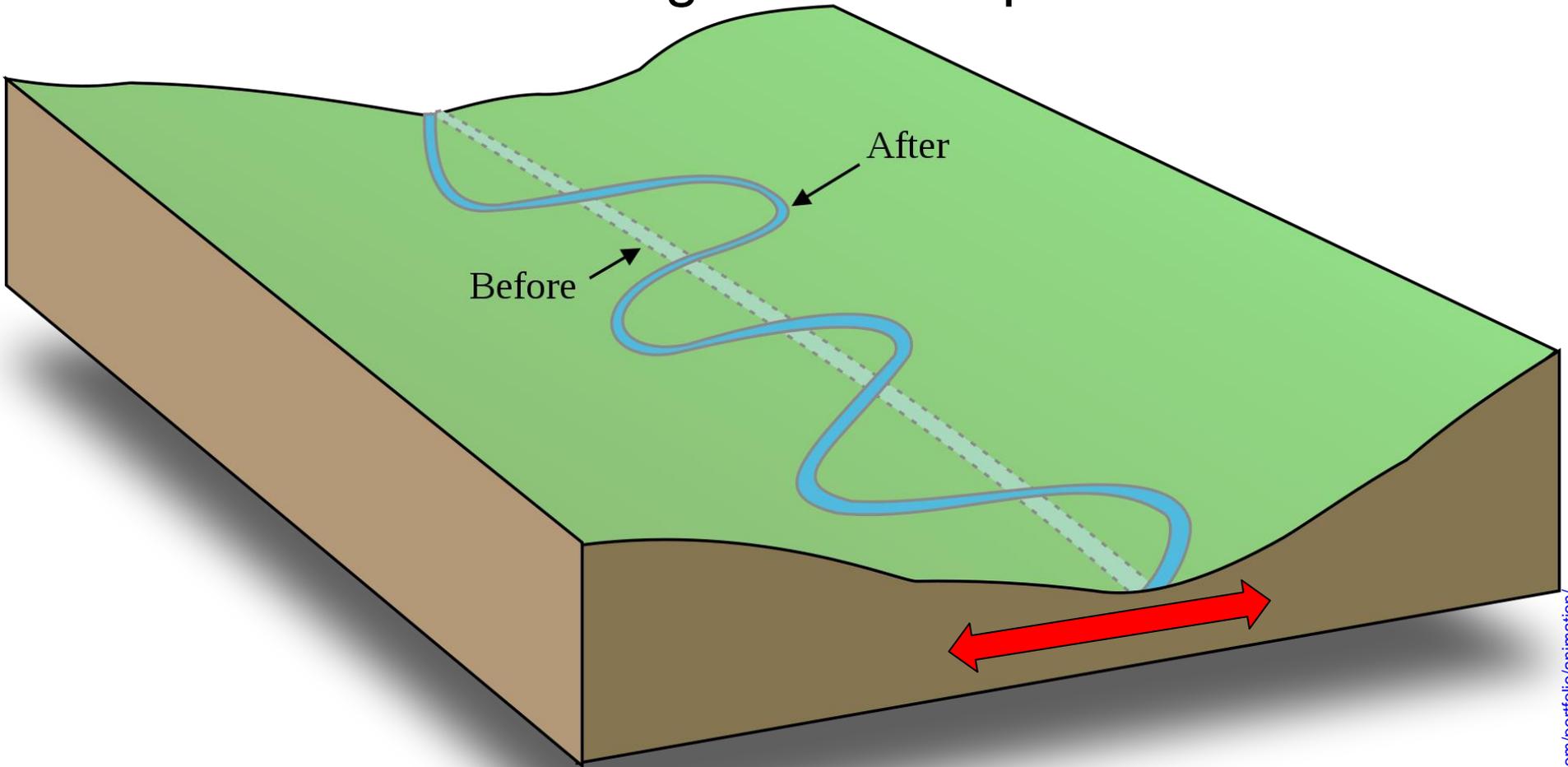
Longitudinal profile



meandros



Heterogeneidad espacial



Formación de MEANDROS:

- más probable en llanuras aluviales
- se alarga el curso y disminuye la pendiente





This animated image shows changes to Peru's Ucayali River from 1985 to 2013.
(NASA/USGS Landsat; GIF created by Zoltan Sylvester)



Río Santa Lucía

Heterogeneidad espacial

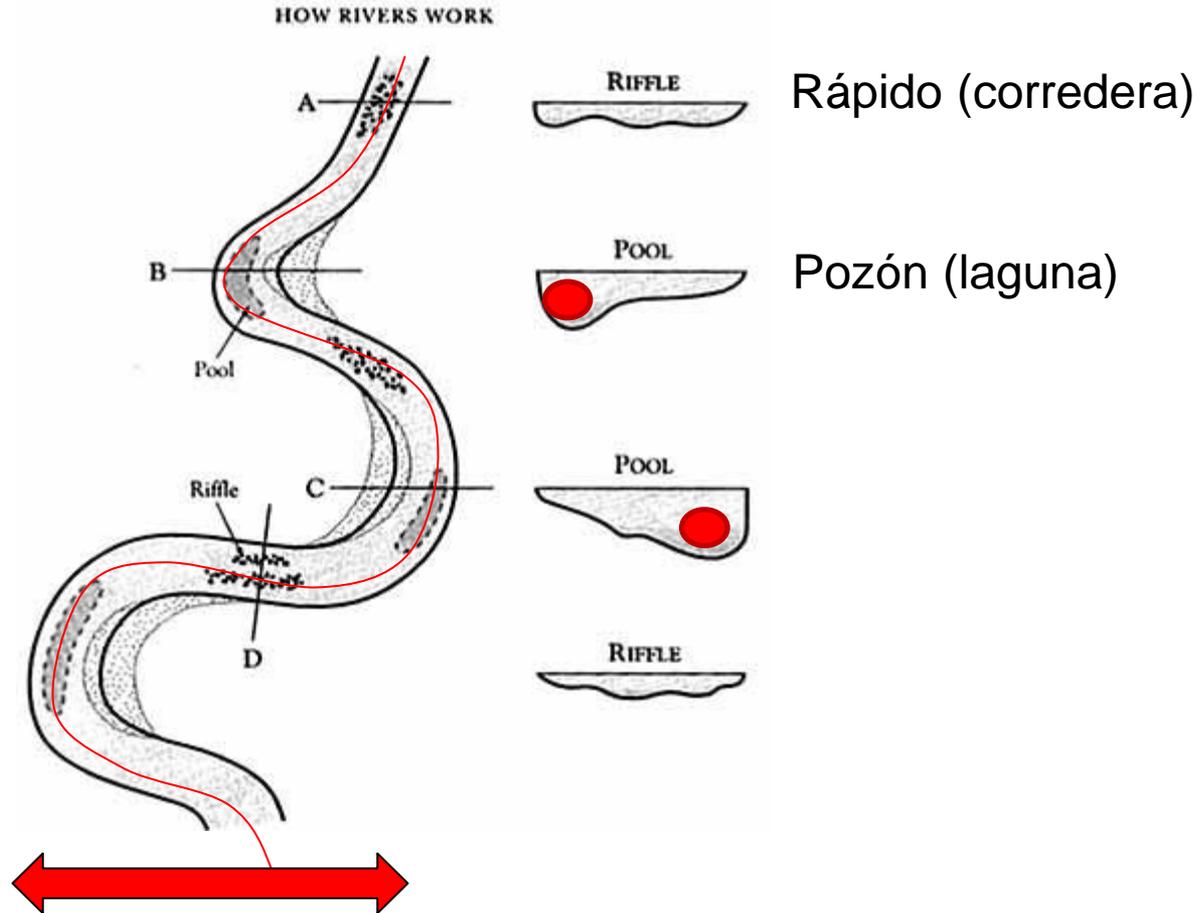


Lago de herradura
(oxbow lake)

Arroyo Valizas (Rocha)

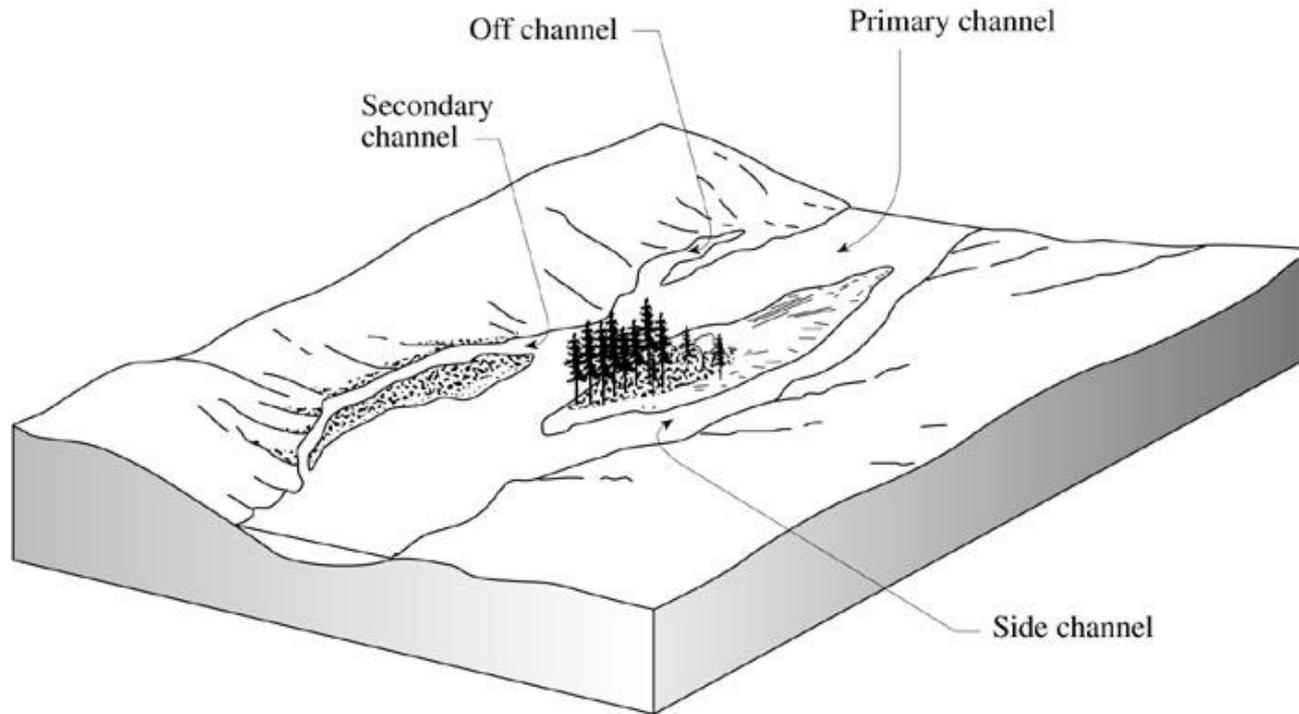
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THALWEG



