

# Phase 6 Watershed Model Prototype:

*building sensitivities into the model ...*

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# Outline ...

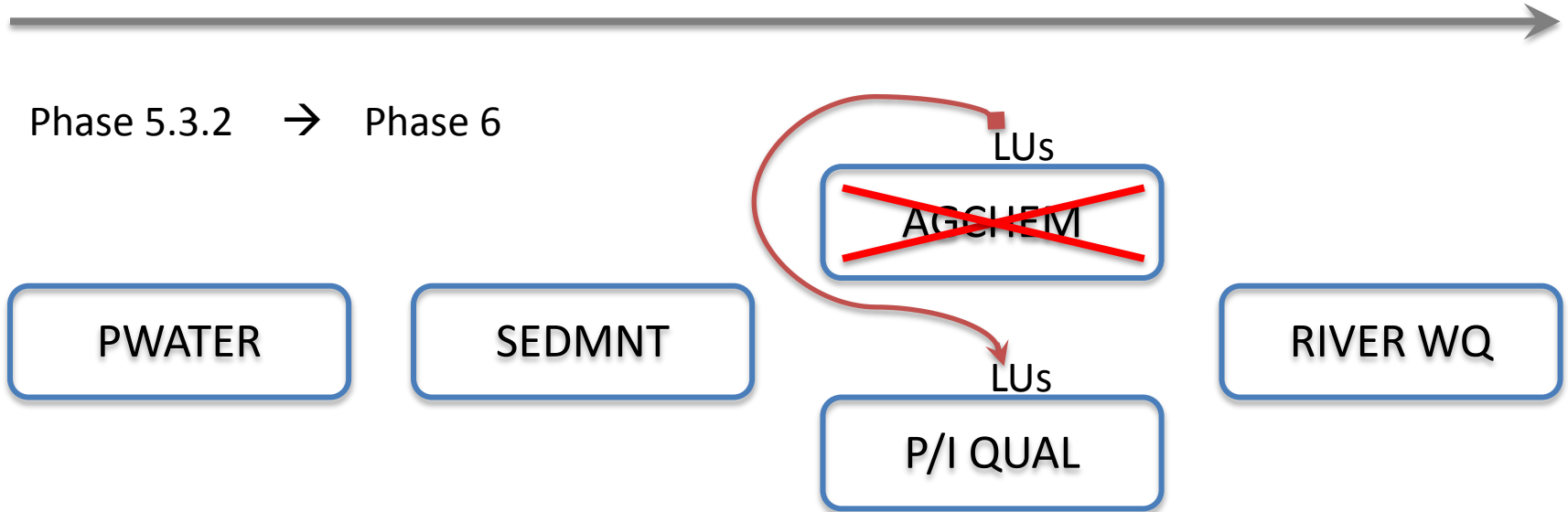
- Brief Review of Phase-6 Prototype & Calibration
- Implementation of Sensitivities in the Model
  - Overview of sensitivity
  - HSPF PQUAL sub-model and challenges
  - Strategy to build in sensitivities & prototype
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- Overview of an Alternative Approach
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## Brief Review of Phase-6 Prototype & Calibration

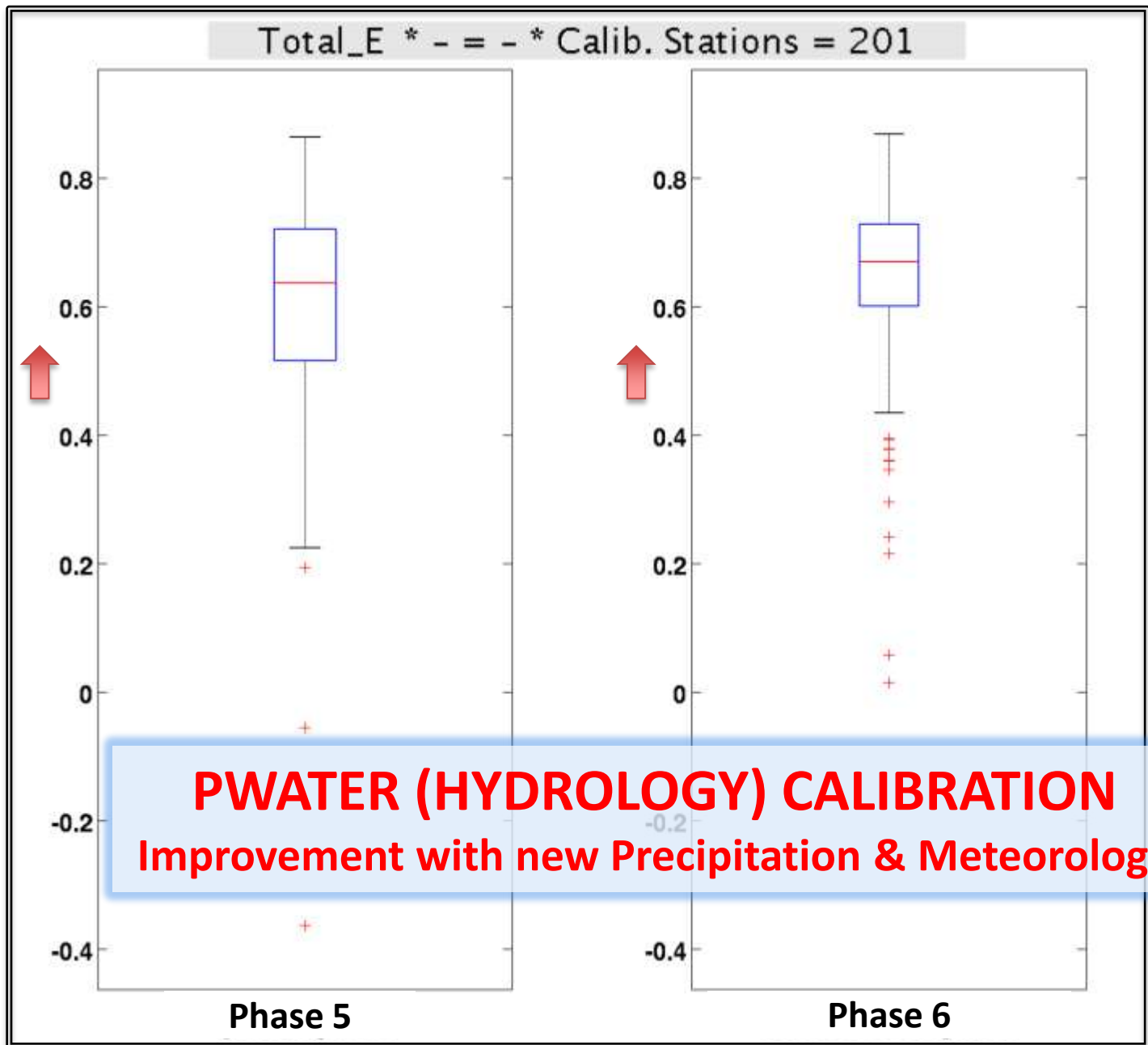
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# Phase 6 Watershed Model

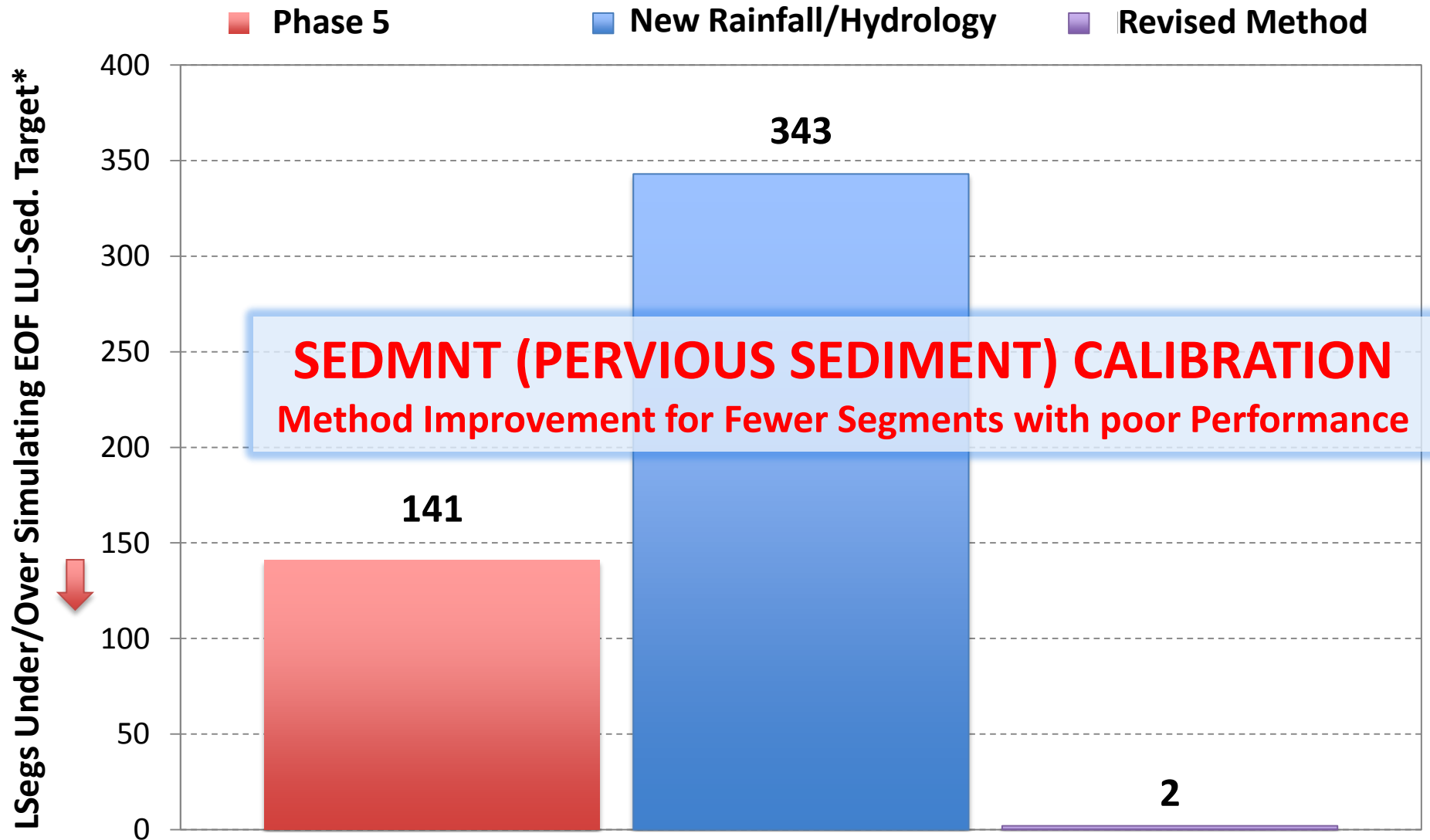
Watershed Model Calibration:



We are able to calibrate watershed model with this new setup with model performance indices as par compared to P532.

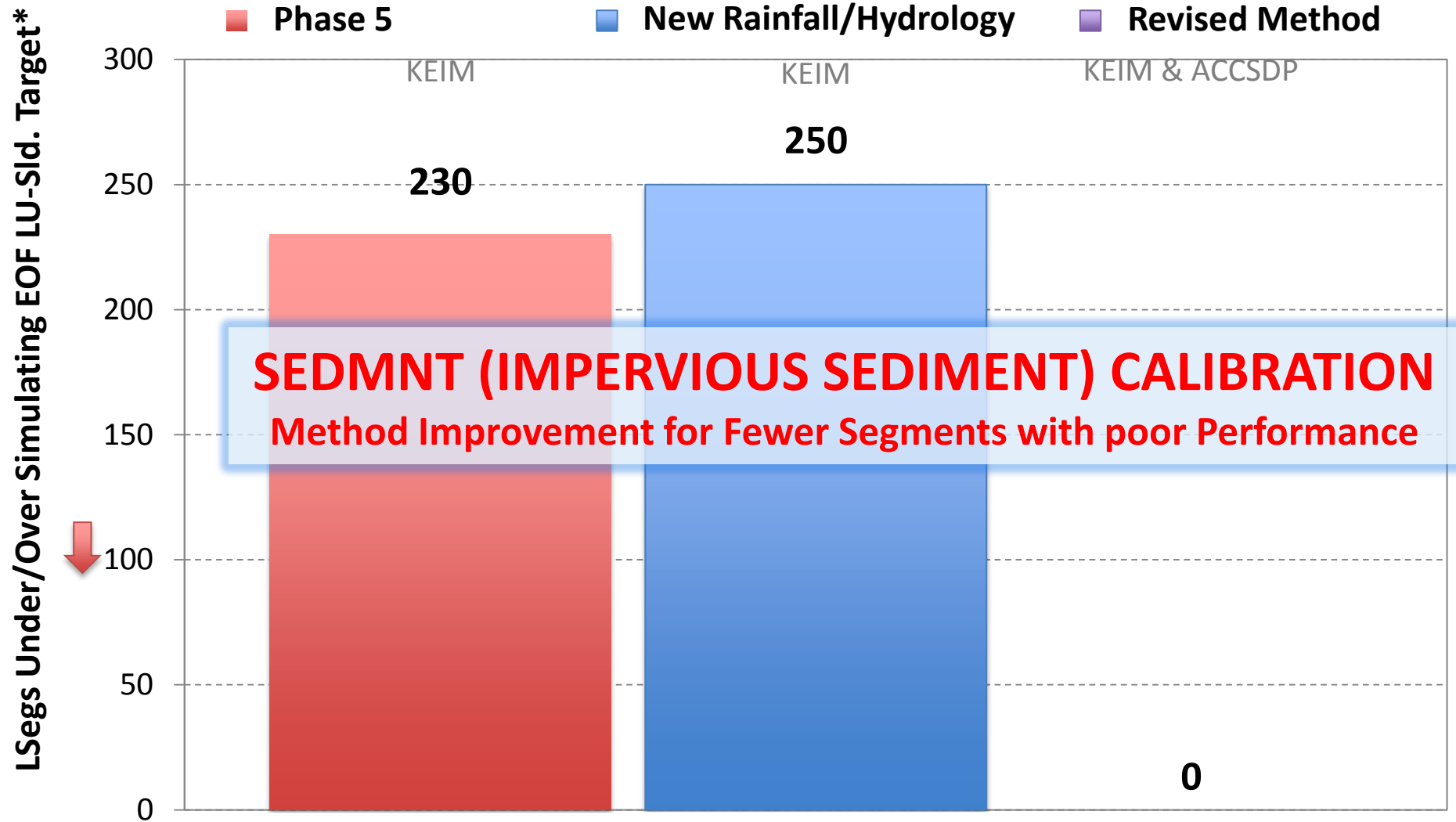


# Improvement in Matching the a-priori *Targets*\*



\*Total Number of Land Segments (367) x Number of **Pervious** Land Uses (25) = 9175

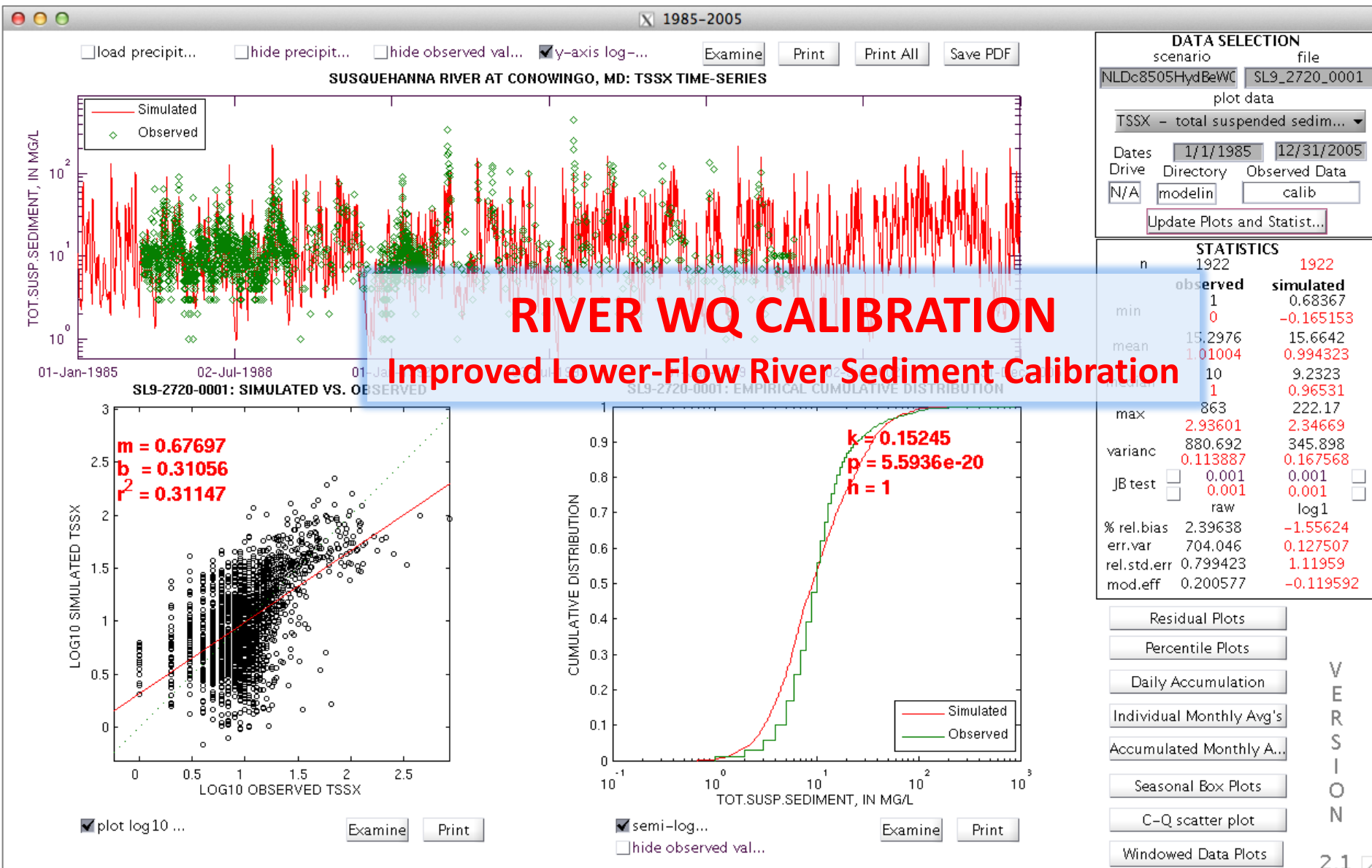
# Improvement in Matching the a-priori *Targets*\*



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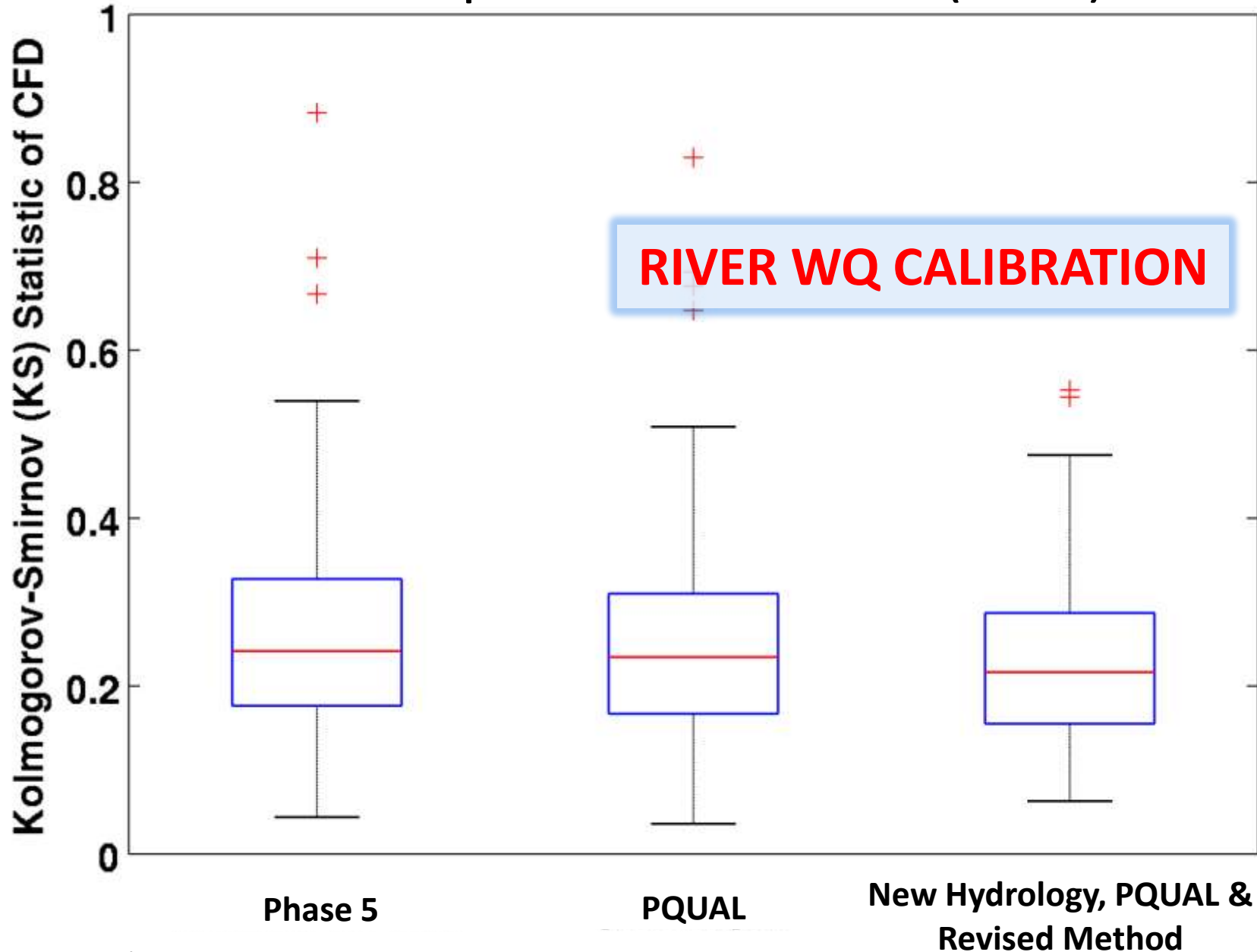
# Prototype Phase 6 – TSSX : : 1985 – 2005

Susquehanna River near Conowingo, MD

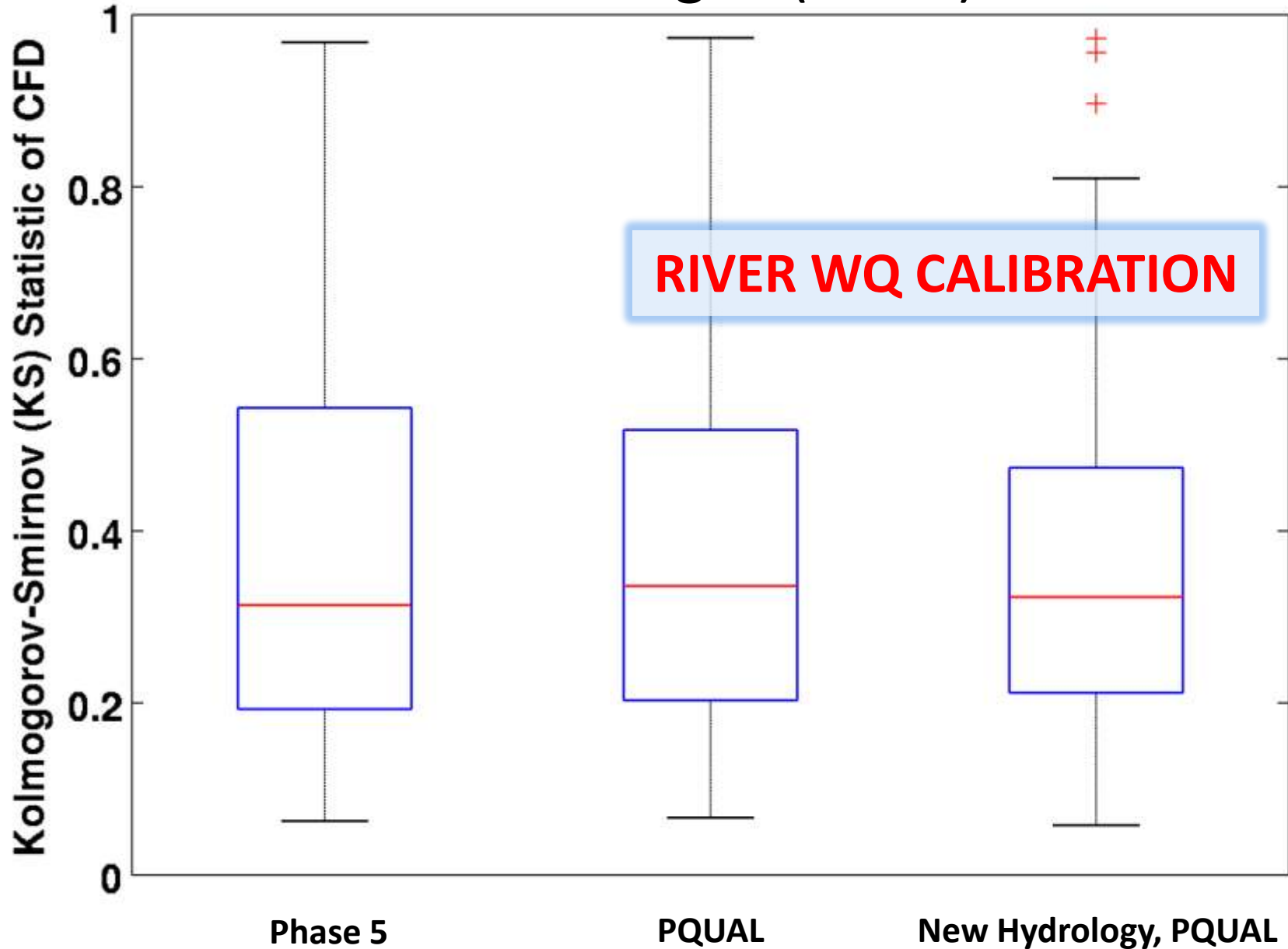




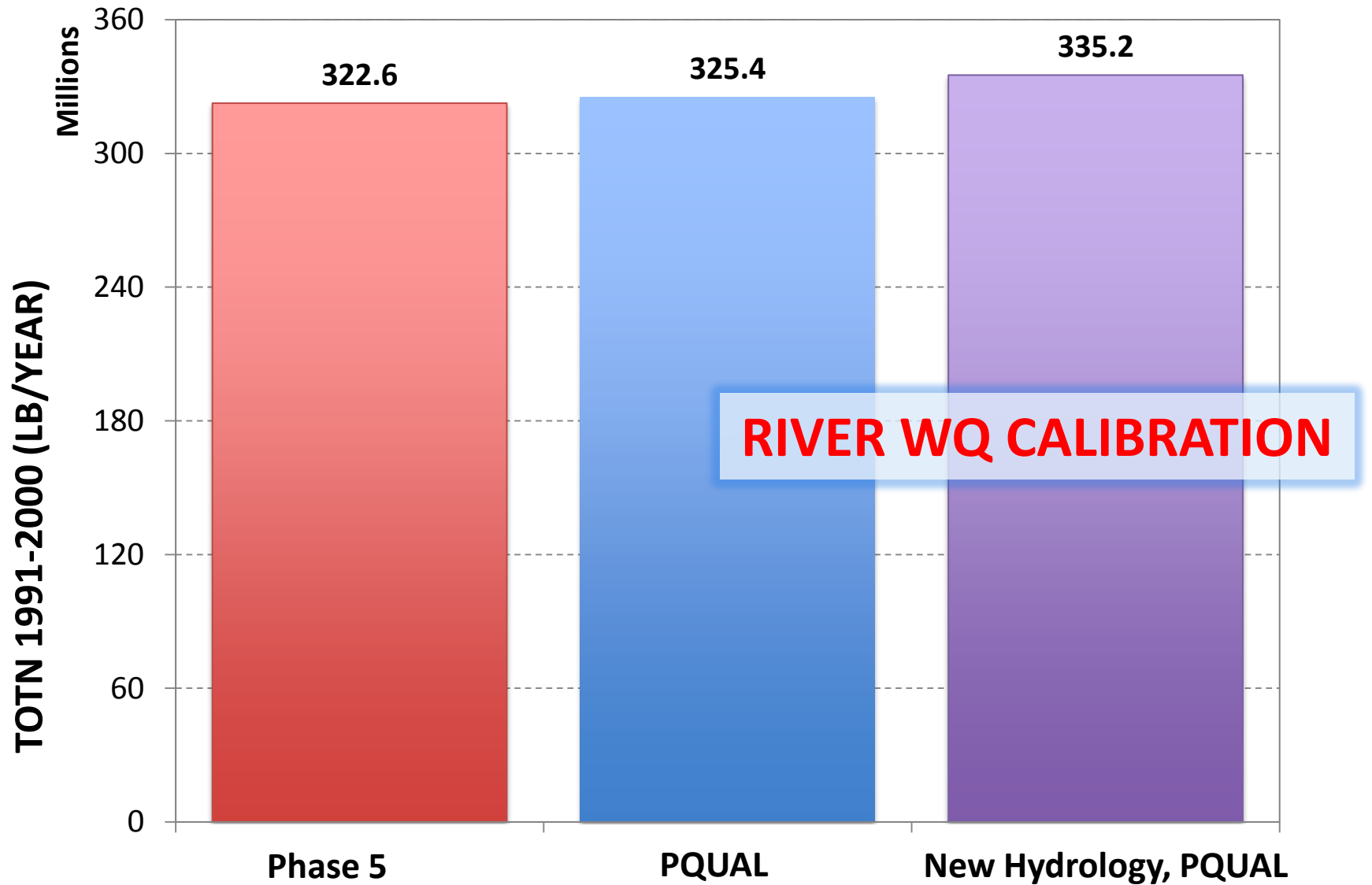
# Total Suspended Sediment (TSSX)



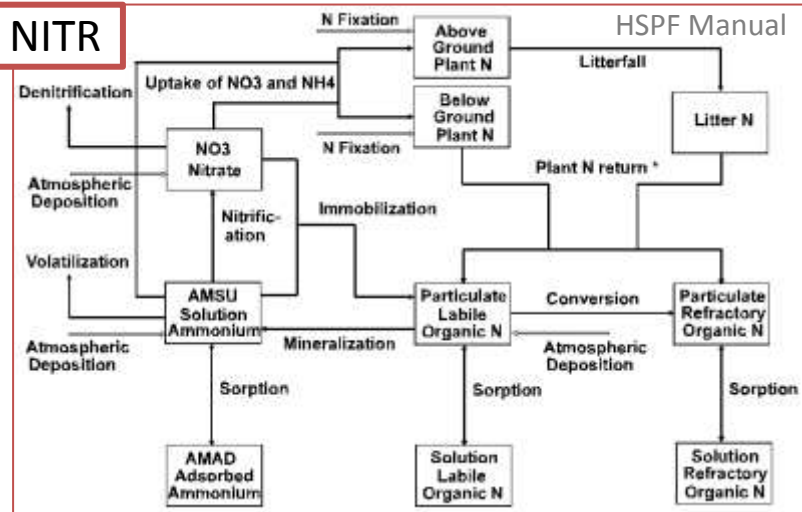
# Total Nitrogen (TOTN)