Principales compartimentos de los sistemas lóticos

Heterogeneidad espacial





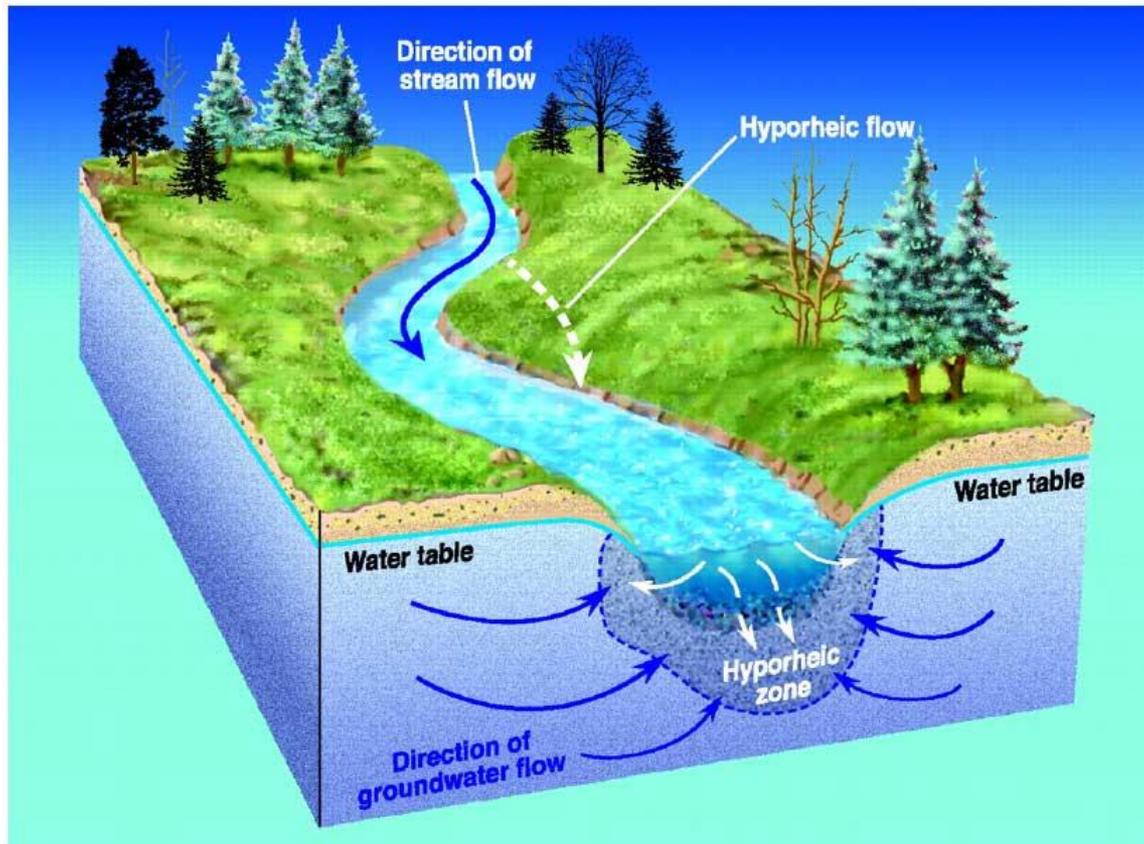




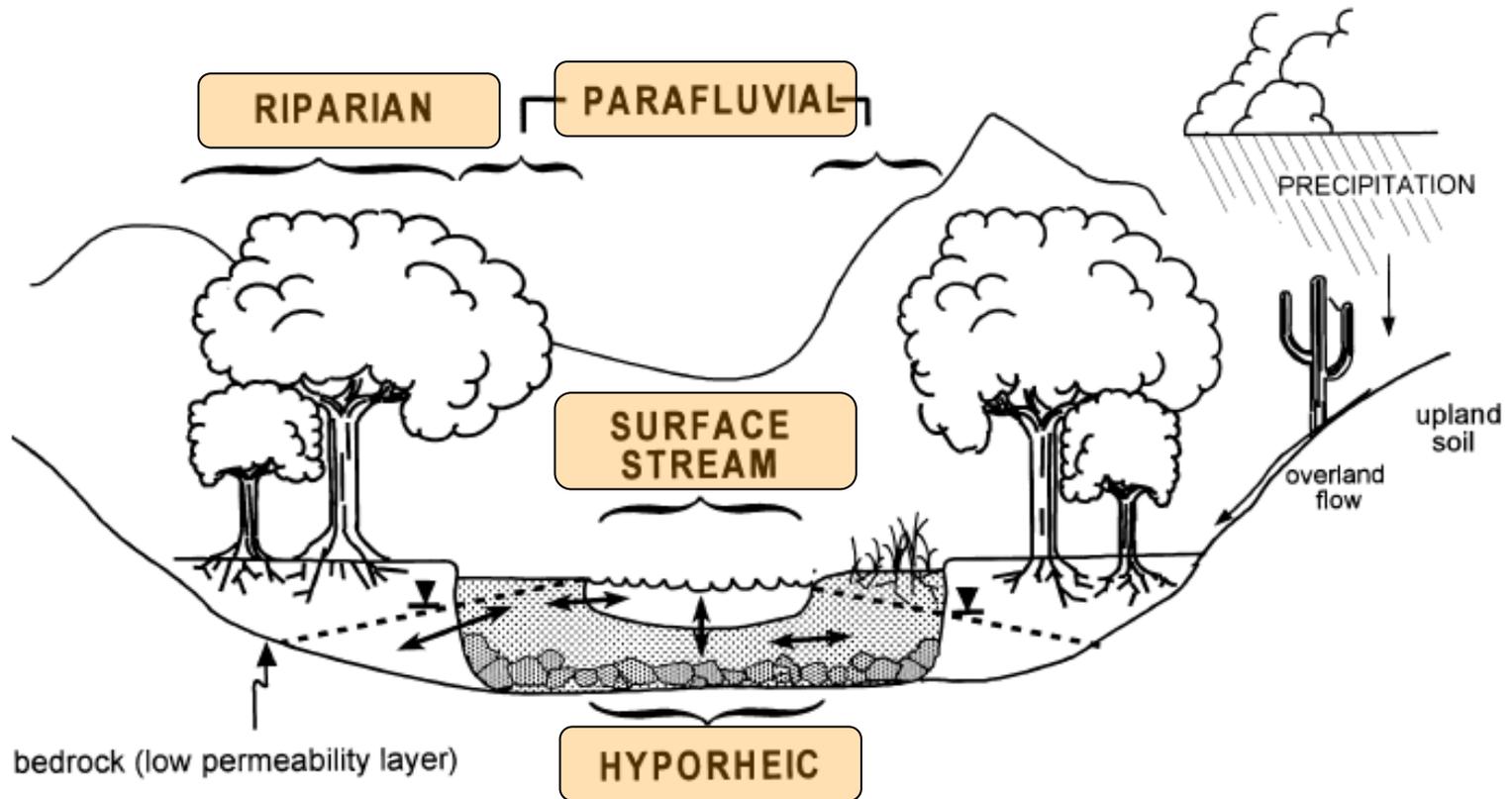
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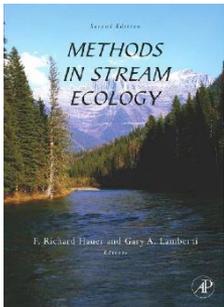
Vínculos verticales y laterales...