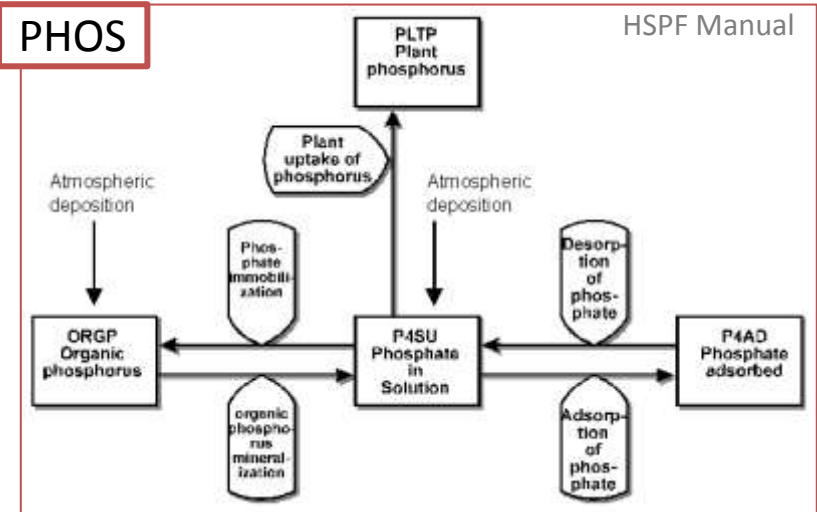
# Total Nitrogen Delivered to the Bay



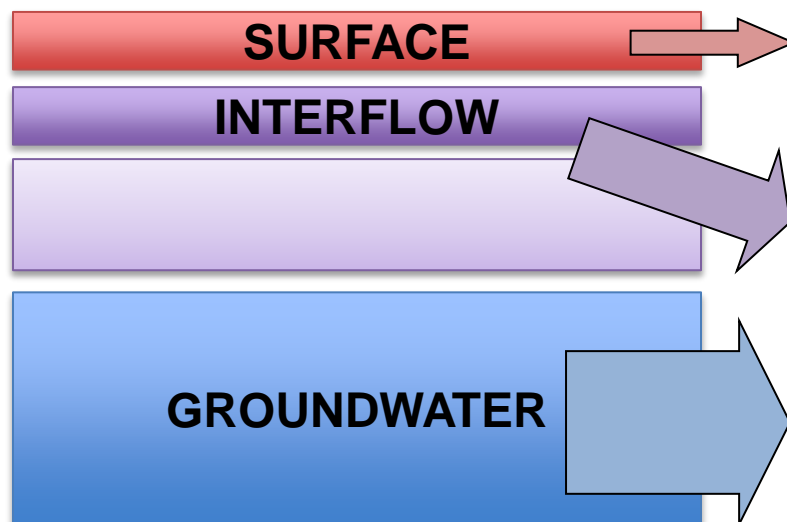
## NITR



## PHOS



## PQUAL



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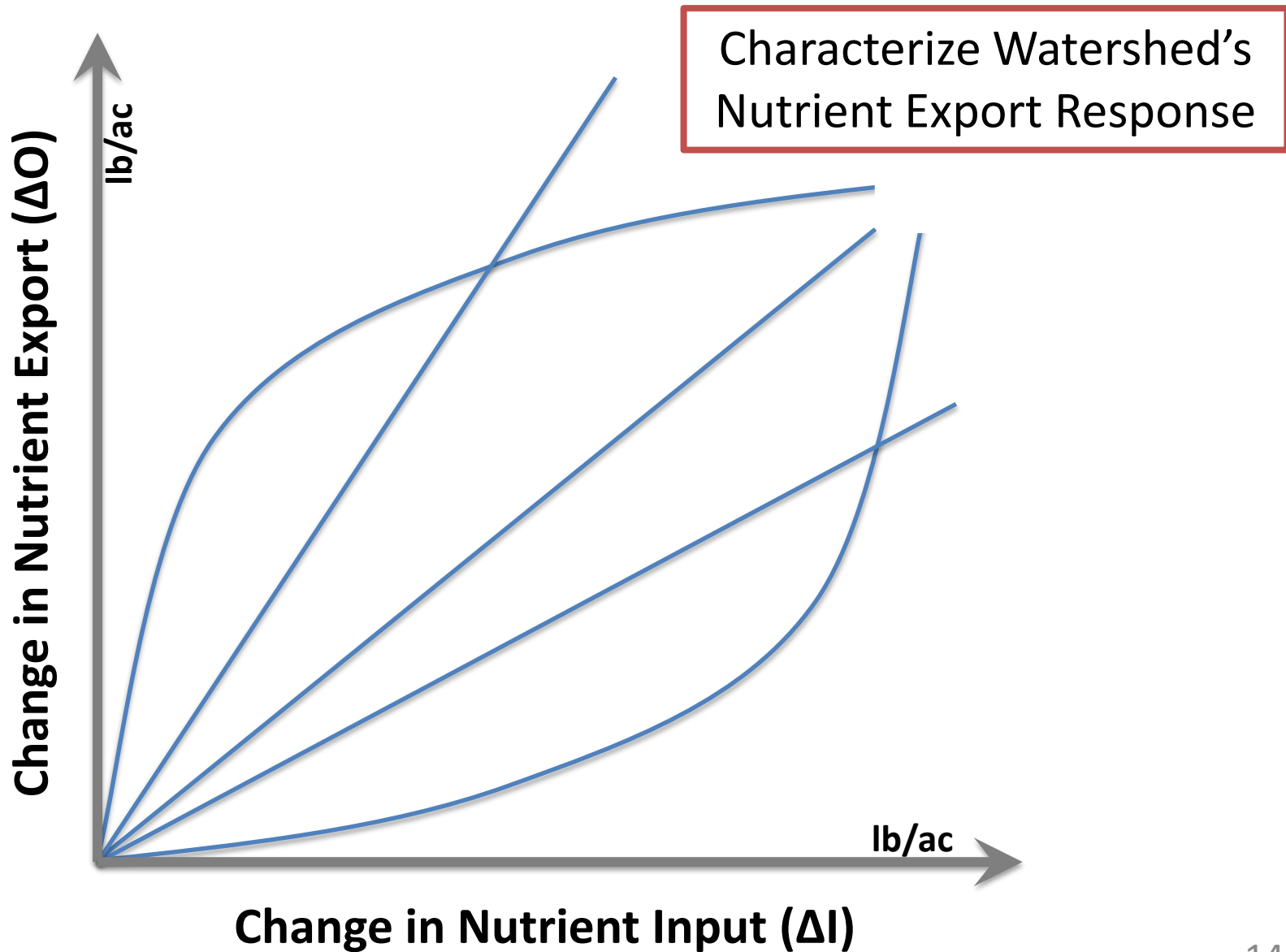
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Adapted from Shenk, 2009

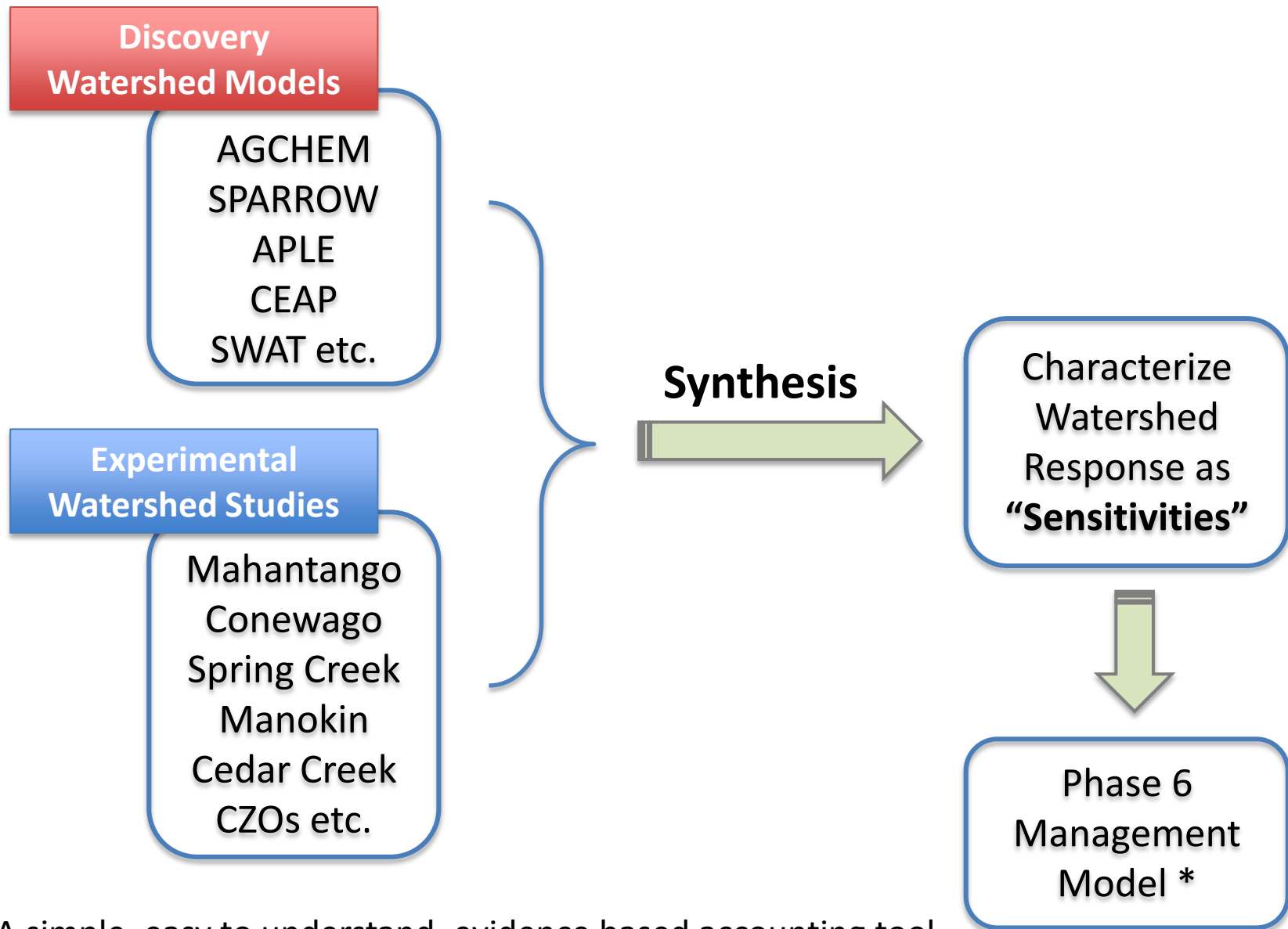
## Implementation of Sensitivities in the Model

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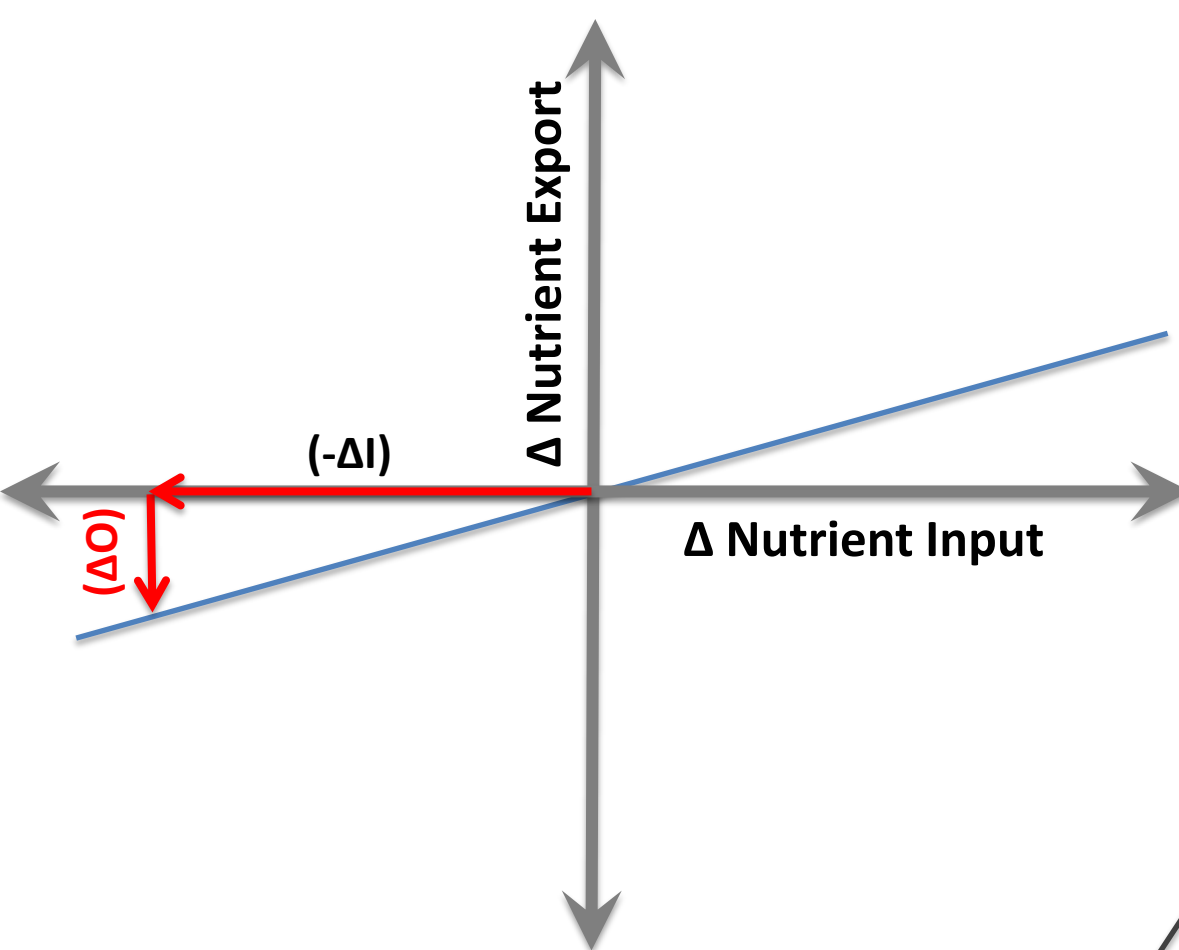
# Watershed Model Nutrient Export “Sensitivity”



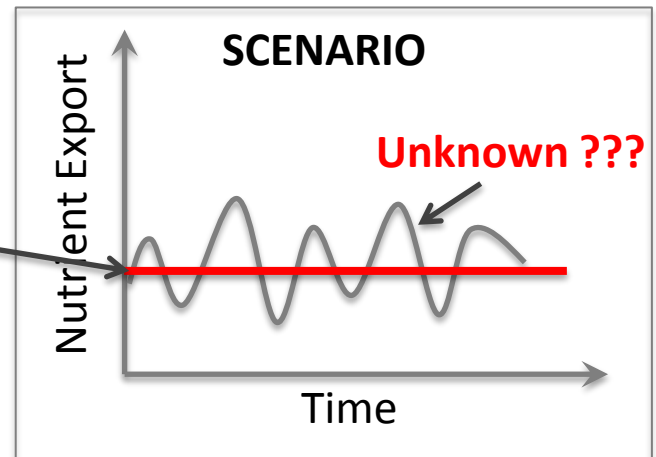
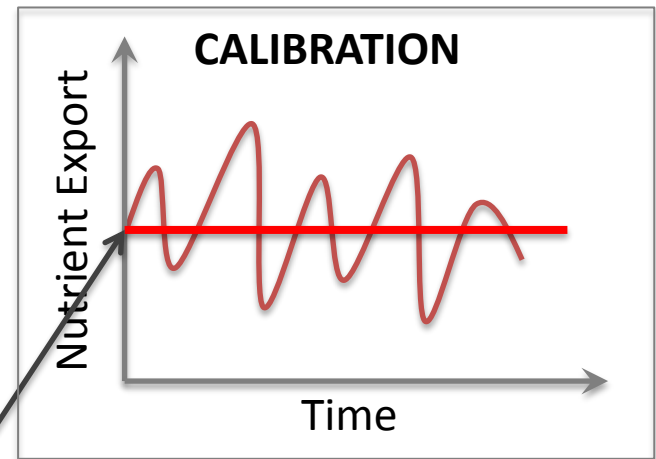
# Watershed Model Nutrient Export Sensitivity



\* A simple, easy to understand, evidence based accounting tool.

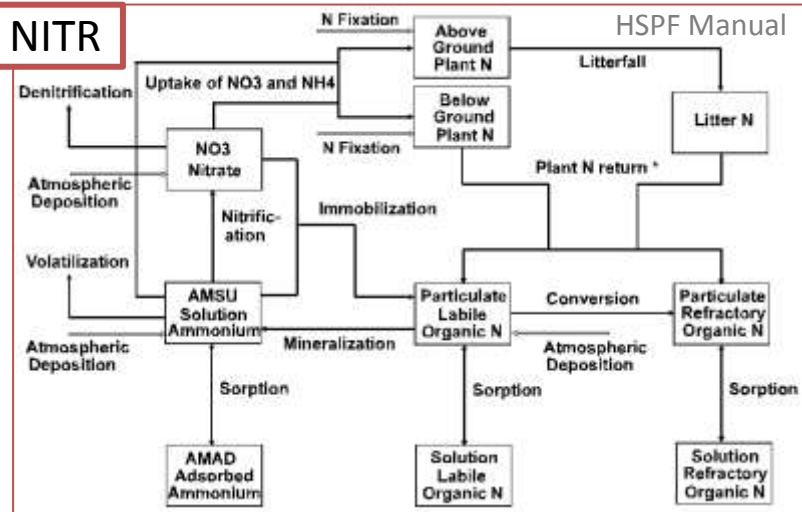


**$\Delta O$**  is Long-term Change in Nutrient Export  
(average annual change during 1991-2000)

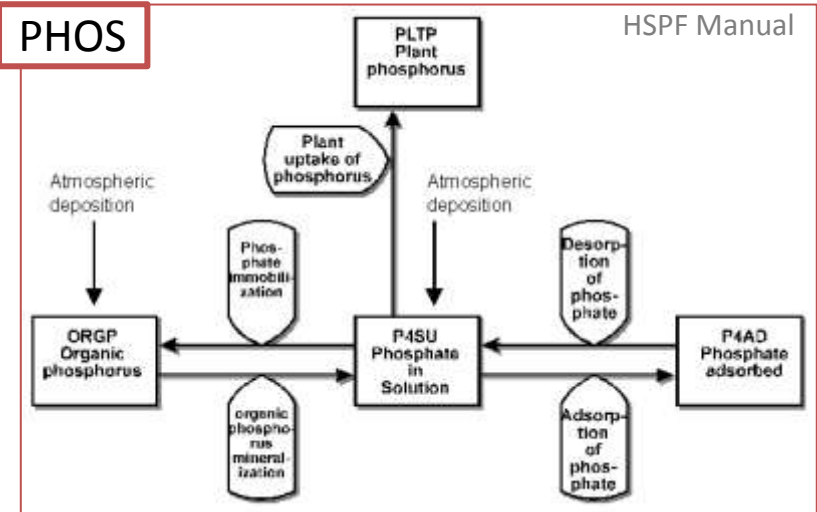




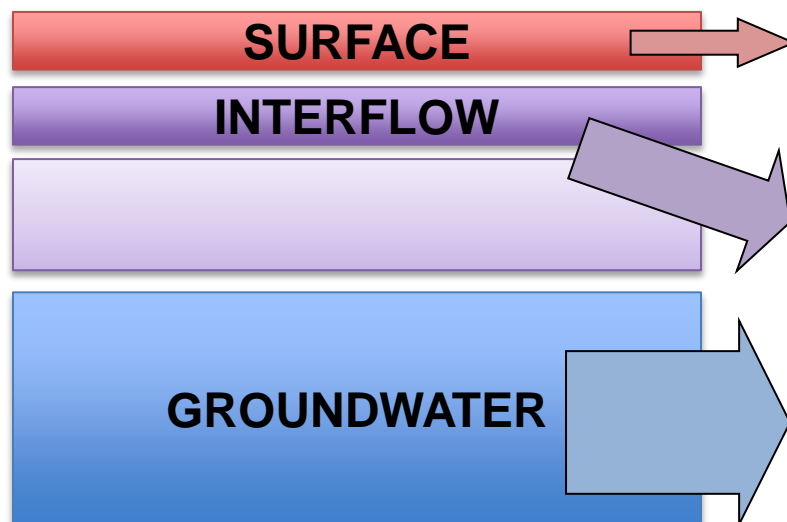
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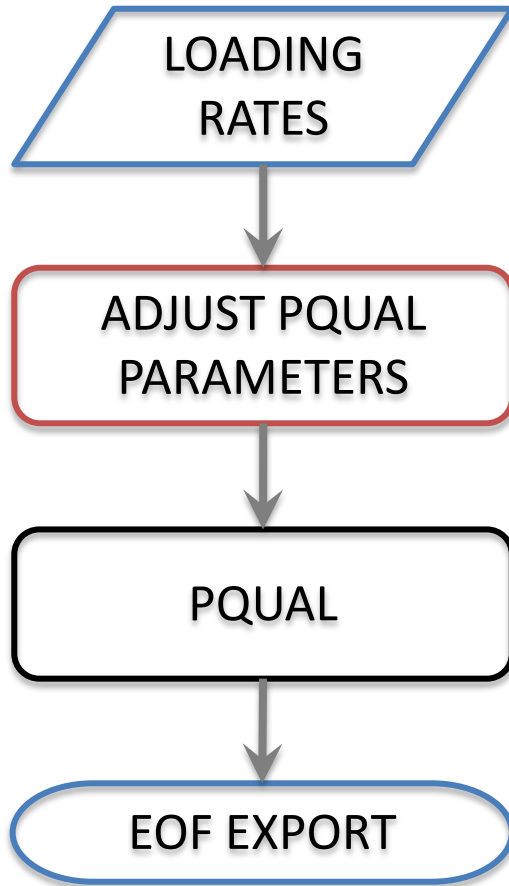
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# PQUAL Calibration

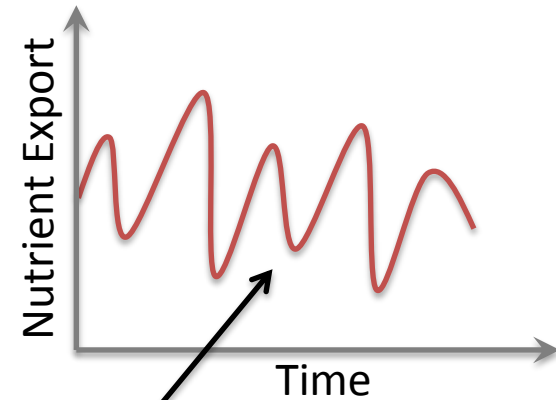
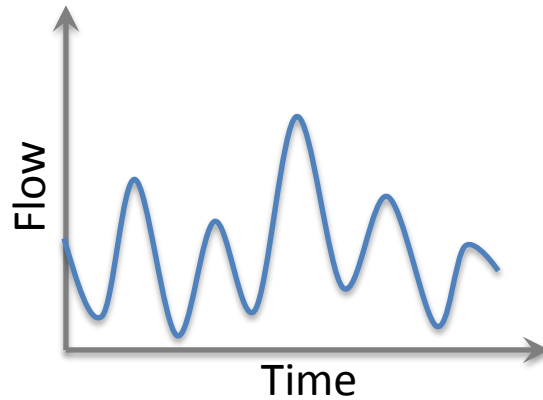
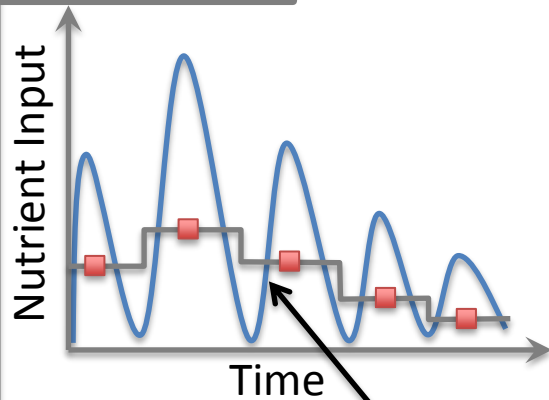


**During calibration average PQUAL parameters are adjusted annually based on annual input loads.**

**This acts as a mechanism to translate inter annual variability in inputs (e.g. atmospheric deposition, fertilizer, manure) to model output (EOF Export).**

# Challenges: Complexity in creating a simple model...

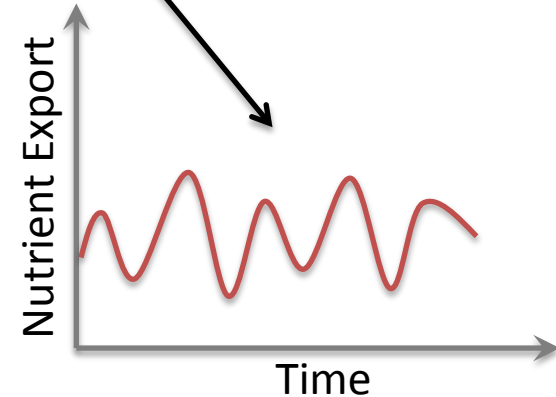
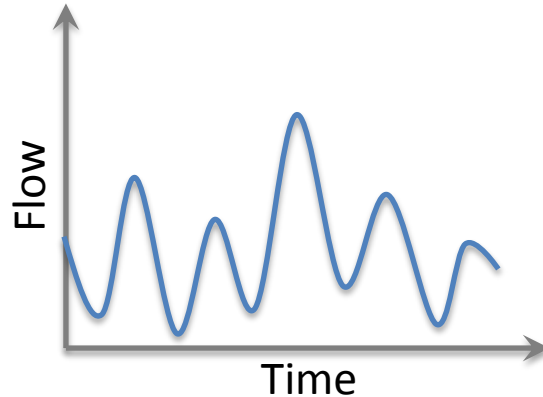
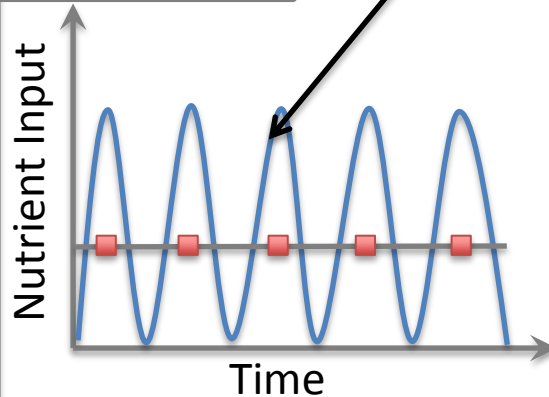
## CALIBRATION



CALIB INPUT == SCEN INPUT

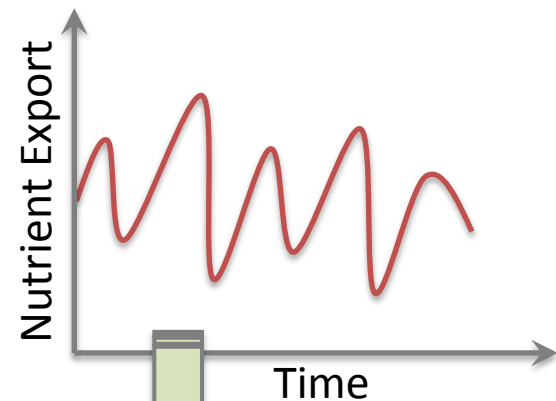
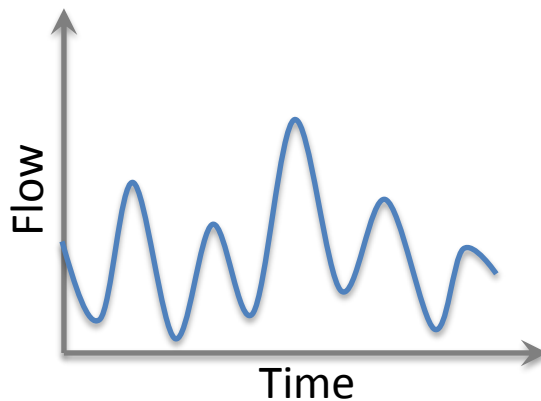
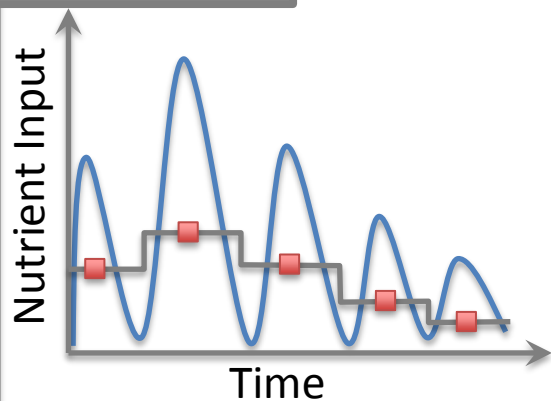
CALIB OUTPUT **≠** SCEN OUTPUT

## SCENARIO



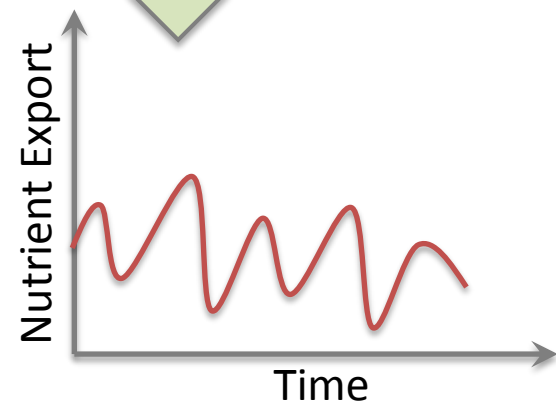
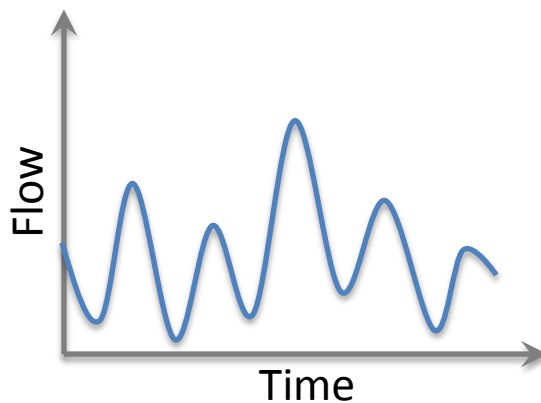
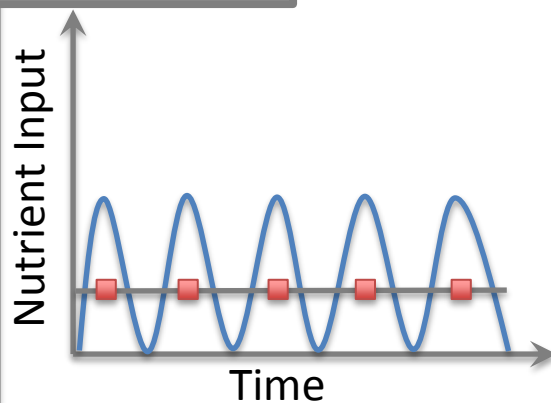
Scenarios should be evaluated outside PQUAL for consistency!

## CALIBRATION



**(Simple Scaling of the Output)**

## SCENARIO



# Phase 6 Watershed Model

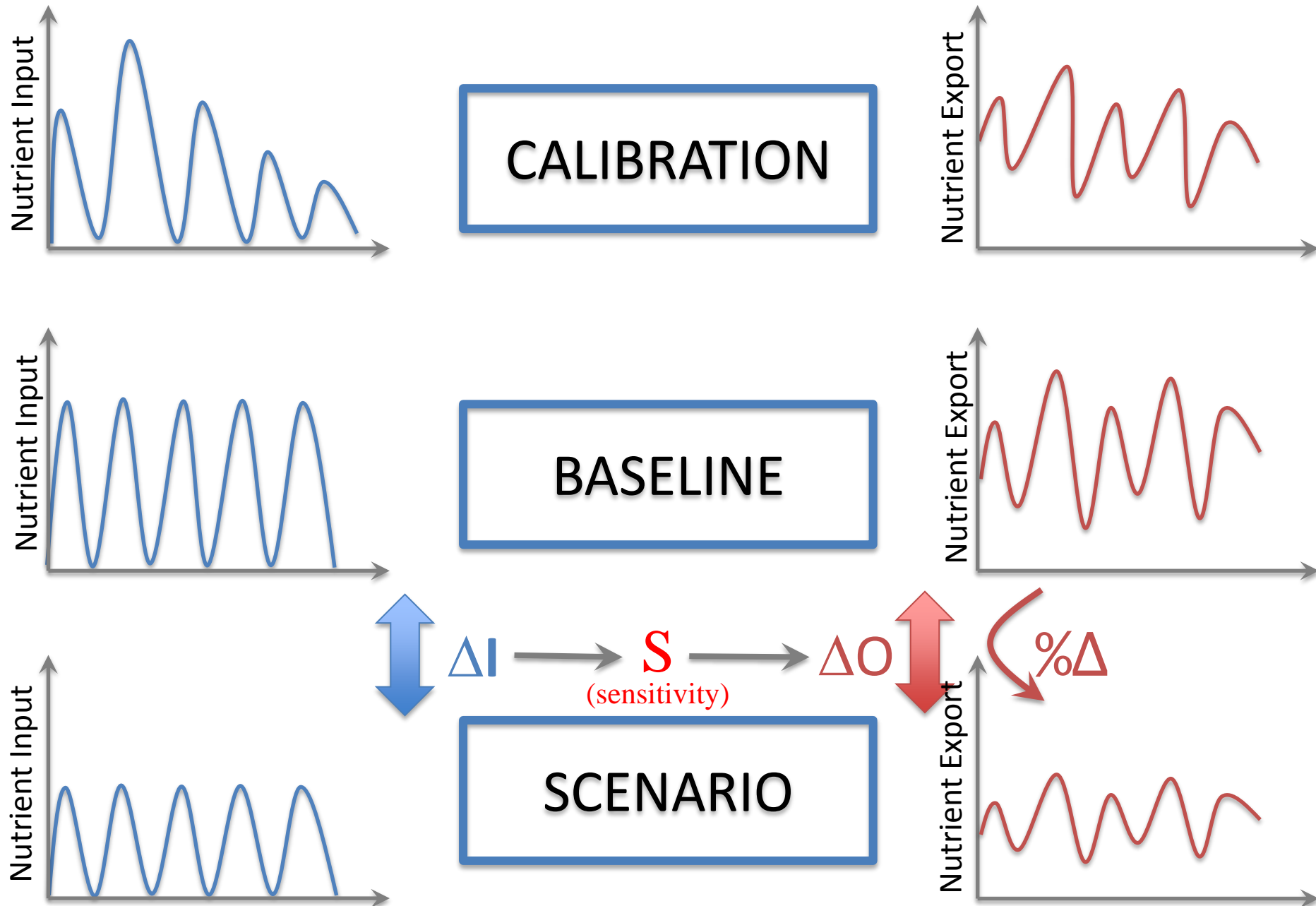
*building sensitivities into the model*

**Strategy:** For a given land use and land segment, adjust EOF nutrient export time-series based on changes in application rates and corresponding *sensitivities*.

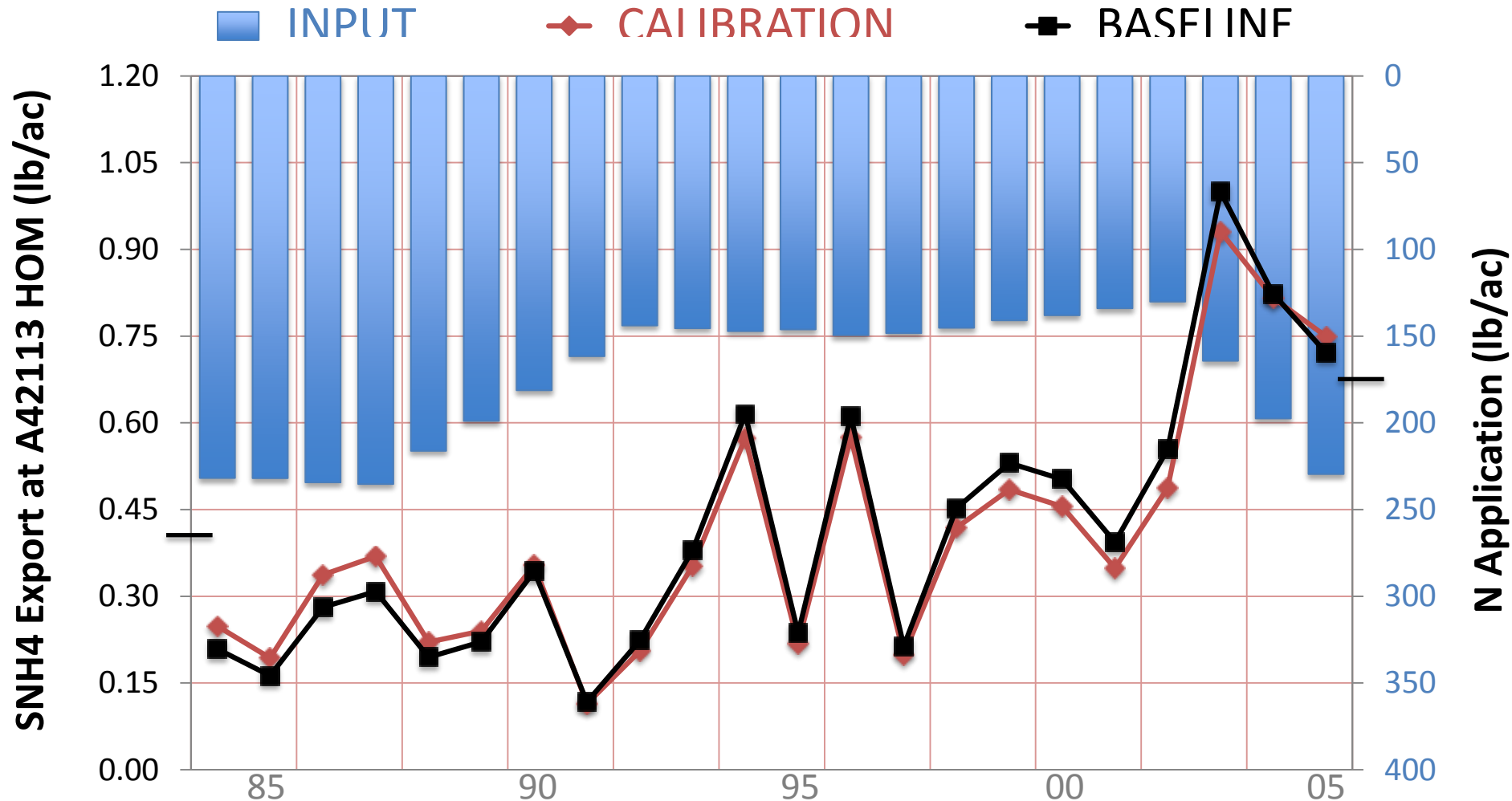
**Step 1:** Remove background loading signals from *calibration* EOF time-series to create *baseline*. Note, management scenarios have repeated annual application rates.