Los subsistemas incluyen la corriente de la superficie central, **los sedimentos saturados en forma vertical y lateral (zonas hiporreicas y parafluviales)** y el elemento más distal, la zona ribereña. Estas zonas están hidrológicamente conectadas; así el agua y su carga disuelta y suspendida se mueven a través de todos estos subsistemas a medida que fluye río abajo.
(Fisher et al. 1998)

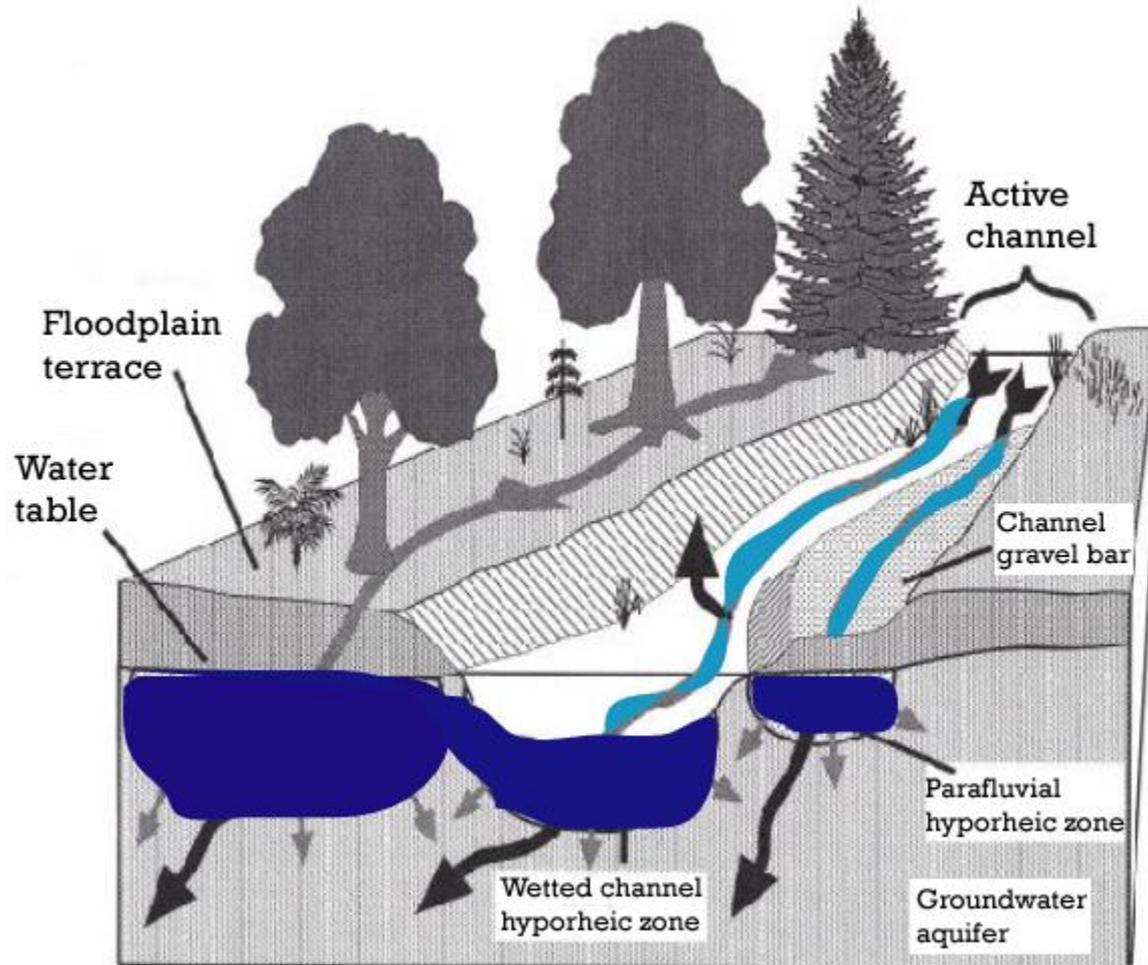
Ojo con la variación entre definiciones

- La zona hiporreica se define por la penetración del agua del río en el aluvión* y puede mezclarse con el agua subterránea freática desde la ladera de las colinas u otros acuíferos no recargados directamente por el río.
- La zona parafluvial es la zona que es alcanzada (anualmente) por las inundaciones.



* Sedimentos arrastrados por una corriente de agua, que quedan depositados en un terreno.

Heterogeneidad espacial

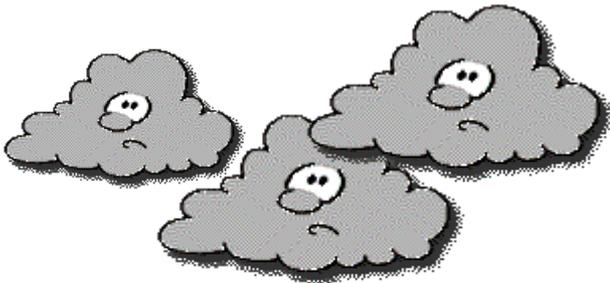


Zona parafluvial
(sedimentos saturados adyacentes al canal)



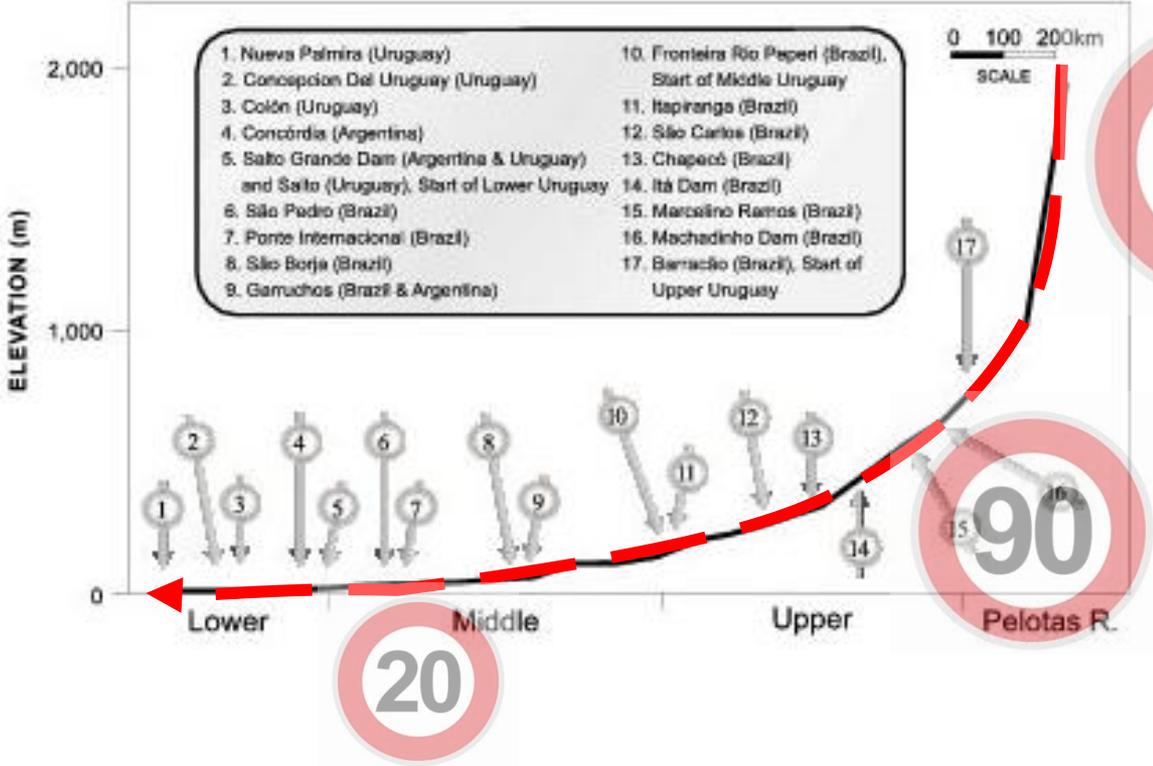
Pendiente, velocidad
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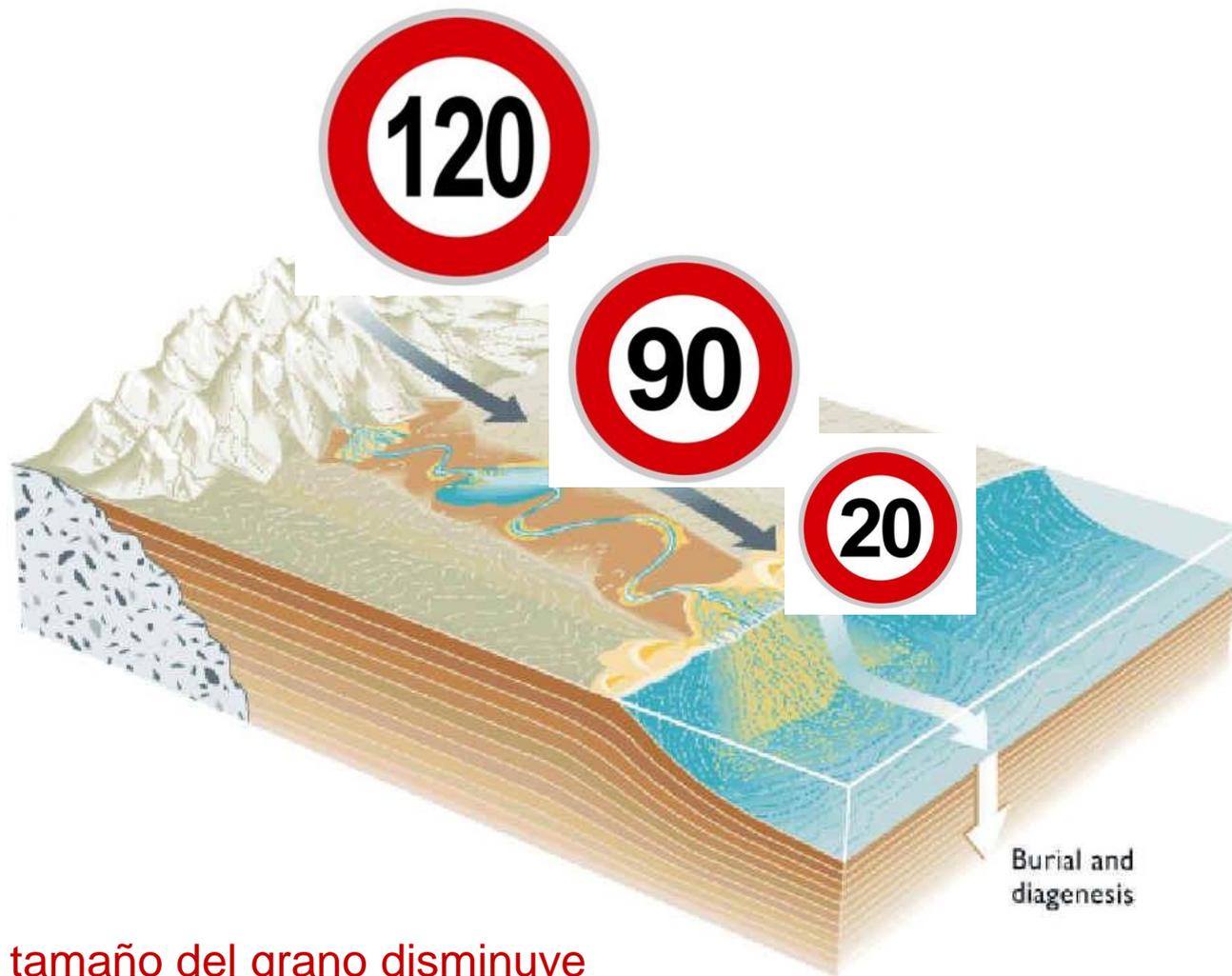




Cabecera arroyo Maldonado



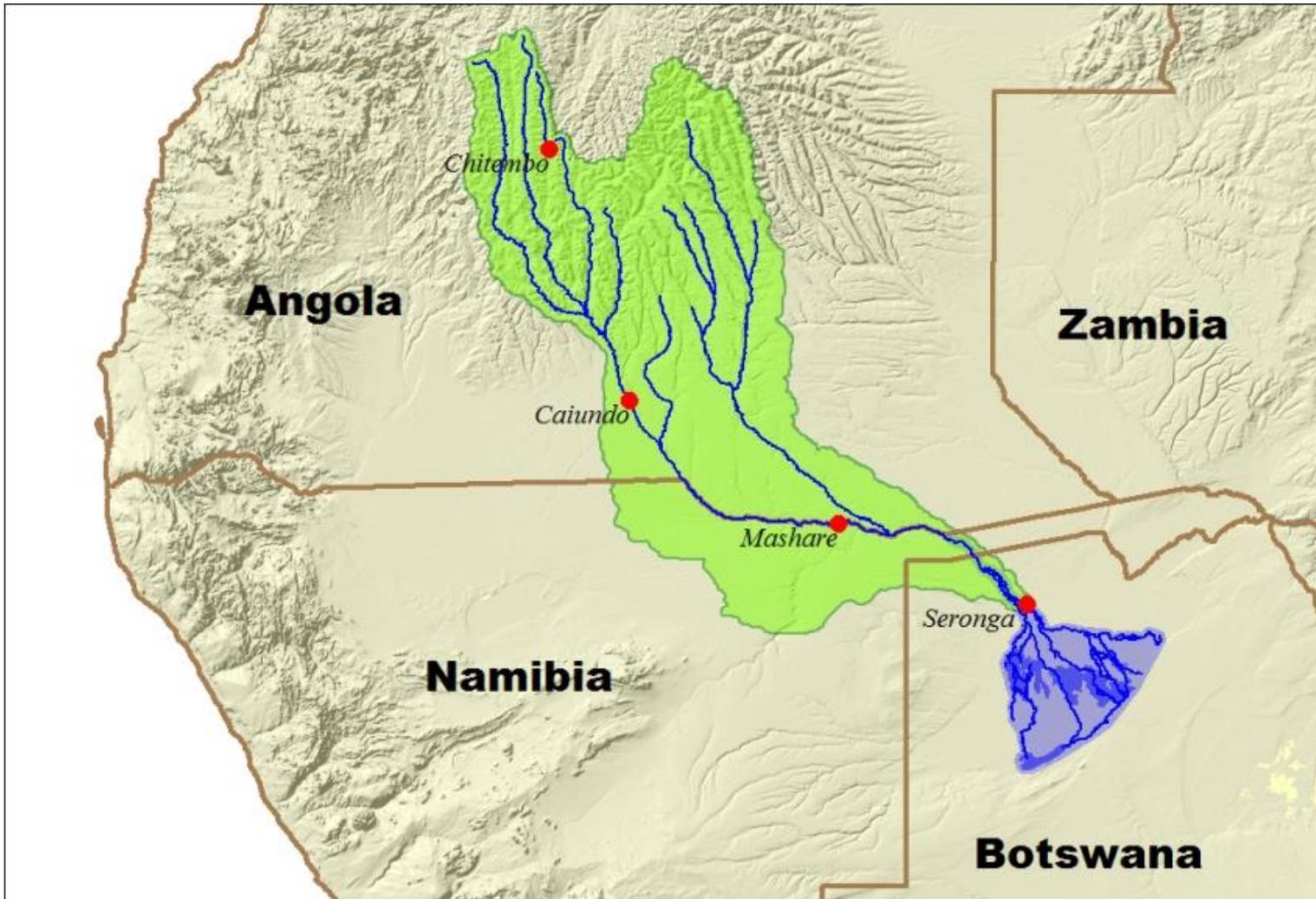
Desembocadura arroyo Maldonado



el tamaño del grano disminuye longitudinalmente



deltas





Data SIO, NOAA, U.S. Navy, NGA, GEBCO
Image Landsat

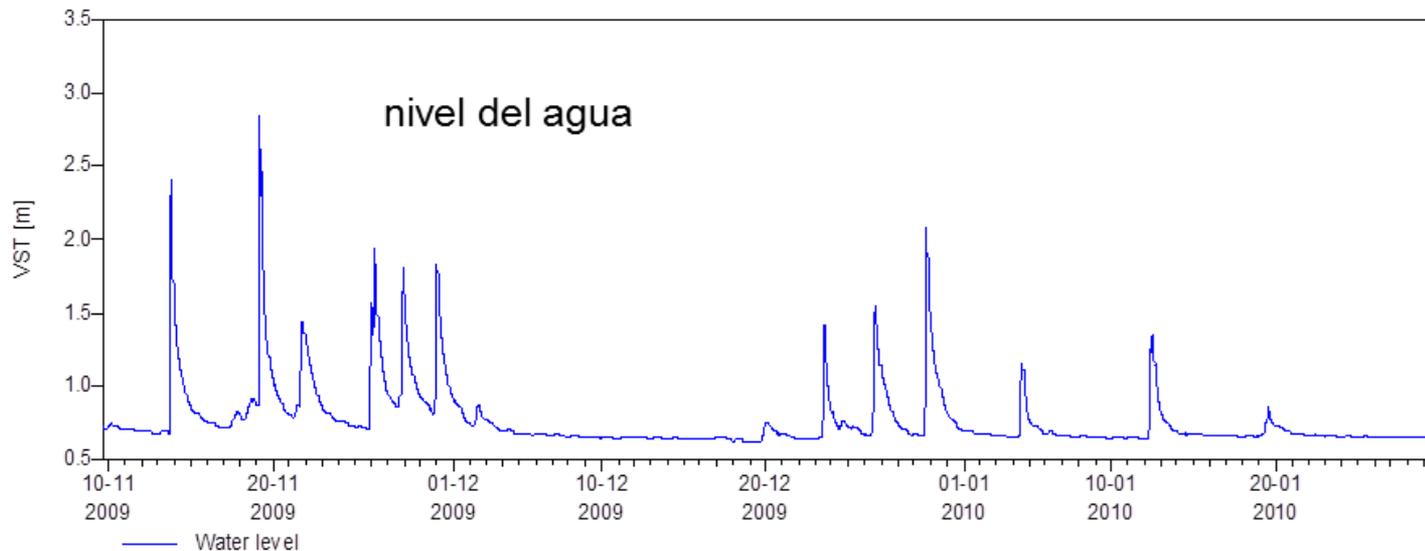
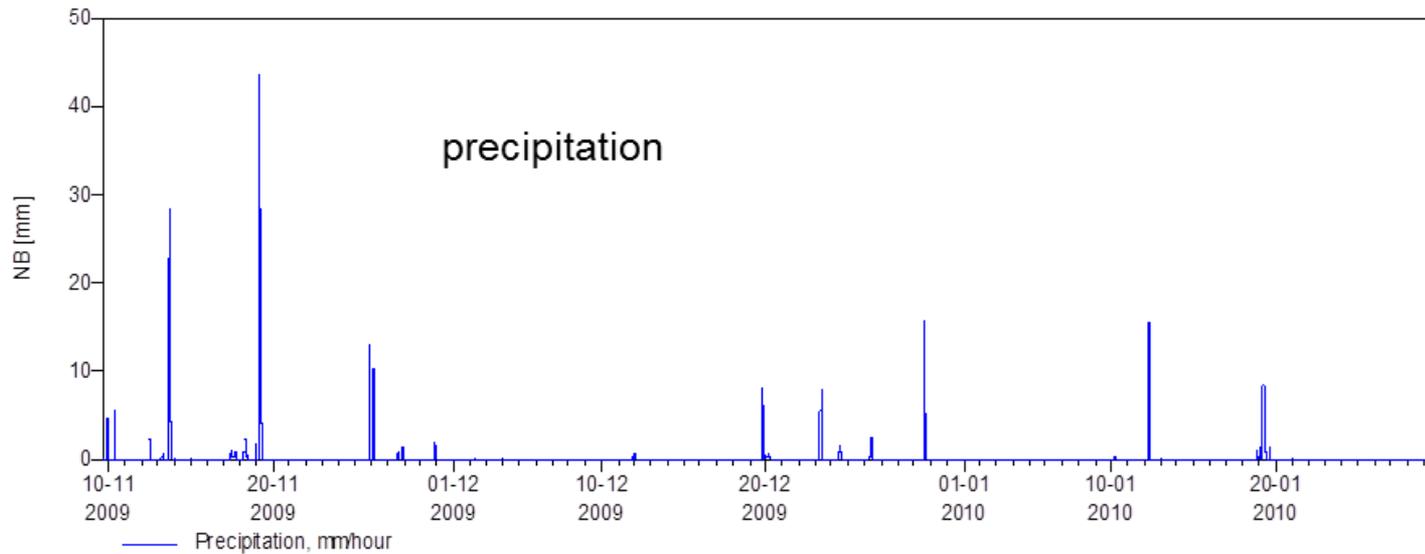