**Step 2:** Develop a tool to grab *sensitivities* to application sources; combine with *changes in nutrient inputs*; and apply changes in nutrient export to the *baseline*.

# *Sensitivity: Conceptual Details*



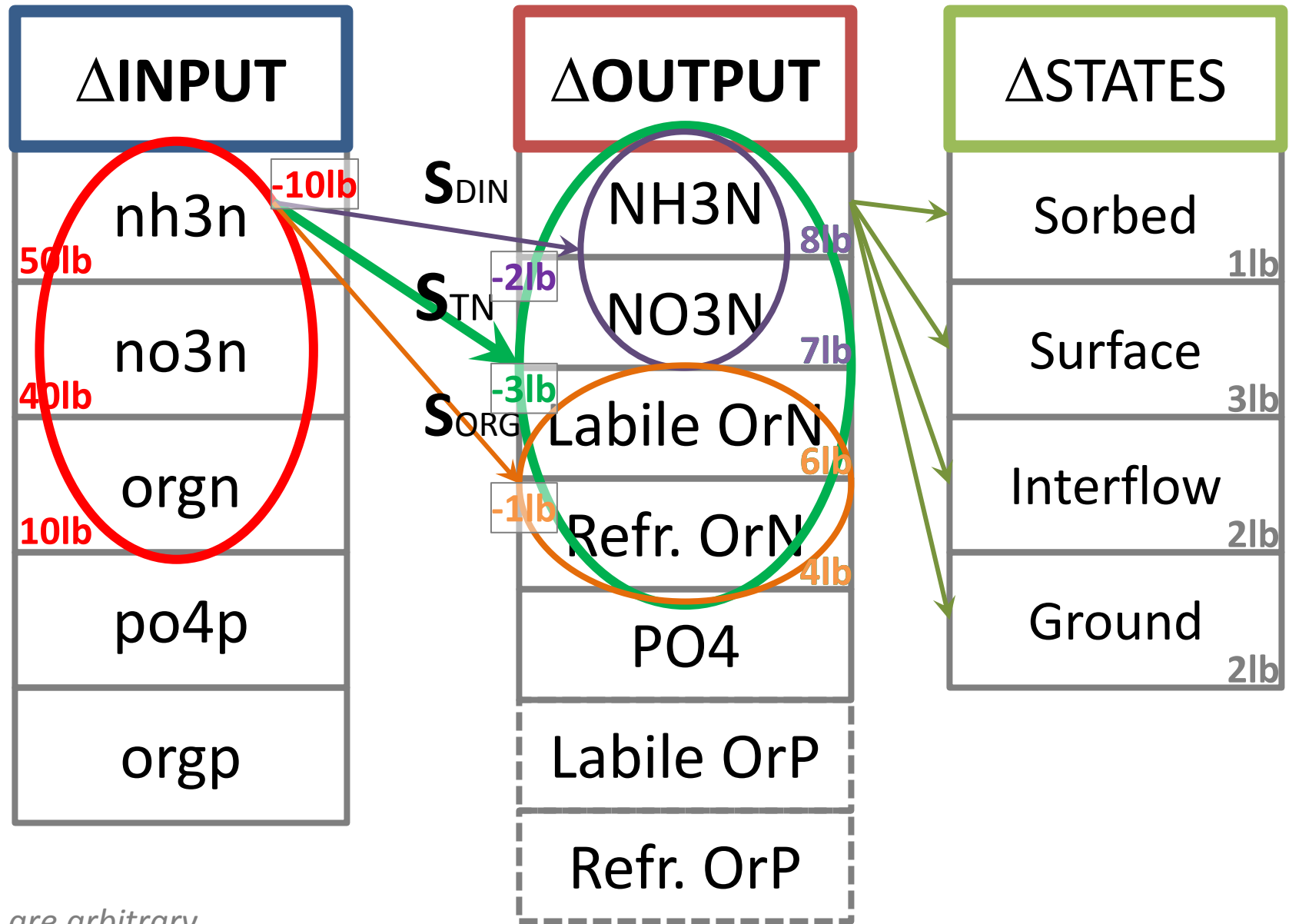
# Steps 1: EOF SNH3 Export – *Calibration vs. Baseline*



\* Here, flow is driving inter-annual differences in baseline export.

\* The differences in annual loads between the two scenario are due to adjustments to the PQUAL parameters.

## Step 2: Apply Sensitivities to *Baseline*





# Generalized Sensitivity Formulation

$$SENSITIVITY = S_{SRC,CON}$$

where,

*SRC* : *SOURCE* (*AtDep*, *Manure*, *Fertilizer*, *Legume*, *Uptake*, ...)

*CON* : *CONSTITUENTS* (*NH3*, *NO3*, *LON*, *RON*, *PO4*, *LOP*, *ROP*)

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$$OUT_{CON}^{SCEN} - OUT_{CON}^{CALIB} = \sum_J^{SRC} f(S_{J,CON}, IN_{J,CON}^{SCEN}, IN_{J,CON}^{CALIB}, OUT_{CON}^{CALIB}, Others)$$

# A Subroutine for Simple Sensitivity \*

$$OUT_{CON}^{SCEN} - OUT_{CON}^{CALIB} = \sum_J^{SRC} \left[ S_{J,CON} \times \left( IN_{J,CON}^{SCEN} - IN_{J,CON}^{CALIB} \right) \right]$$

SENSITIVITES											
ATDEP	lsegmt	NO3	NH3	LON	RON	PO4	mNH3	mNO3	mLON	mRON	mPO4
	A10001	1x0.43	1x0.43	2x0.012	2x0.012	3x0.1	D1	D1	D1	D1	D1
FERTILIZER	lsegmt	NO3	NH3	LON	RON	PO4	mNH3	mNO3	mLON	mRON	mPO4
	A10001	1x0.23	1x0.23	2x0.005	2x0.005	3x0.1	D1	D1	D1	D1	D1
LEGUME	lsegmt	NO3	NH3	LON	RON	PO4	mNH3	mNO3	mLON	mRON	mPO4
	A10001	1x0.41	1x0.41	2x0.009	2x0.009	3x0.1	D1	D1	D1	D1	D1
UPTAKE	lsegmt	NO3	NH3	LON	RON	PO4	mNH3	mNO3	mLON	mRON	mPO4
	A10001	1x-0.05	1x-0.05	2x0.006	2x0.006	3x0.1	D1	D1	D1	D1	D1

ΔINPUT (SCENARIO – CALIBRATION)					
apptyp	no3n	nh3n	orgn	po4p	orgp
atdep	-2.16E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
coverc	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
plow	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
fert	-3.27E+01	-9.82E+01	0.00E+00	1.23E+00	0.00E+00
manure	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
legume	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
uptake	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
muptak	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
reforg	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00

HAND CALCULATION		TOTAL_N	TOTAL_P
	ATDEP	-9.55E-01	0.00E+00
	FERTILIZER	-3.08E+01	1.23E-01
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>-31.72</b>	<b>0.12</b>

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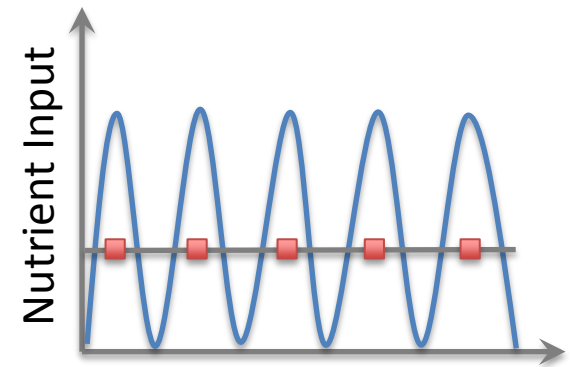
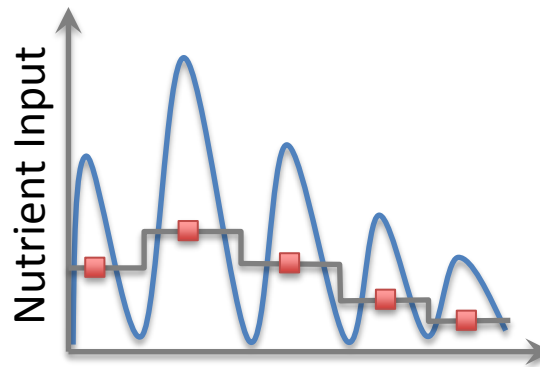
OUTPUT							
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qual1	state2	out_calib	1.93E+00	delta_out	-1.65E-01	pcent_delta	-0.0855
qual1	state3	out_calib	1.19E+01	delta_out	-1.02E+00	pcent_delta	-0.0855
qual1	state4	out_calib	1.19E+01	delta_out	-1.02E+00	pcent_delta	-0.0855
qual2	state2	out_calib	6.42E+00	delta_out	-5.49E-01	pcent_delta	-0.0855
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qual2	state4	out_calib	2.49E+02	delta_out	-2.13E+01	pcent_delta	-0.0855
qual3	state1	out_calib	6.26E-01	delta_out	-5.95E-03	pcent_delta	-0.0095
qual3	state2	out_calib	2.06E-02	delta_out	-1.95E-04	pcent_delta	-0.0095
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qual4	state2	out_calib	1.95E+00	delta_out	-1.85E-02	pcent_delta	-0.0095
qual4	state3	out_calib	2.47E+01	delta_out	-2.35E-01	pcent_delta	-0.0095
qual4	state4	out_calib	3.25E+01	delta_out	-3.09E-01	pcent_delta	-0.0095
qual5	state1	out_calib	3.86E+00	delta_out	2.29E-02	pcent_delta	0.0059
qual5	state2	out_calib	7.99E-01	delta_out	4.74E-03	pcent_delta	0.0059
qual5	state3	out_calib	1.60E+01	delta_out	9.47E-02	pcent_delta	0.0059
qual5	state4	out_calib	2.01E-01	delta_out	1.19E-03	pcent_delta	0.0059

# Conclusions: Sensitivity Prototype

- Calibration run was de-trended to create a baseline scenario to be used for running management scenarios.
- Sensitivity based accounting of nutrient export was implemented.
- Sensitivity algorithm was developed to offer maximum flexibility.
- Sensitivity code was verified.
- Code offers ability to incorporate appropriate sensitivity functions.

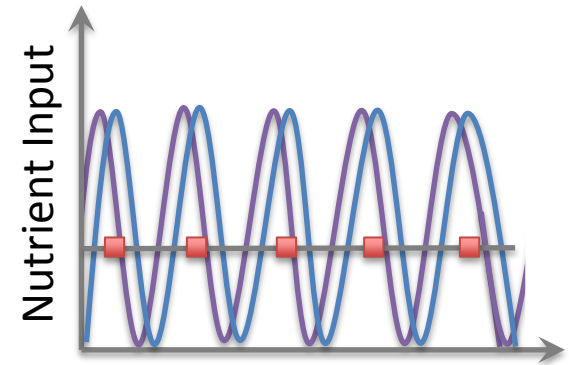
# Limitations of the Framework ...

- Currently PQUAL calibration does not account for seasonality of input (+/-)



- Export estimated from 'sensitivities' using this method would not be able to account for changes in input pattern, if any.

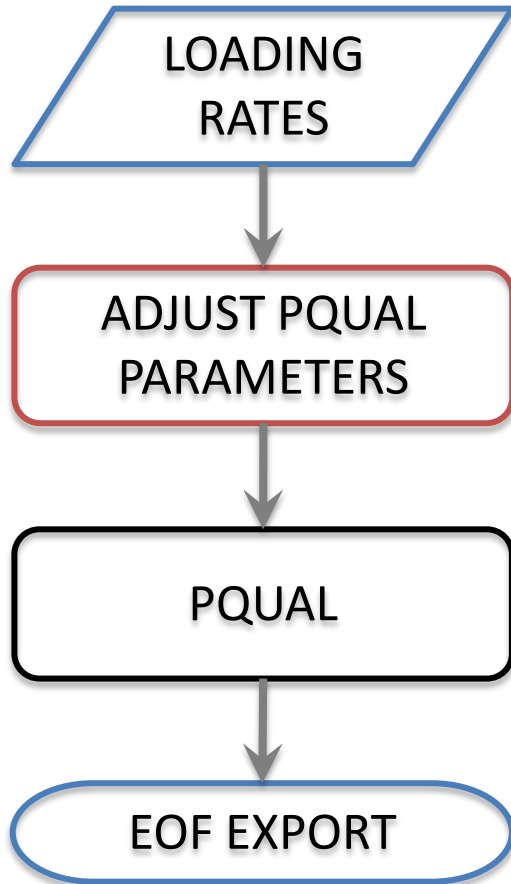
E.g., Fertilizer application in April vs. June



# Overview of an Alternative Approach

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# PQUAL Calibration

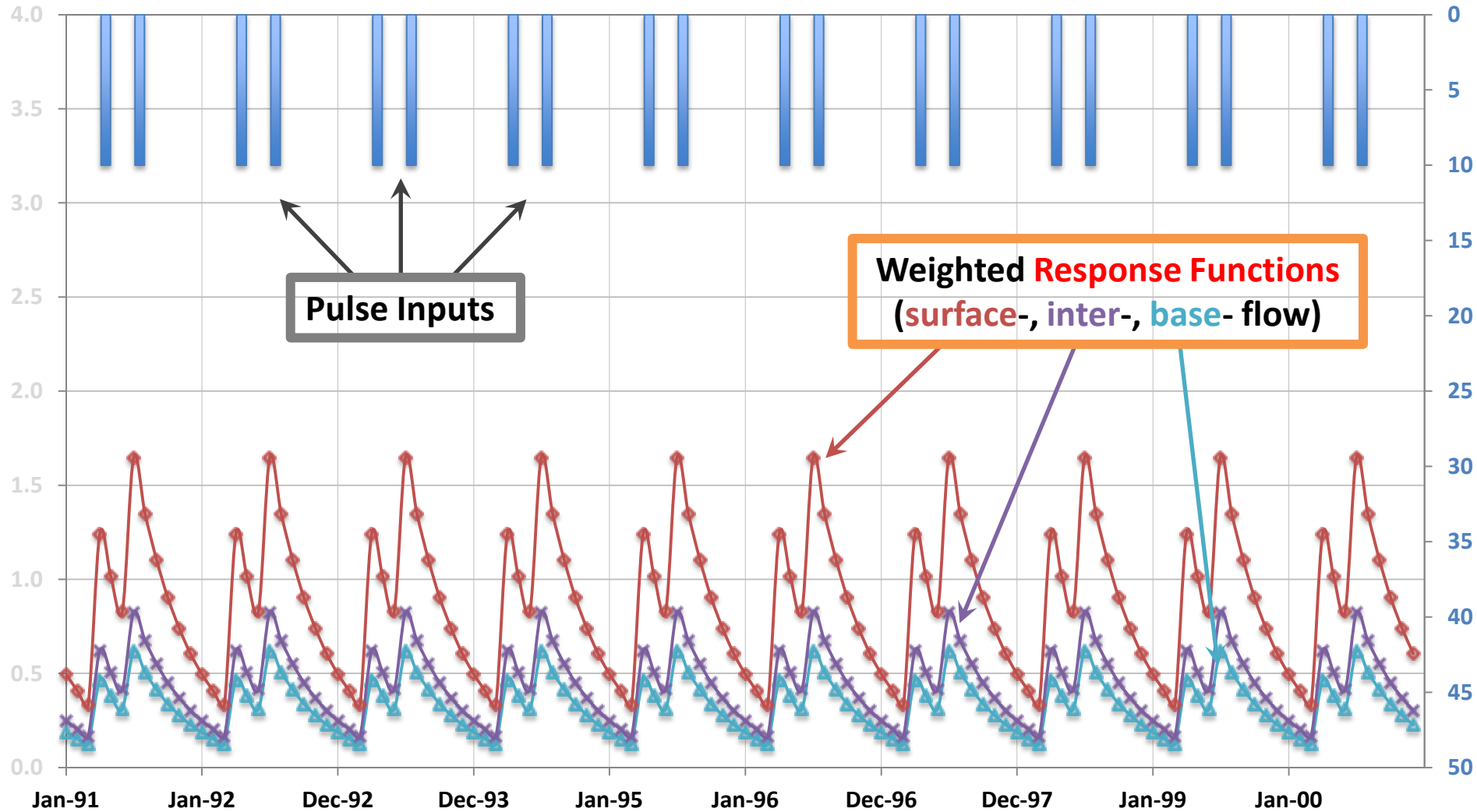


Currently PQUAL parameters are adjusted based on annual loads. Therefore simulated response do not see any intra-annual variability in input.