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Heterogeneidad temporal

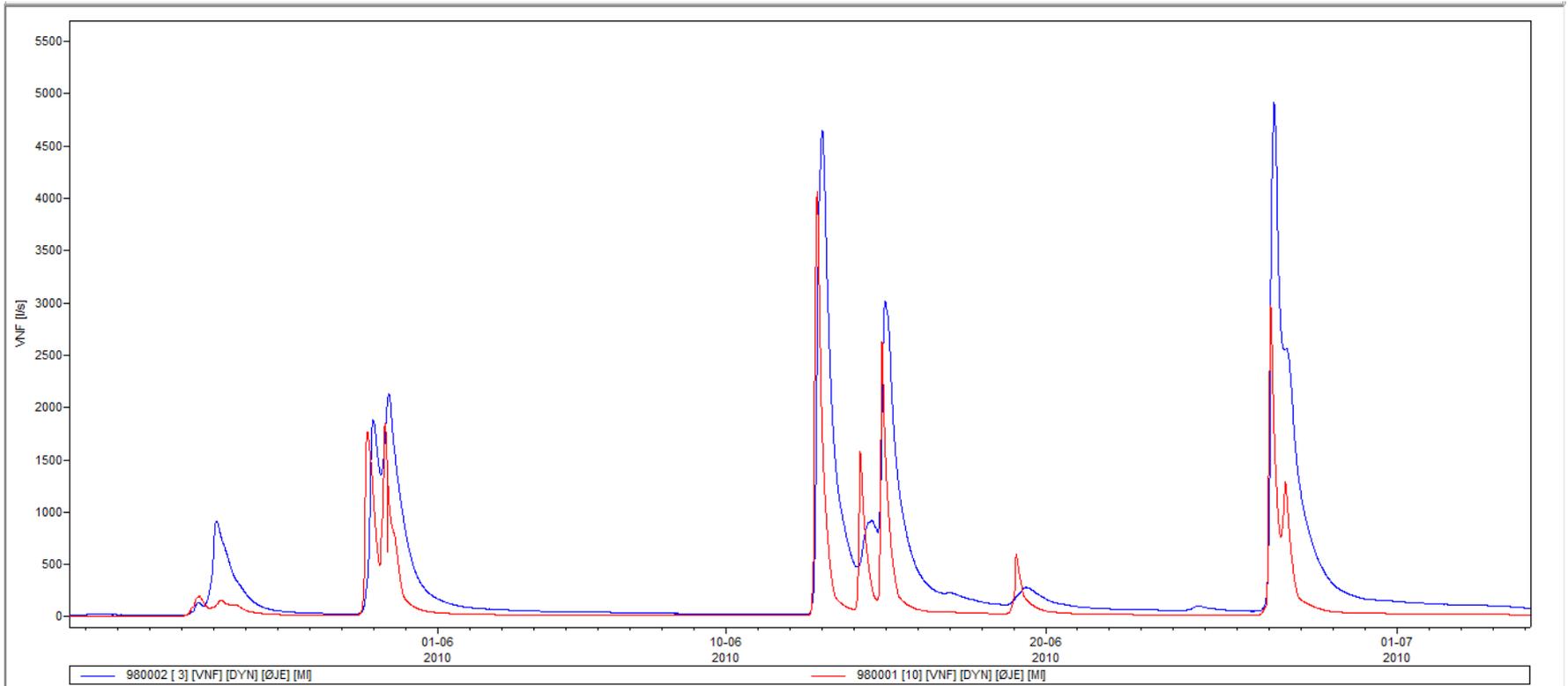
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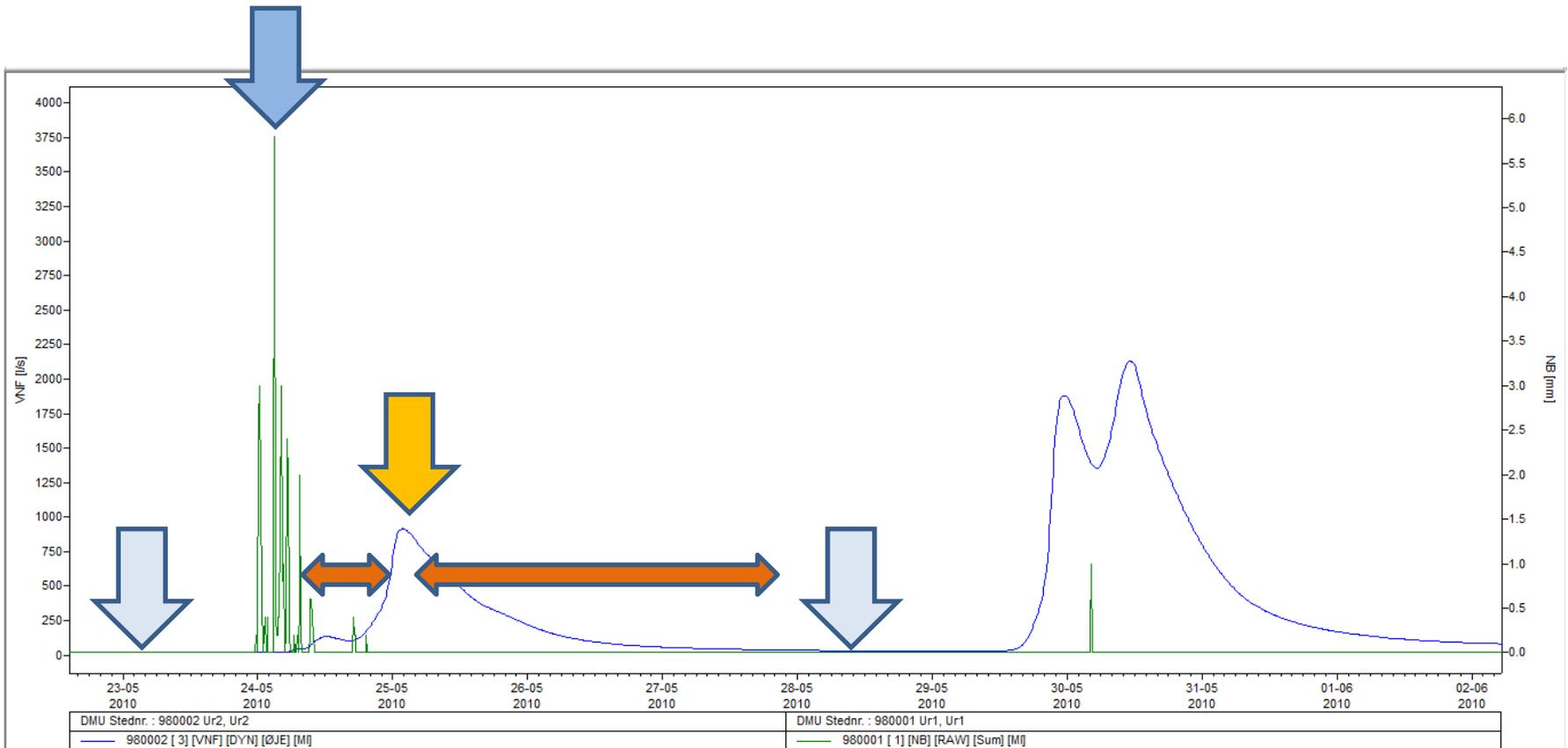
Heterogeneidad temporal



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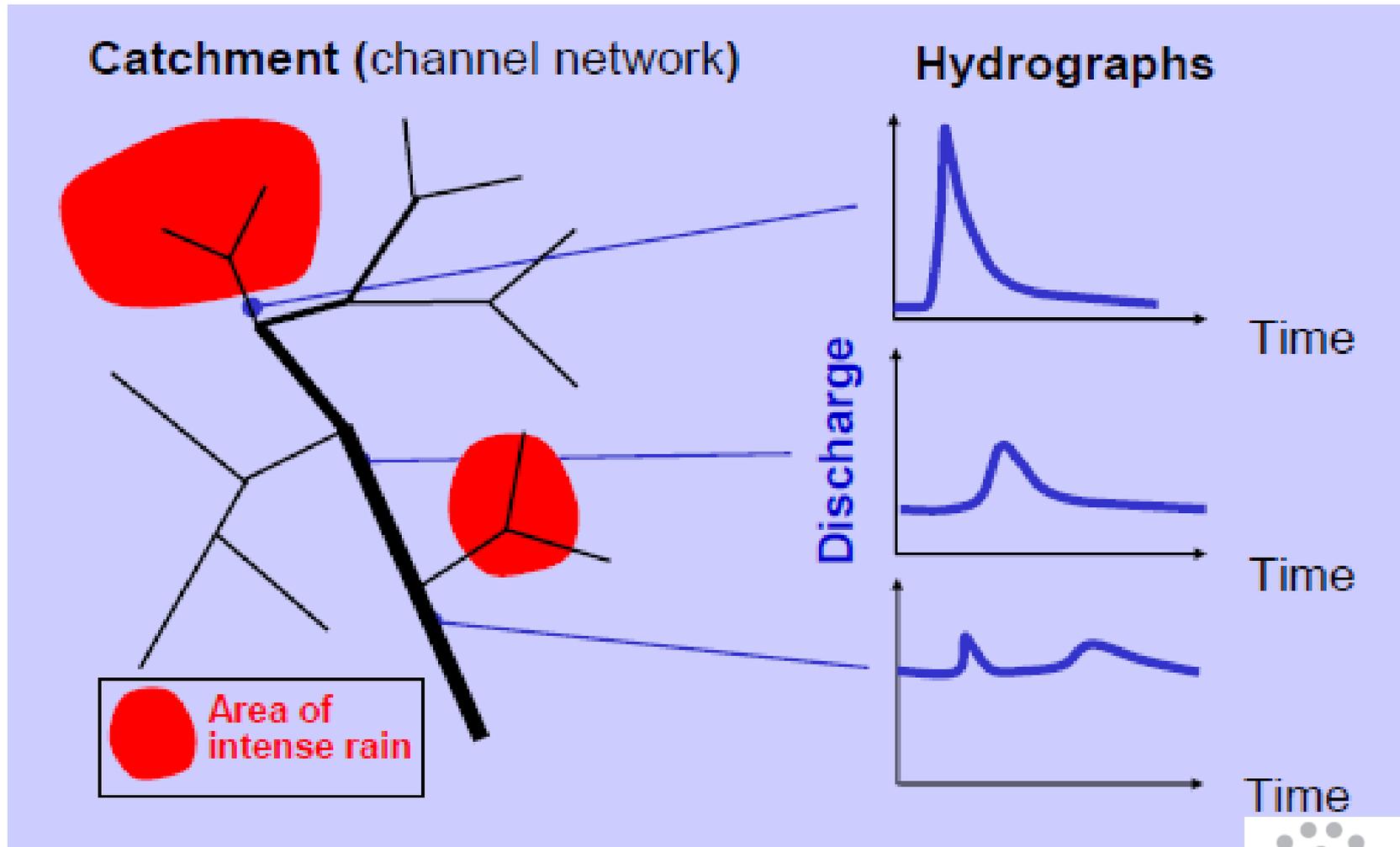
registro continuo del caudal en función del tiempo

Heterogeneidad temporal



Hidrográfica: Refleja las vías y la rapidez con la cual las entradas de la precipitación alcanzan el sistema.

Heterogeneidad tempo-espacial



El máximo de la hidrográfica está determinado por la severidad de la tormenta y la importancia relativa de las distintas vías por las que el agua ingresa al arroyo.

Heterogeneidad temporo-espacial



Heterogeneidad tempo-espacial



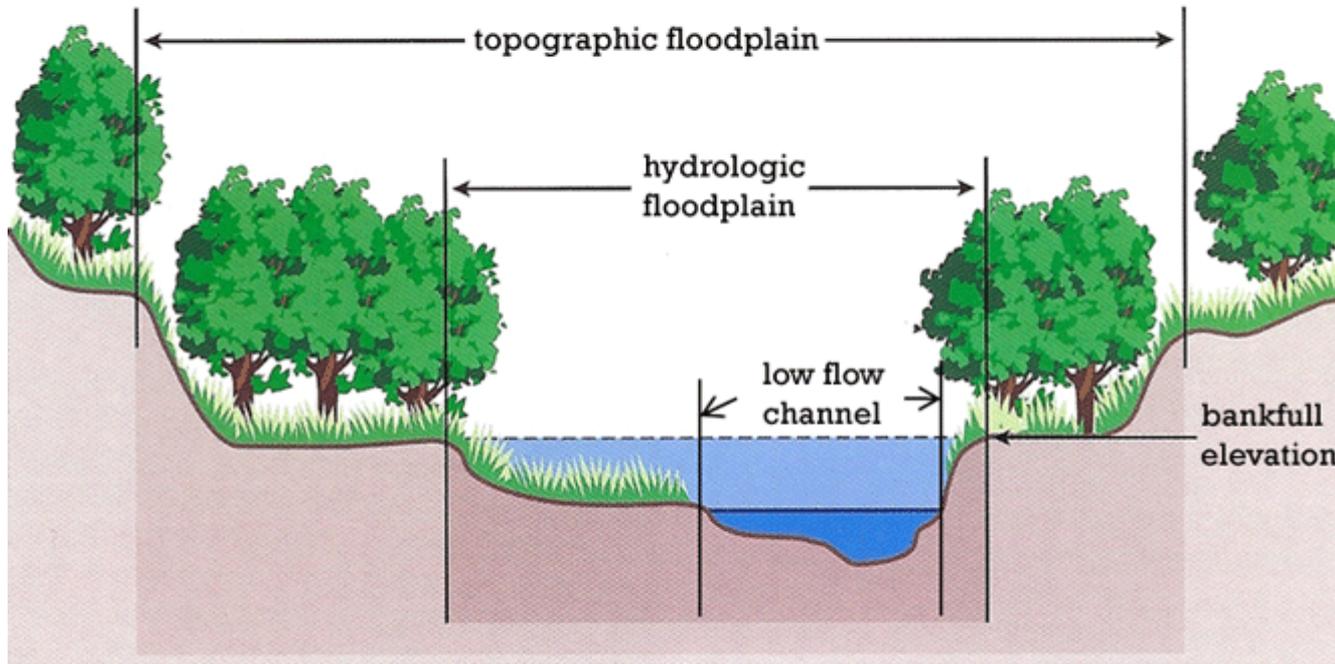
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Heterogeneidad tempo-espacial

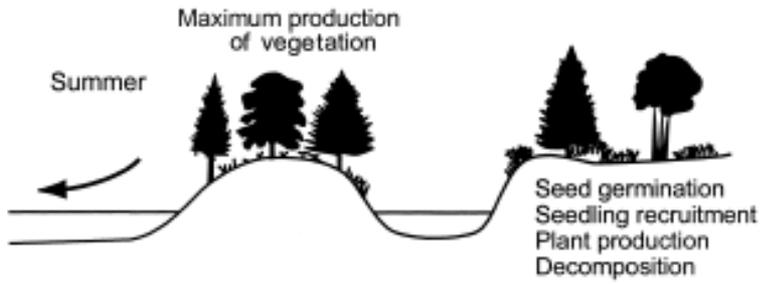
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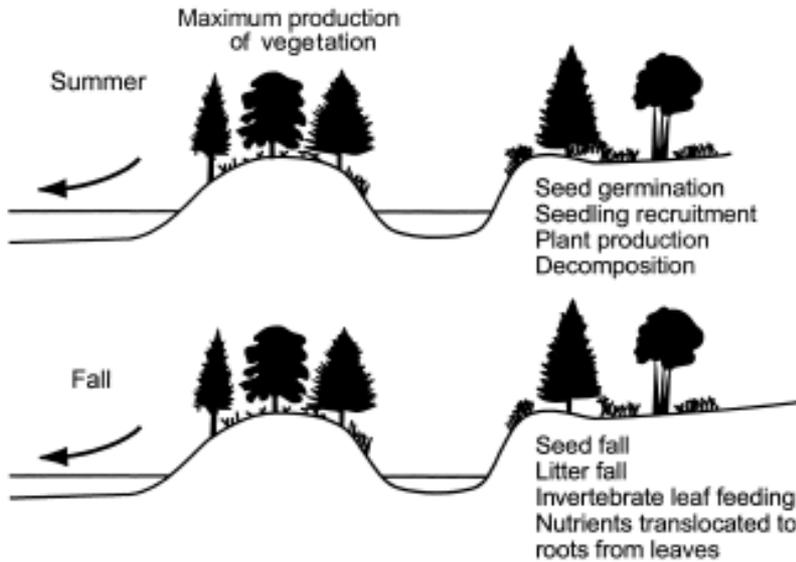
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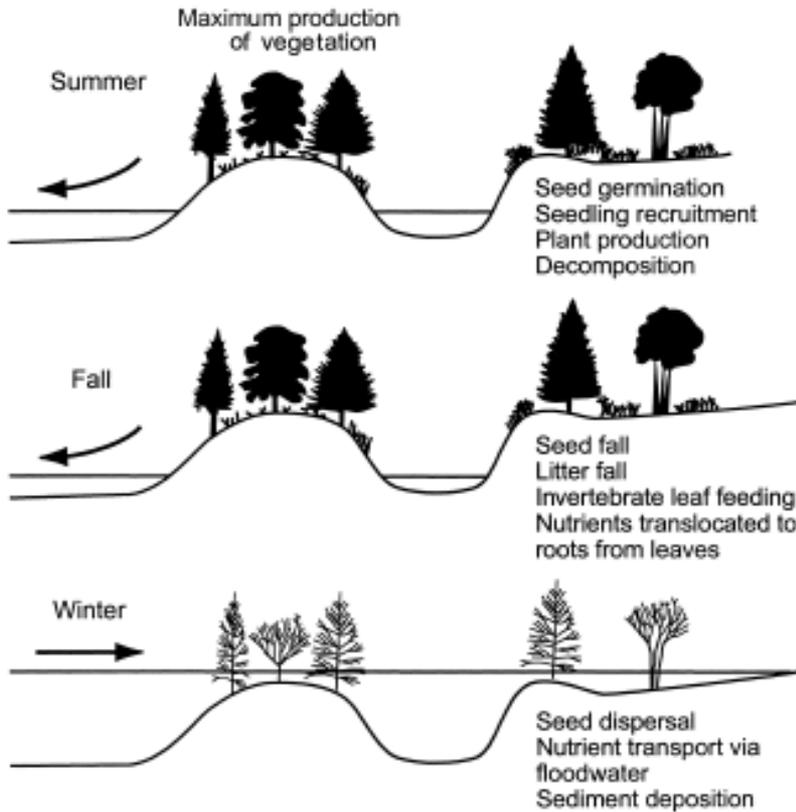
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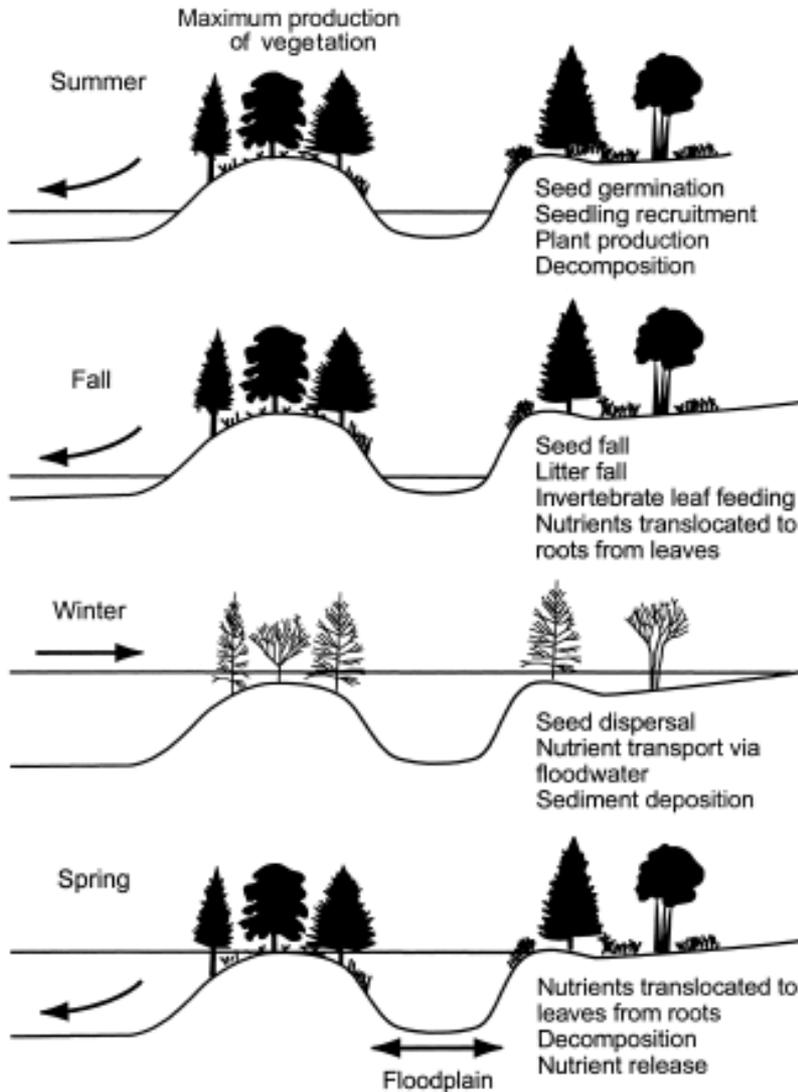
Pulso de inundación