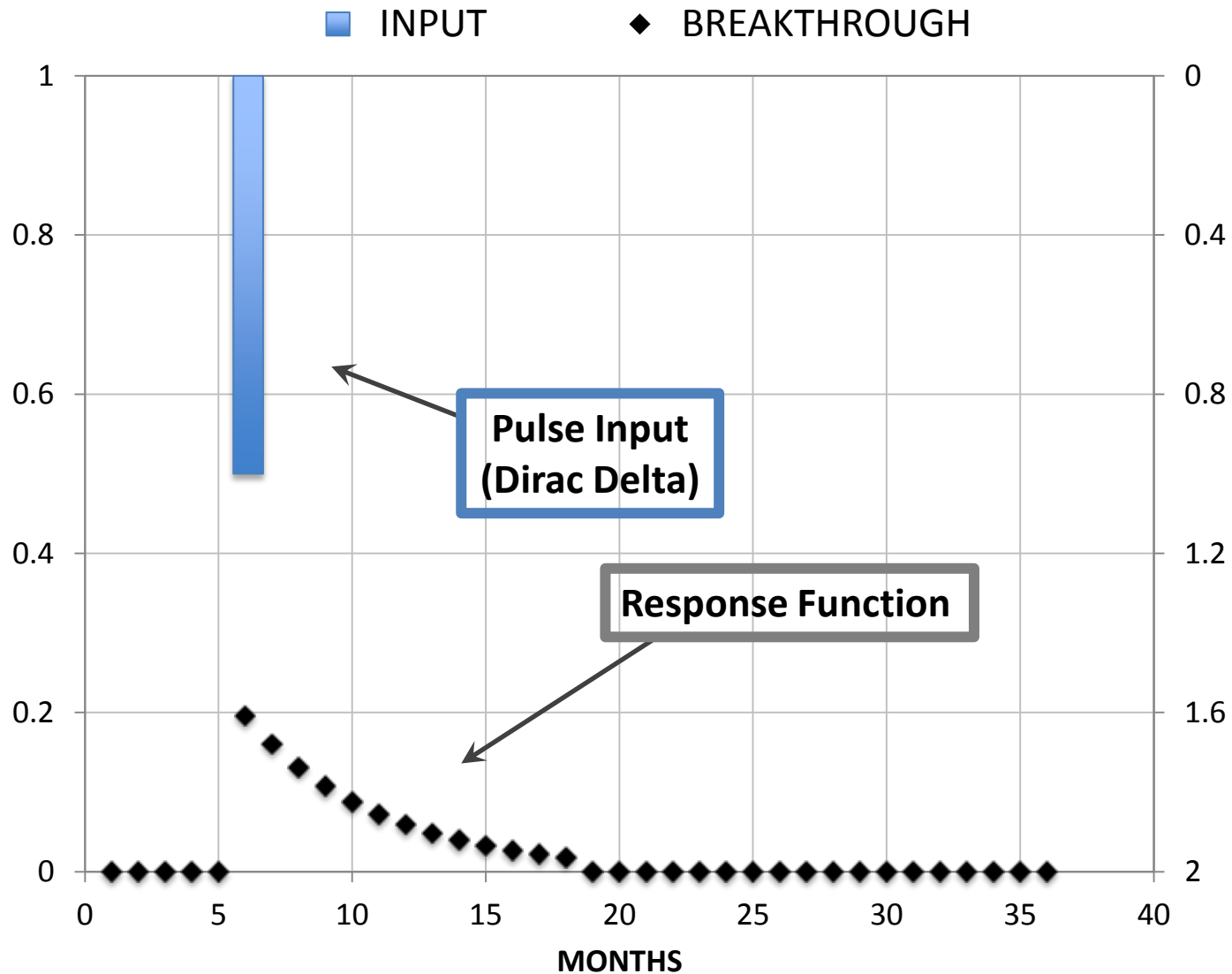
Shortening the time-scale (e.g., month) would help but we would not be able to account for memory of the system due to the lack of storage term.

**We need a new strategy!**

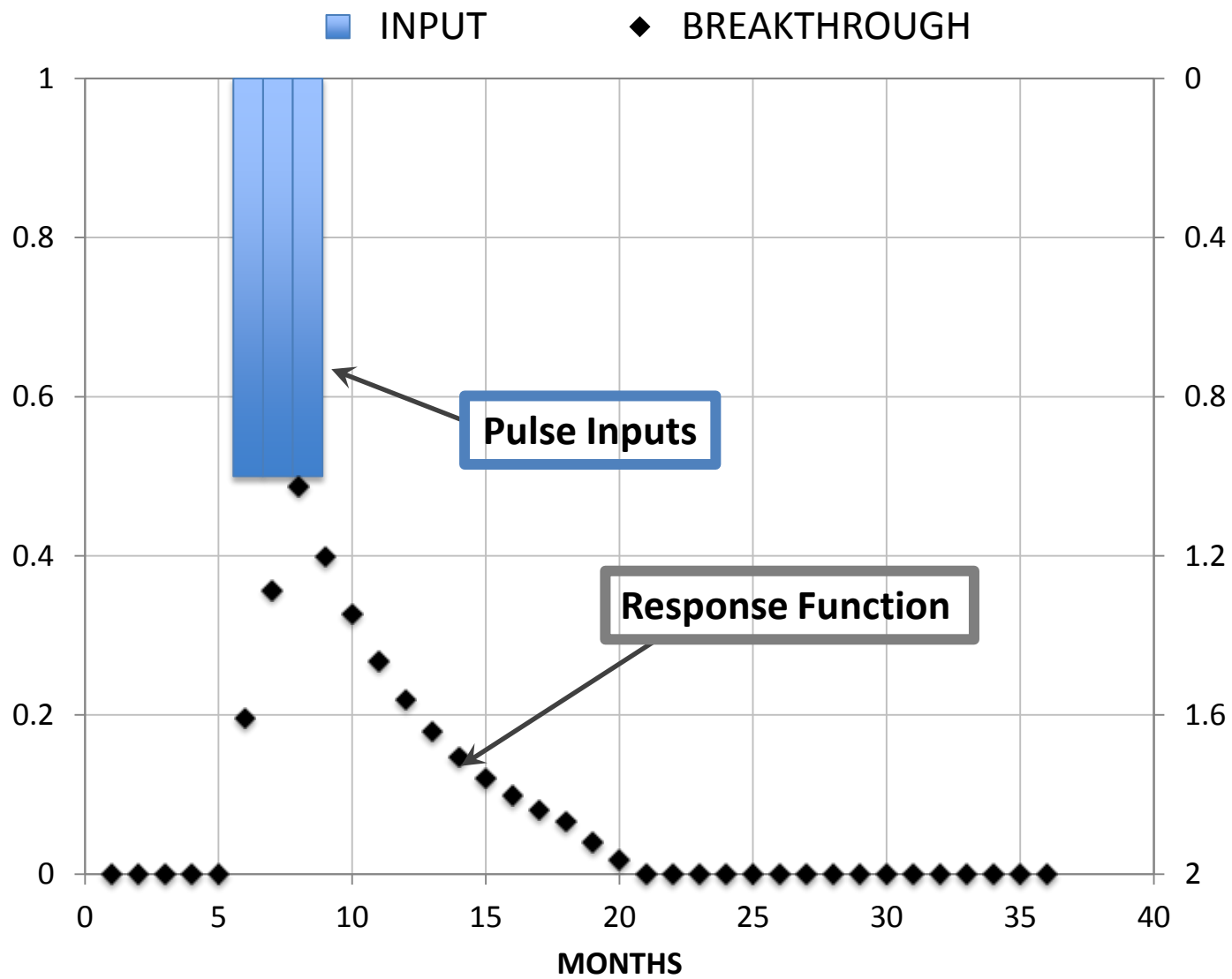
# A Simple Spreadsheet based Example ...