Pulso de inundación



Pulso de inundación



Ciclos naturales de inundación condicionan el aporte de nutrientes y materia orgánica al cauce.

Ciclos de varias especies (por ej. peces) están totalmente acoplados a ciclos de inundación.



Fargo, North Dakota, USA (2011)

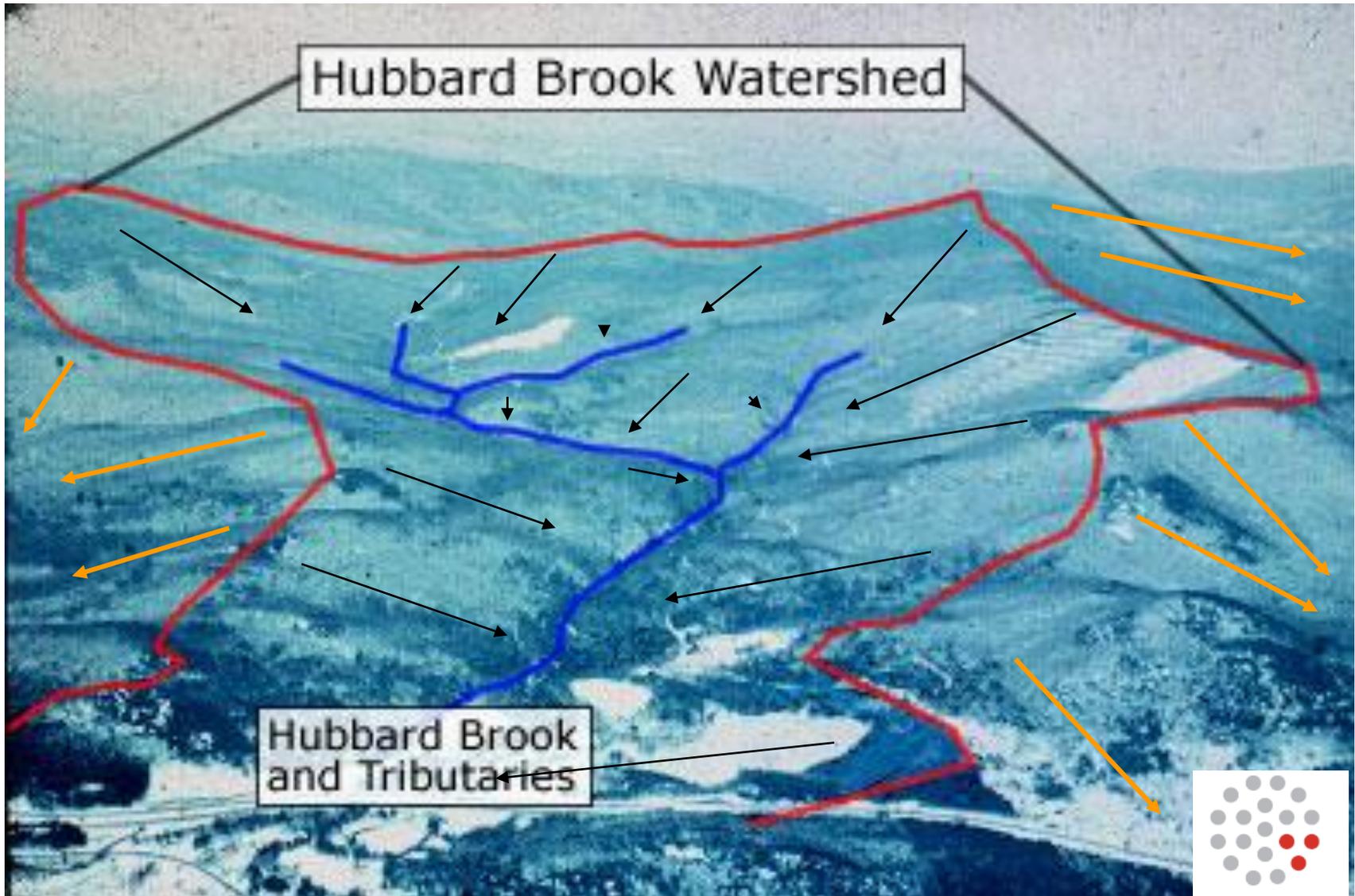


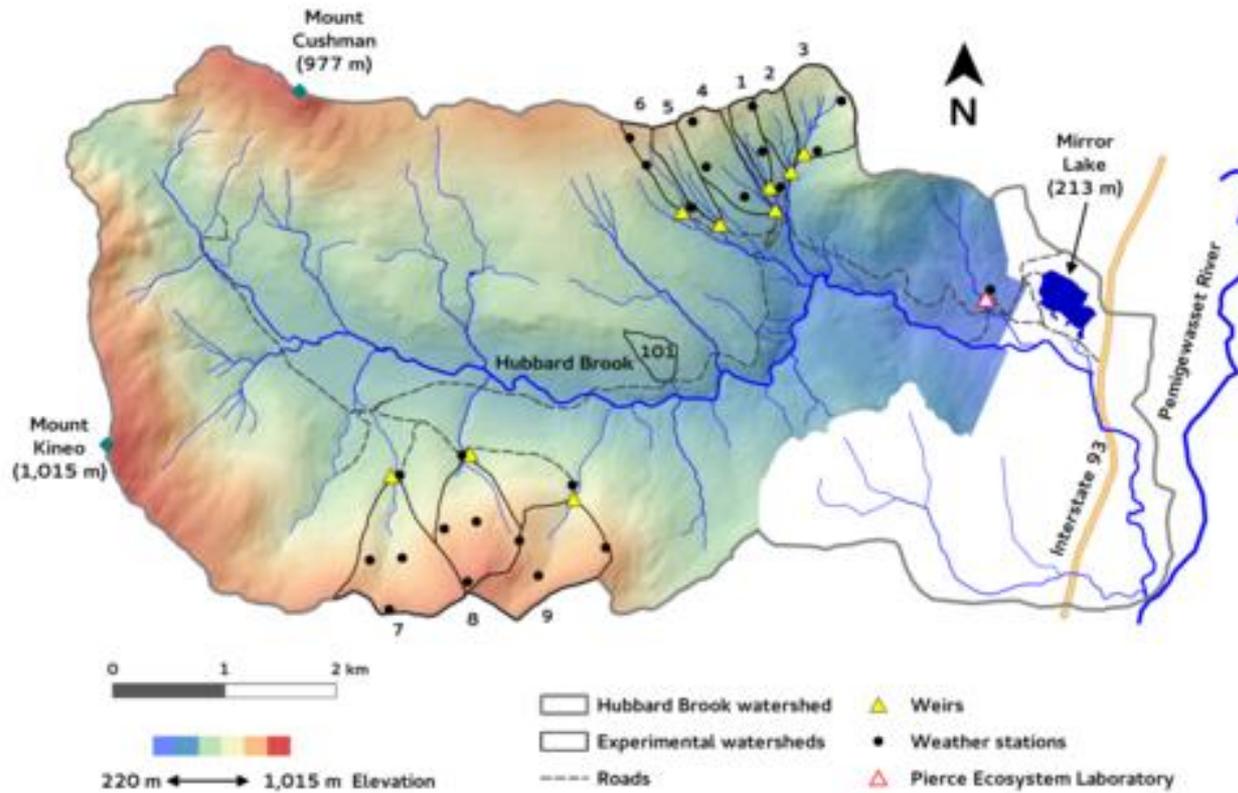
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"Continuous, truly long-term studies are exceedingly rare in ecology. Faced with greatly increasing problems of human-accelerated environmental change, the Hubbard Brook approach to understand complicated ecosystem function is more valuable than ever." — Gene E. Likens, co-founder of the Hubbard Brook Ecosystem Study