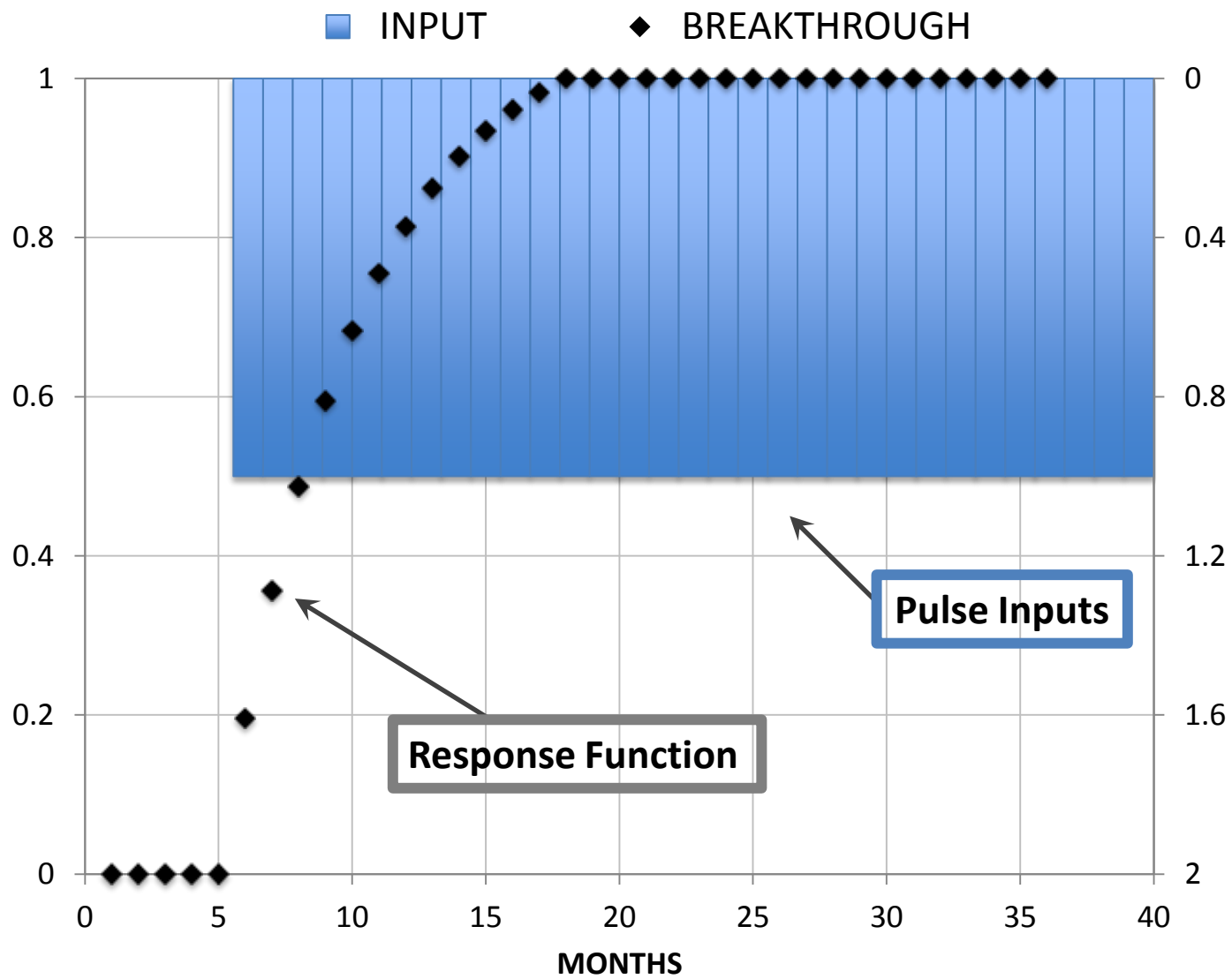


# Development & Testing of a Subroutine ...

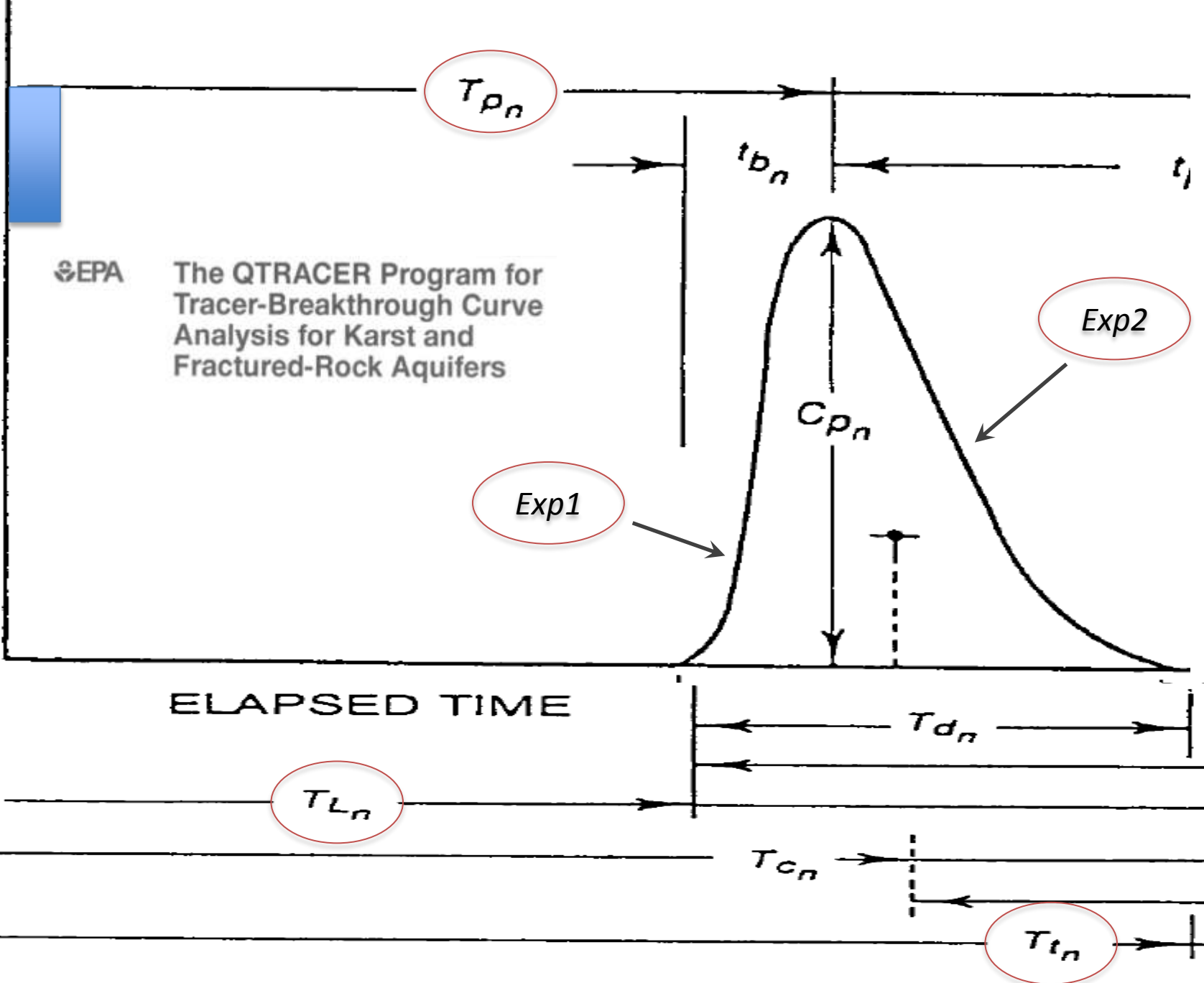


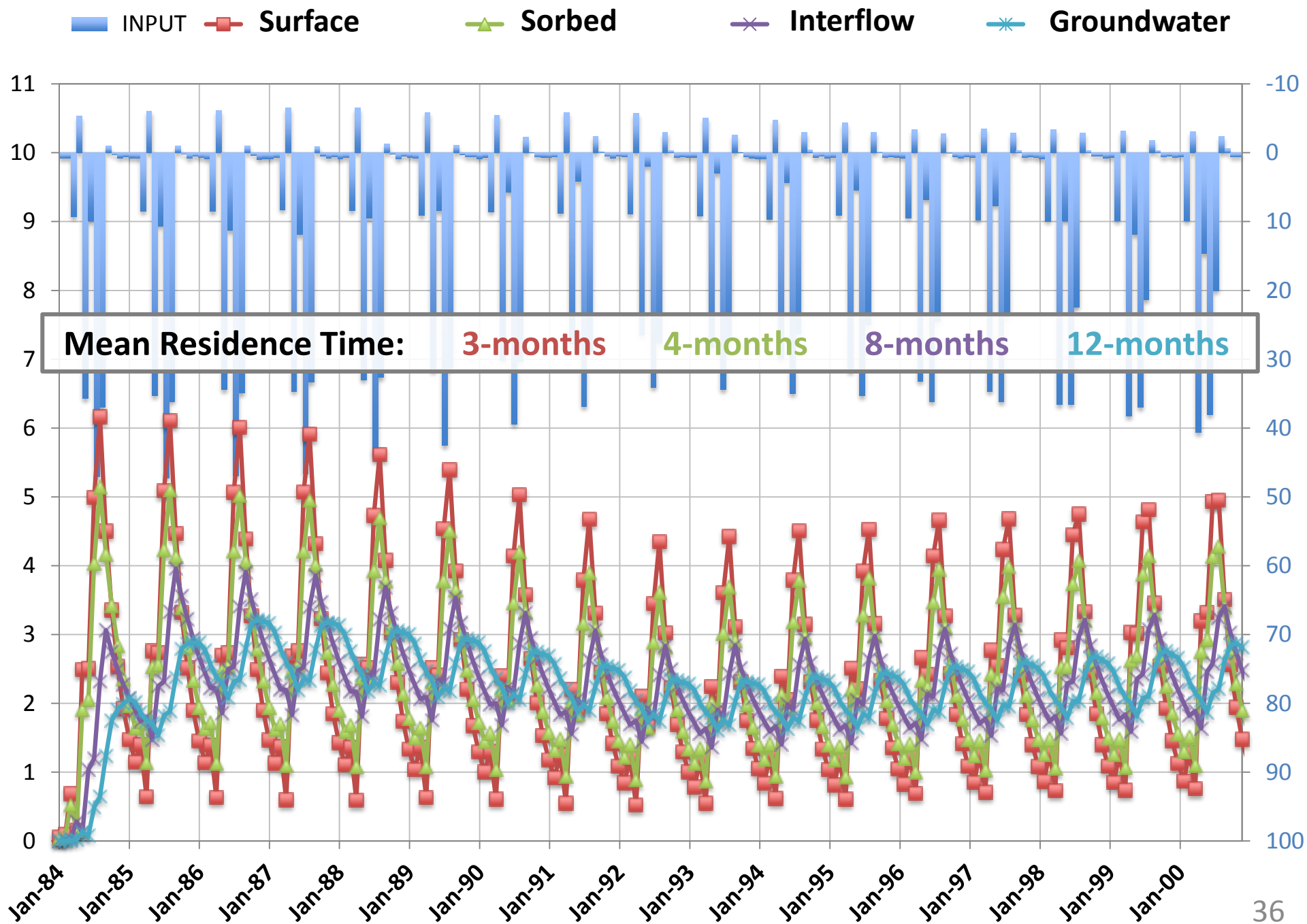






CONCENTRATION



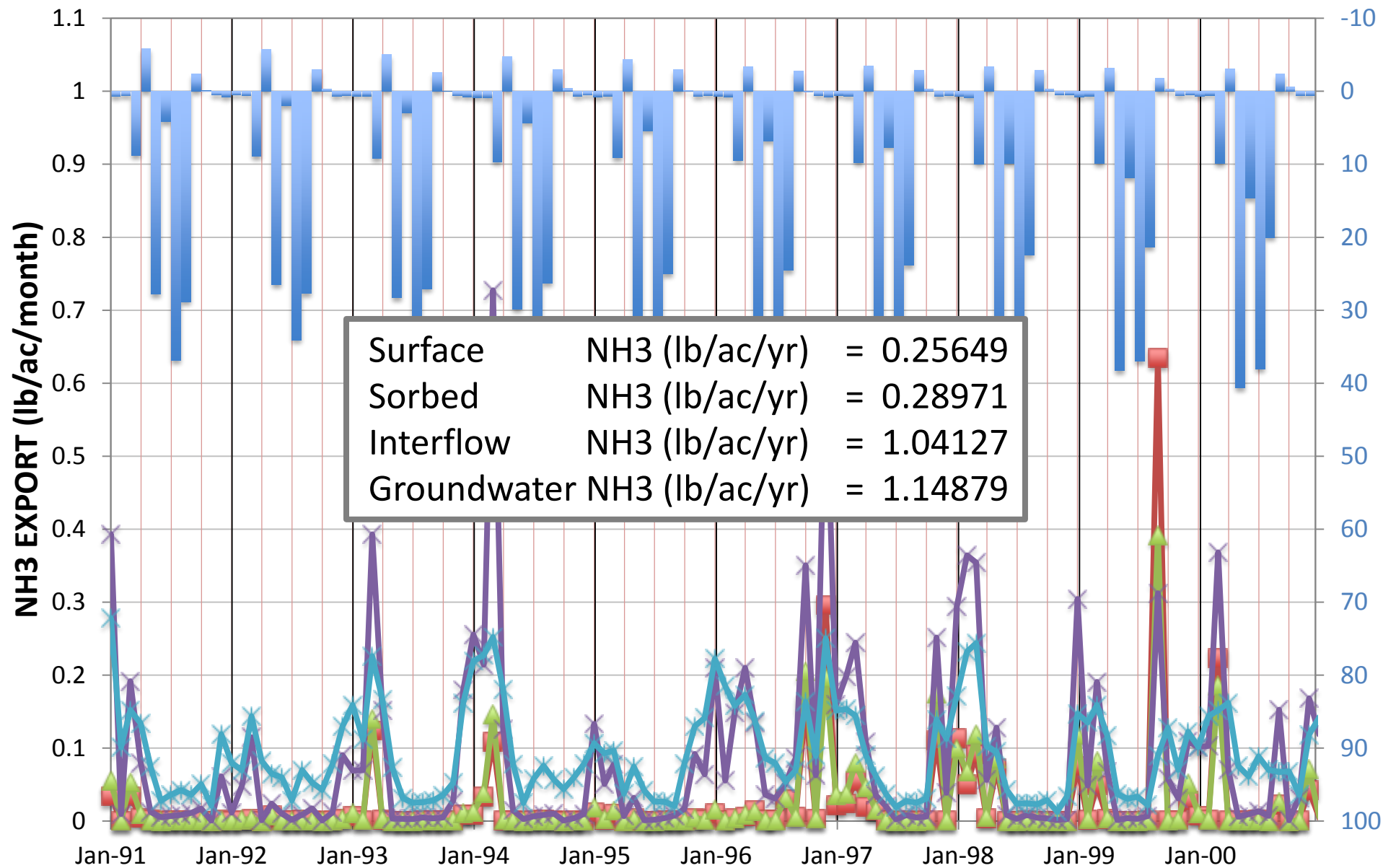


# Calibration : : A10001 HOM

high till w/o manure

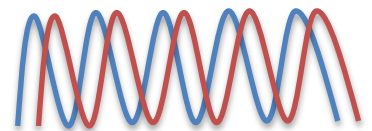
- EOF Export Targets:
  - Stormflow NH3 (lb/ac/yr) = 1.58748
  - Baseflow NH3 (lb/ac/yr) = 1.14879
- Flow (PWATER):
  - SURO (in/ac/yr) = 1.07687974
  - WSSD (tn/ac/yr) = 3.18039107
  - IFWO (in/ac/yr) = 3.50402546
  - AGWO (in/ac/yr) = 9.32850075

■ INPUT
 ■ Surface
 ▲ Sorbed
 ✕ Interflow
 ✱ Groundwater



# Advantages ...

- Proposed framework is simple, easy to understand; and offers accounting of management scenarios.
- Offers ability to incorporate evidence based understanding of the watershed response.
  - E.g., Sensitivity, Residence time
- Framework ensures consistency between long-term export estimated from 'sensitivity' and export from hourly outputs.
- Framework is directly related to inputs. It provides ability to handle scenarios with not only changes in application rate, but application pattern.



## Next Steps ...

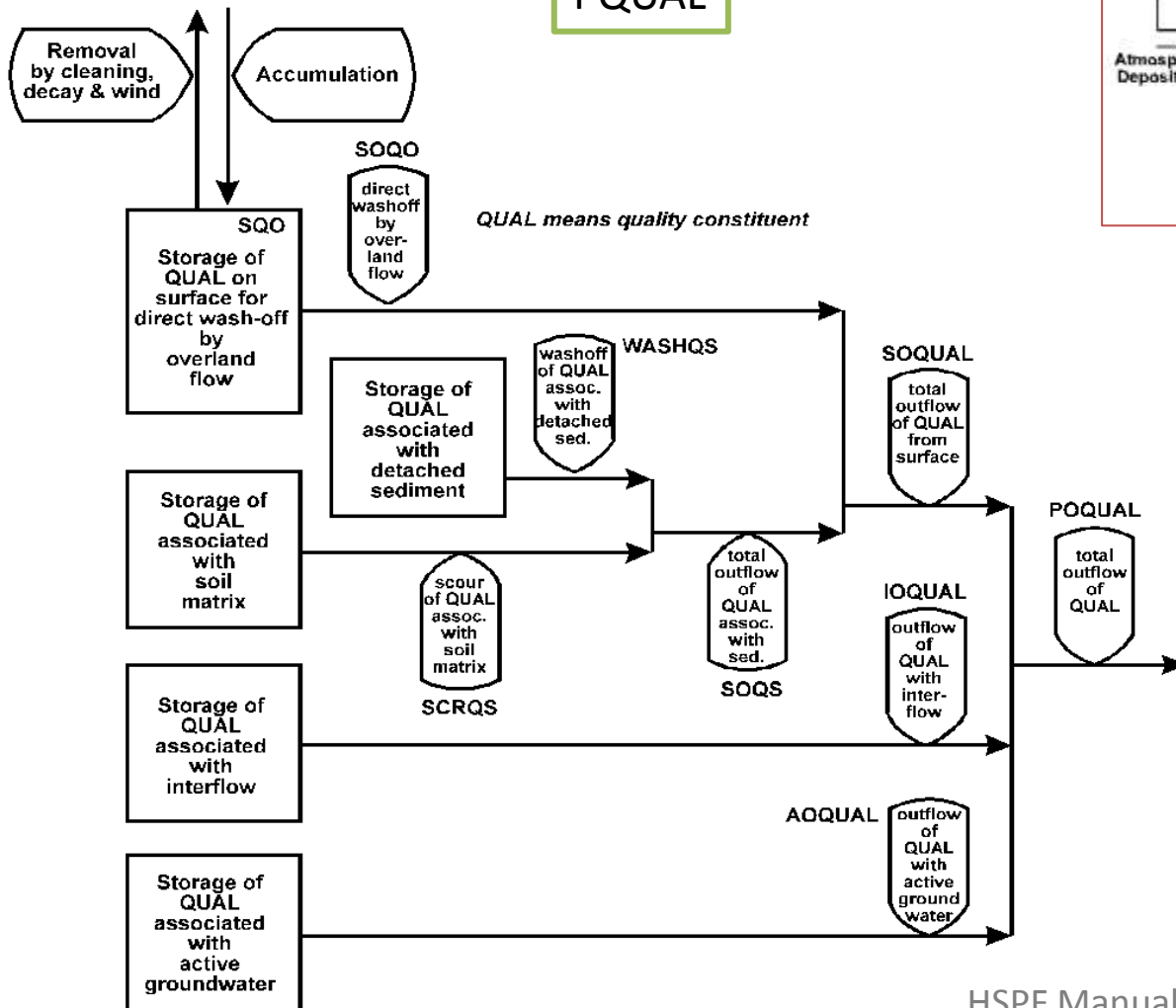
- Continue with the implementation of Breakthrough Curve (BTC) Approach.
- Combine sensitivities with BTC Approach for running management scenario.



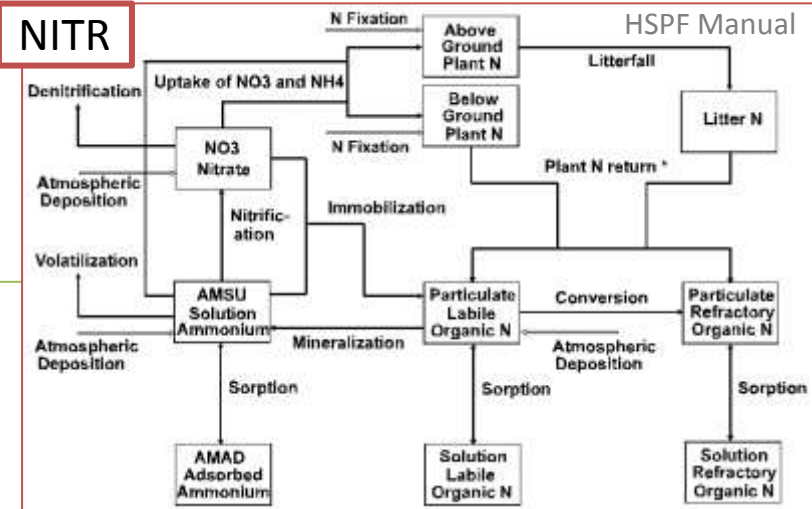


# Appendix A

PQUAL

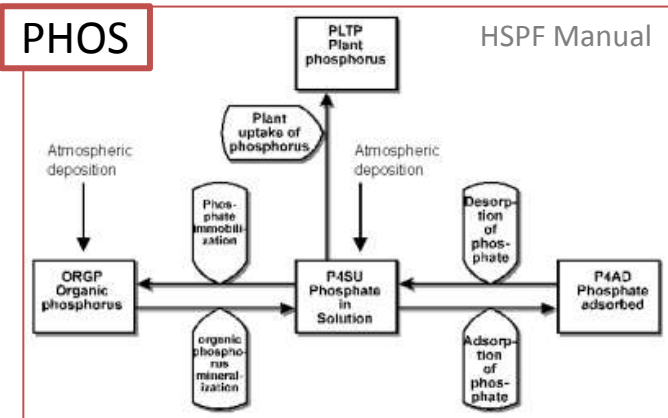


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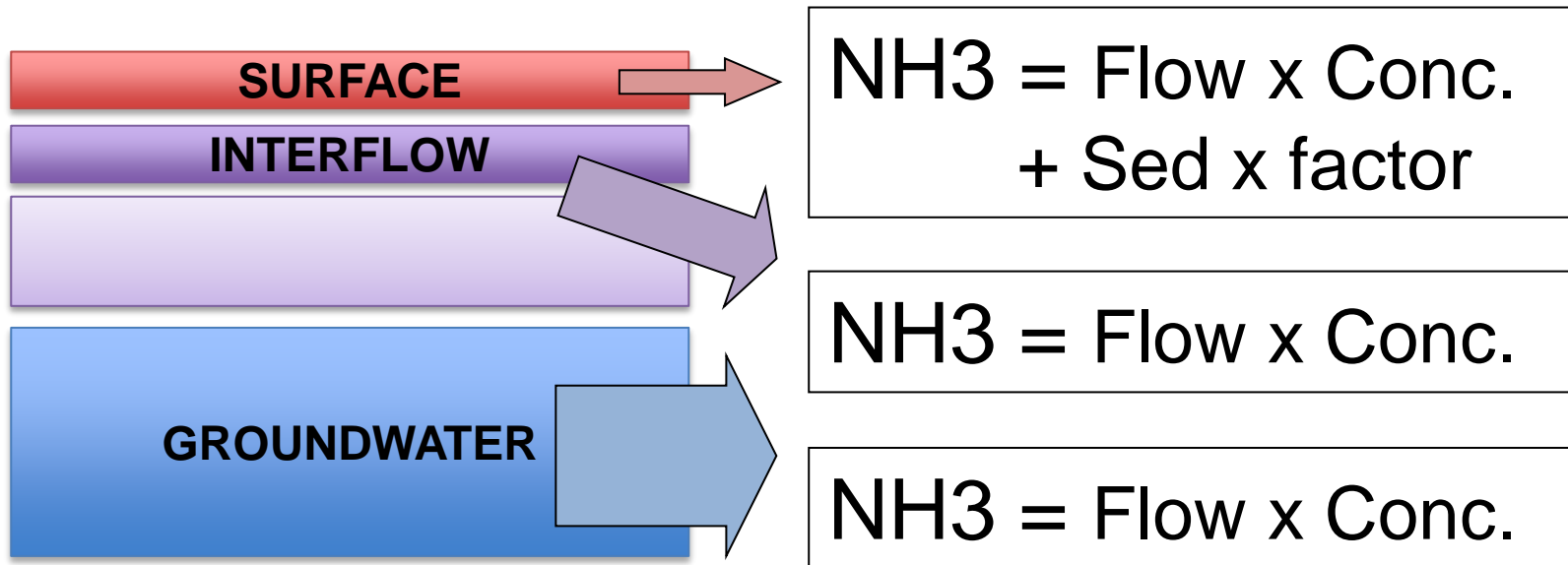
HSPF Manual

PHOS



HSPF Manual

$$\text{POQUAL} = \text{SOQUAL} + \text{IOQUAL} + \text{AOQUAL}$$



Adapted from Shenk, 2009

$$\text{SOQO} = \underline{\text{SQO}} \times [ 1.0 - \text{EXP} ( -\text{SURO} \times \text{WSFAC} ) ]$$

(susceptibility to washoff)

$$\text{SQO} = \underline{\text{ACQOP}} + \text{SQOS} \times [ 1 - \text{REMQOP} ]$$

(rate of accumulation)

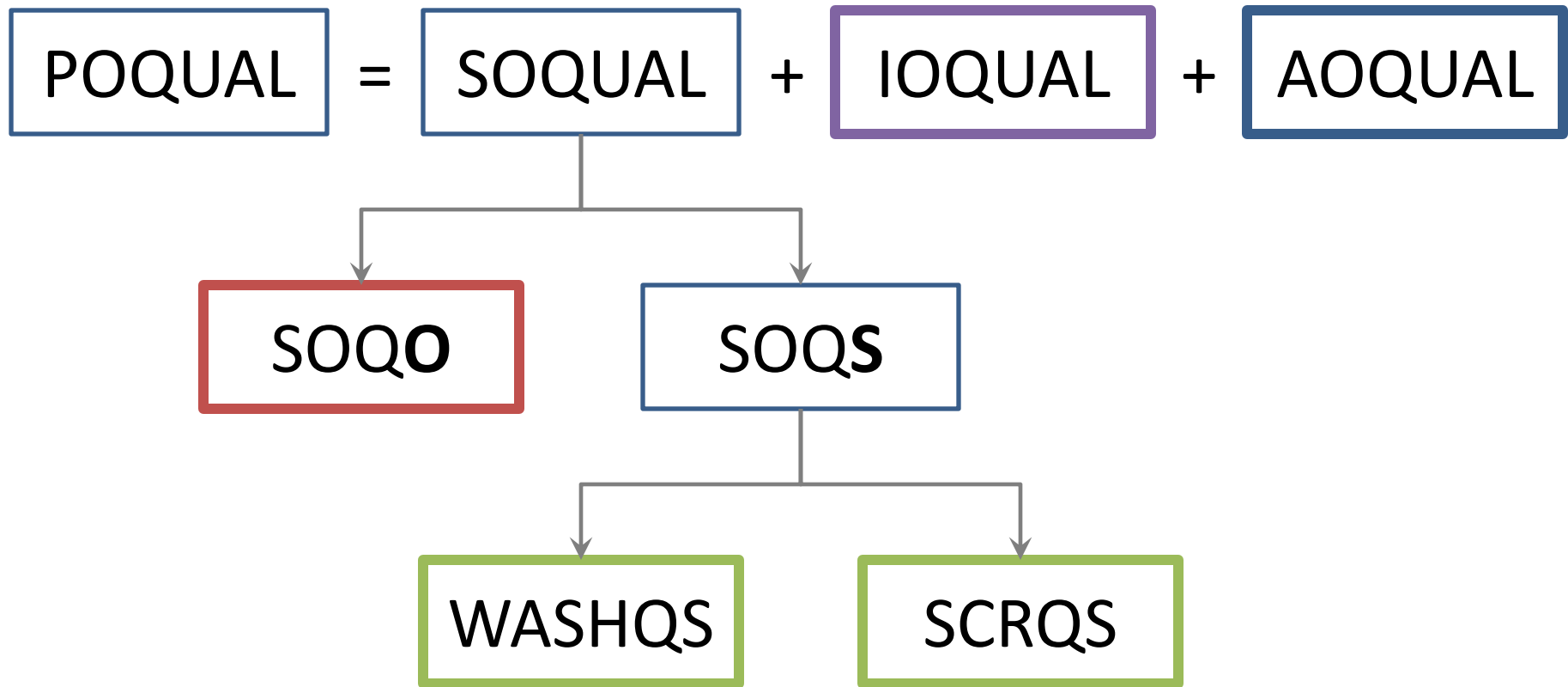
$$\text{WASHQS} = \text{WSSD} \times \underline{\text{POTFW}} \quad (\text{wash-off potency factor})$$

$$\text{SCRQS} = \text{SCRSD} \times \text{POTFS} \quad (\text{scour potency factor})$$

$$\text{IOQUAL} = \text{IFWO} \times \underline{\text{IOQC}}$$

$$\text{AOQUAL} = \text{AGWO} \times \underline{\text{AOQC}}$$

# Total Outflow of Water Quality Constituent (P<sup>O</sup>QUAL)



$$\text{SOQO} = \text{SQO} \times [ 1.0 - \text{EXP} ( -\text{SURO} \times \text{WSFAC} ) ]$$