Overview

The **Hubbard Brook Ecosystem Study** is a long-term, collaborative research program focused on improving our understanding of the response of northern forest ecosystems to natural and anthropogenic disturbances. The study is supported by the National Science Foundation's Long Term Ecological Research program and the principal research site is the Hubbard Brook Experimental Forest, a 7,800-acre field site in the White Mountains of New Hampshire, operated by the USDA Forest Service. The research is extended through comparative studies with other sites in the northeastern U.S. and throughout the world.

The research involves long-term studies of the biological composition, productivity, hydrology, biogeochemistry, and food webs of forest and stream ecosystems. Results of the research are used to test and revise conceptual and quantitative models of ecosystem functioning, to inform policy and management decisions regionally and nationally, and to bring ecological knowledge to a diverse community of students and teachers at levels from K-12 to graduate students and postdoctoral fellows.

A Public-Private Partnership

The Hubbard Brook Ecosystem Study is a partnership among the USDA Forest Service, the National Science Foundation's Long Term Ecological Research (LTER) and Long Term Research in Environmental Biology (LTREB) programs, the Hubbard Brook Research Foundation, and scientists from research institutions throughout the world.

The Hubbard Brook Experimental Forest was designated in 1955 by the USDA Forest Service as a center for hydrologic research. The Hubbard Brook Ecosystem Study was co-founded in 1963 by aquatic ecologist Gene E. Likens, terrestrial ecologist F. Herbert Bormann, soil scientist Robert S. Pierce, and geologist Noye Johnson.

Welcome!

New scientists, students, and other community members are welcome! Read more About Us. To learn more about the LTER program and other research projects, check out the [Conceptual Model](#) and explore the [Online Textbook: A Synthesis of Scientific Research at Hubbard Brook](#).

Hubbard Brook: The Story of a Forest Ecosystem, by Richard T. Holmes and Gene E. Likens is a synthesis of more than 50 years of Hubbard Brook research, written for a general audience.

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Nutrient Cycling

Small watersheds can provide invaluable information about terrestrial ecosystems.

F. H. Bormann and G. E. Likens

Life on our planet is dependent upon the cycle of elements in the biosphere. Atmospheric carbon dioxide would be exhausted in a year or so by green plants were not the atmosphere continually recharged by CO₂ generated by respiration and fire (1). Also, it is well known that life requires a constant cycling of nitrogen, oxygen, and water. These cycles include a gaseous phase and have self-regulating feedback mechanisms that make them relatively perfect (2). Any increase in movement along one path is quickly compensated for by adjustments along other paths. Recently, however, concern has been expressed over the possible disruption of the carbon cycle by the burning of fossil fuel (3) and of the nitrogen cycle by the thoughtless introduction of pesticides and other substances into the biosphere (4).

Of no less importance to life are the elements with sedimentary cycles, such as phosphorus, calcium, and magnesium. With these cycles, there is a continual loss from biological systems in response to erosion, with ultimate deposition in the sea. Replacement or return of an element with a sedimen-

tary cycle to terrestrial biological systems is dependent upon such processes as weathering of rocks, additions from volcanic gases, or the biological movement from the sea to the land. Sedimentary cycles are less perfect and more easily disrupted by man than carbon and nitrogen cycles (2). Acceleration of losses or, more specifically, the disruption of local cycling patterns by the activities of man could reduce existing "pools" of an element in local ecosystems, restrict productivity, and consequently limit human population. For example, many agriculturalists, food scientists, and ecologists believe that man is accelerating losses of phosphorus and that this element will be a critical limiting resource for the functioning of the biosphere (1, 5).

Recognition of the importance of these biogeochemical processes to the welfare of mankind has generated intensive study of such cycles. Among ecologists and foresters working with natural terrestrial ecosystems, this interest has focused on those aspects of biogeochemical cycles that occur *within* particular ecosystems. Thus, information on the distribution of chemical

elements and on rates of uptake, retention, and release in various ecosystems has been accumulating (6). Little has been done to establish the role that weathering and erosion play in these systems.

Yet, the rate of release of nutrients from minerals by weathering, the addition of nutrients by erosion, and the loss of nutrients by erosion are three primary determinants of structure and function in terrestrial ecosystems. Further, with this information it is possible to develop total chemical budgets for ecosystems and to relate these data to the larger biogeochemical cycles.

It is largely because of the complex natural interaction of the hydrologic cycle and nutrient cycles that it has not been possible to establish these relationships. In many ecosystems this interaction almost hopelessly complicates the measurement of weathering or erosion. Under certain conditions, however, these apparent hindrances can be turned to good advantage in an integrated study of biogeochemical cycling in small watershed ecosystems.

It is the function of this article (i) to develop the idea that small watersheds can be used to measure weathering and erosion, (ii) to describe the parameters of watersheds particularly suited for this type of study, and (iii) to discuss the types of nutrient-cycling problems that this model renders susceptible to attack. Finally (iv), the argument is developed that the watershed ecosystem provides an ideal setting for studies of ecosystem dynamics in general.

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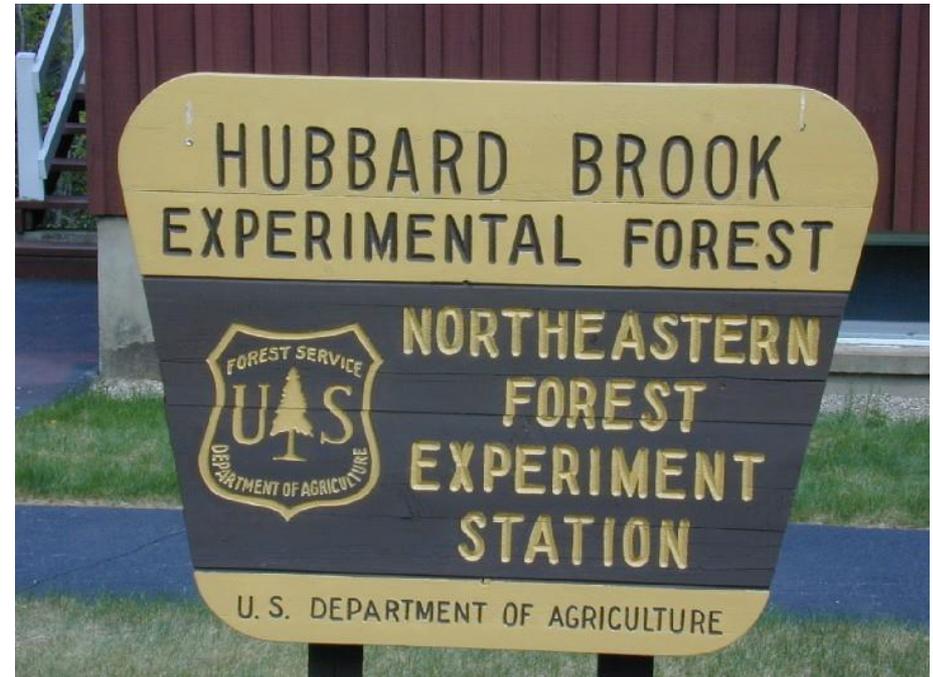
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- ❶ cuenca como unidad de estudio
- ❷ la hidrología define los límites del sistema de una forma natural, y todo lo que ocurre en la cuenca de drenaje puede afectar directa o indirectamente los cuerpos de agua que se encuentran en la cuenca.
- ❸ ciclo de nutrientes como proceso funcional principal en los ecosistemas



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¿Qué son?

¿Cuáles son sus características?

¿Qué los hace funcionar?

¿Homogéneos o heterogéneos?

¿Conectados o desconectados?

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- RECARGA-TRANSPORTE-DIRECCIONALIDAD ↑
- TIEMPO RESIDENCIA ↓
- CAPACIDAD DE ALMACENAMIENTO (!) ↑↓
- ACOPLAMIENTO CLIMÁTICO/METEOROLÓGICO ↑
- HETEROGENEIDAD ESPACIAL ↑
- HETEROGENEIDAD TEMPORAL ↑
- VÍNCULO CON EL ENTORNO/CONECTIVIDAD ↑