(susceptibility to washoff)

$$\text{SQO} = \underline{\text{ACQOP}} + \text{SQOS} \times [ 1 - \text{REMQOP} ]$$

(rate of accumulation)

SOQS (total sediment associated flux of the constituent) = WASHQS (removal of constituents by detached sediment washoff) + SCRQS (removal of constituents by scouring of soil matrix)

$$\text{WASHQS} = \text{WSSD} \times \underline{\text{POTFW}} \quad (\text{wash-off potency factor})$$

$$\text{SCRQS} = \text{SCRSD} \times \text{POTFS} \quad (\text{scour potency factor})$$

$$\text{IOQUAL} = \text{IFWO} \times \underline{\text{IOQC}}$$

$$\text{AOQUAL} = \text{AGWO} \times \underline{\text{AOQC}}$$

# PQUAL based Scenarios in Phase 5.3.2

Adjust PQUAL Parameters:

## 1. for changes in Total Application Rate (Input)

$$\text{Scenario Avg Parameter} = \frac{\text{Calibration Avg Parameter}}{2} \cdot \frac{\text{Scenario Avg Ann Application}}{\text{Calibration Avg Ann Application}} + \frac{\text{Scenario Avg Ann Application}}{\text{Calibration Avg Ann Application}}$$

**2x Application translates to 1.5x Nutrient Export**

## 2. for changes in Annual Application Rate in scenario

$$\text{Scenario Parameter } Y = \frac{\text{Scenario Avg Parameter}}{2} \cdot \frac{\text{Scenario } Y \text{ Application}}{\text{Scenario Avg Ann Application}} + \frac{\text{Scenario } Y \text{ Application}}{\text{Scenario Avg Ann Application}}$$

Linear annual scaling of PQUAL parameters

## Appendix B: Expanded Formulation ...

A →

$$OUT_{CON}^{SCEN} - OUT_{CON}^{CALIB} = \sum_J^{SRC} [S_{J,CON} \times (IN_{J,CON}^{SCEN} - IN_{J,CON}^{CALIB})]$$

B →

$$OUT_{CON}^{SCEN} - OUT_{CON}^{CALIB} = \sum_J^{SRC} [S_{J,CON} \times IN_{J,CON}^{SCEN}] - OUT_{CON}^{CALIB}$$

C →

...

SRC (J) ∈ [A,V,P,F,M,L,T,U,R]

- Above methods that are **exclusive** to each other.
- A method switch will be assigned a-priori

*For a constituent compute percentage change in yield.*

*At time = t, apply the percent change to baseline yield.*

E.g. hom atdep sensitivity.csv

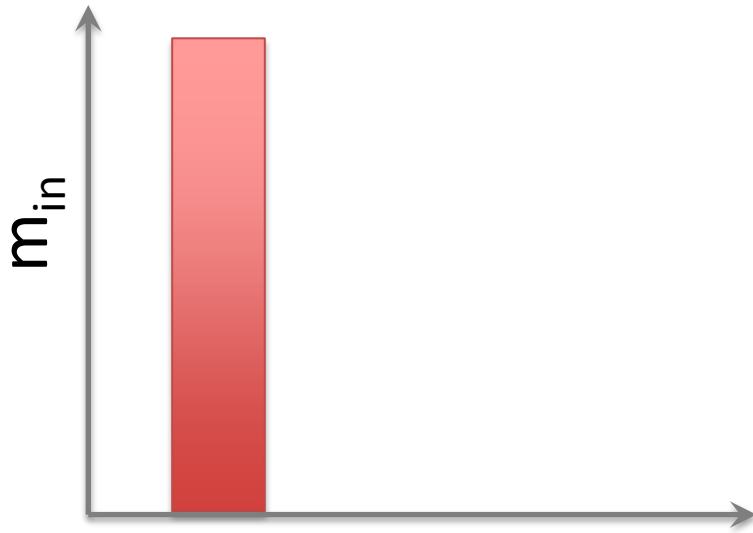
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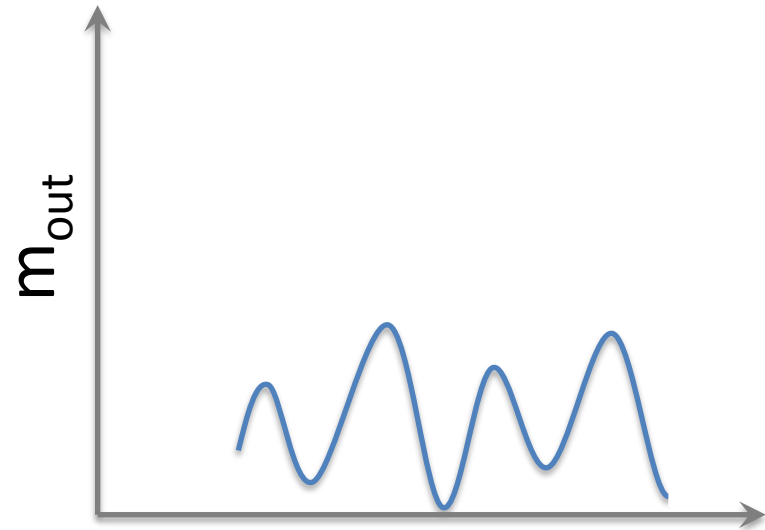
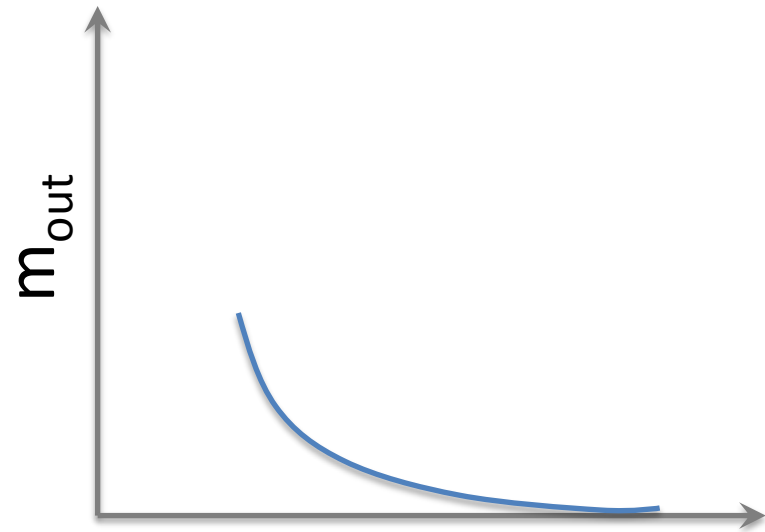
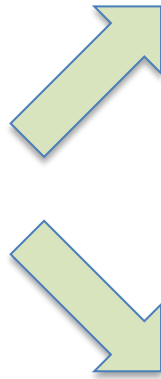
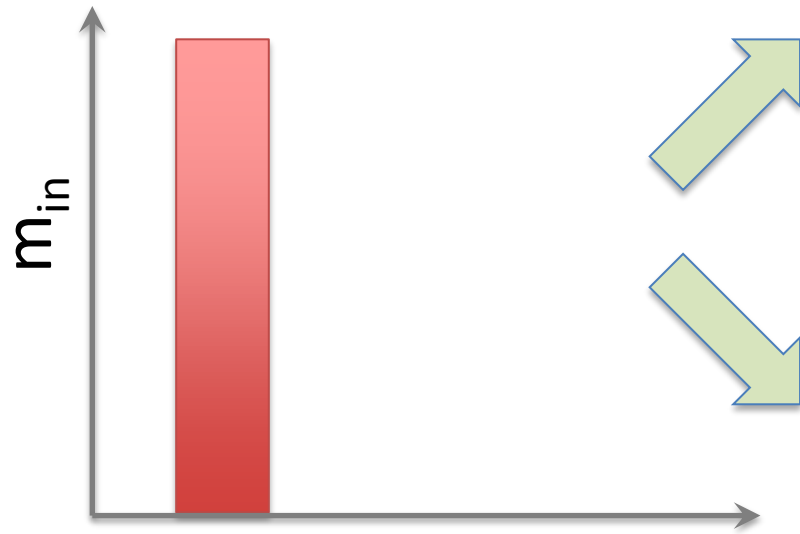
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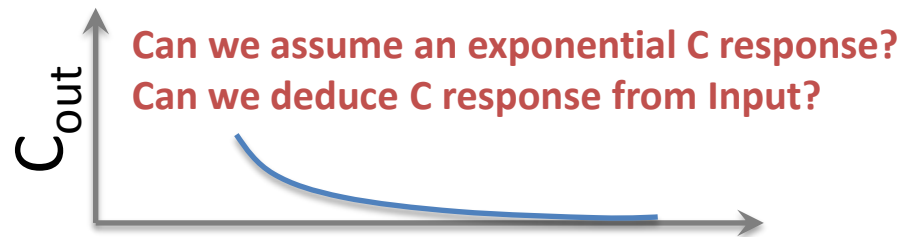
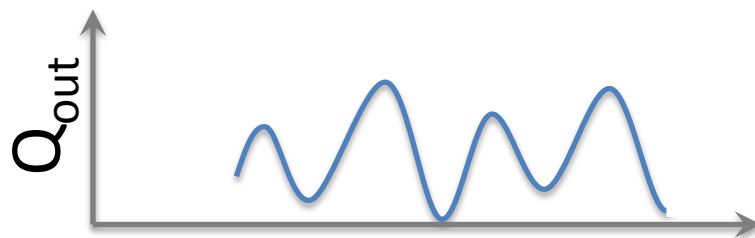
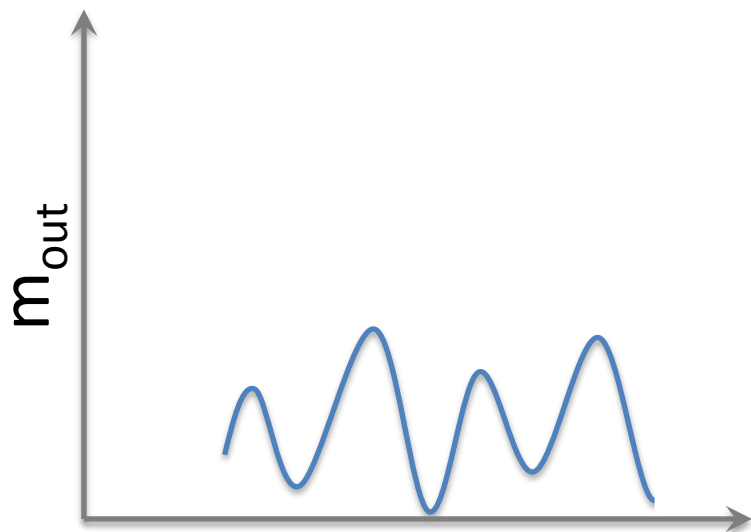
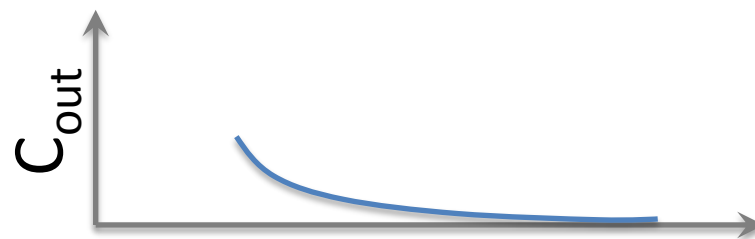
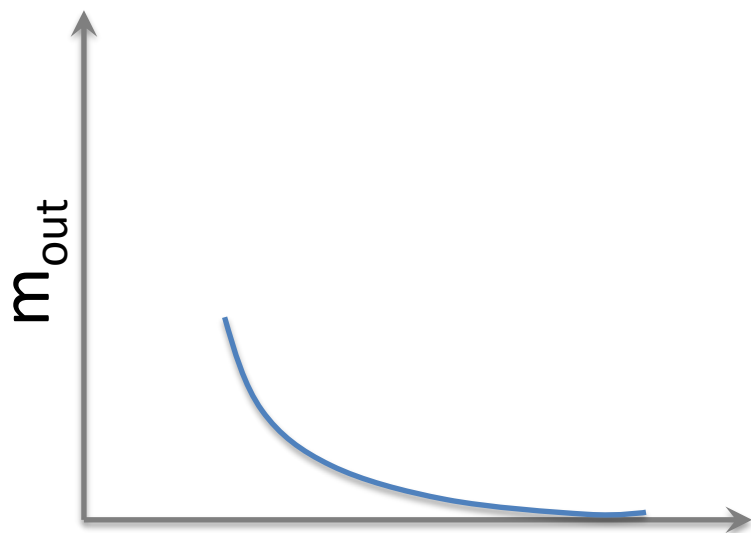
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# Appendix C









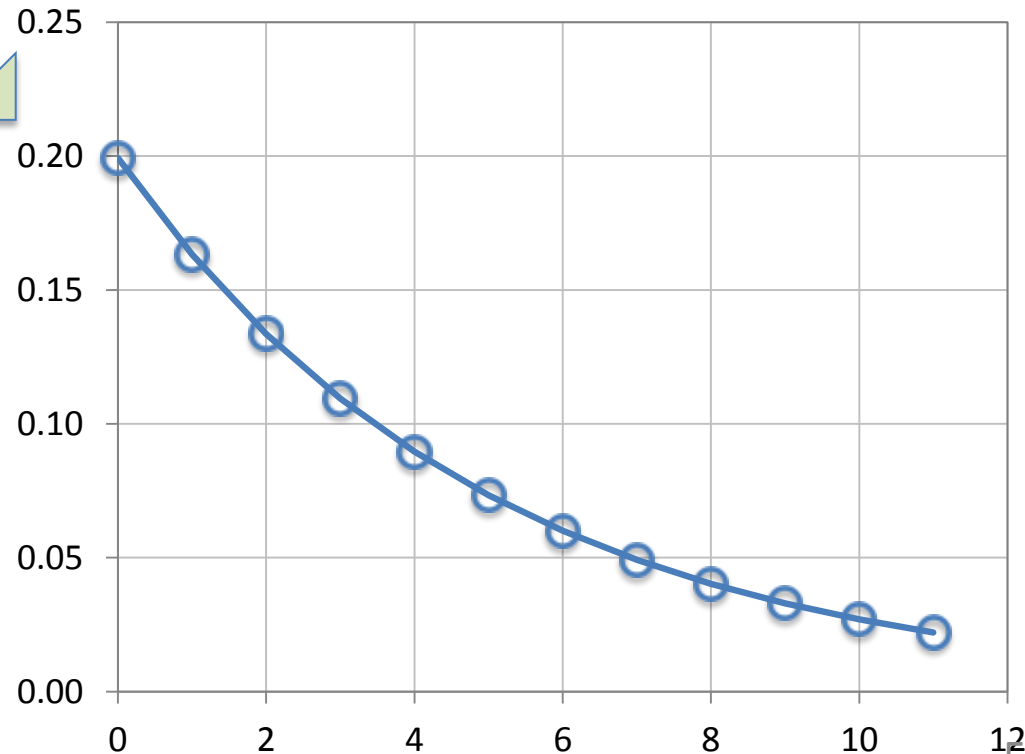
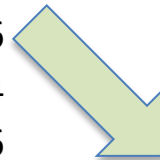
# Appendix D: Breakthrough Curve Formulation ...

At any given time,  $t = T$

$$C_{t=T} = \int_{t=0}^{t=T} I_t \cdot \left( \frac{K_1}{K_2} \cdot \exp\{K_2 \cdot (t - T)\} \right) dt = K_1 \cdot f_T$$

where,  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are LU-based parameter

Memory	Response Fn.	Normalized
0	1.0000	0.1994
1	0.8187	0.1632
2	0.6703	0.1336
3	0.5488	0.1094
4	0.4493	0.0896
5	0.3679	0.0733
6	0.3012	0.0600
7	0.2466	0.0492
8	0.2019	0.0402
9	0.1653	0.0330
10	0.1353	0.0270
11	0.1108	0.0221
		<b>1.0000</b>



$$M_{out} = \int_{t=0}^{t=H} M_t = \int_{t=0}^{t=H} Q_t \cdot C_t$$

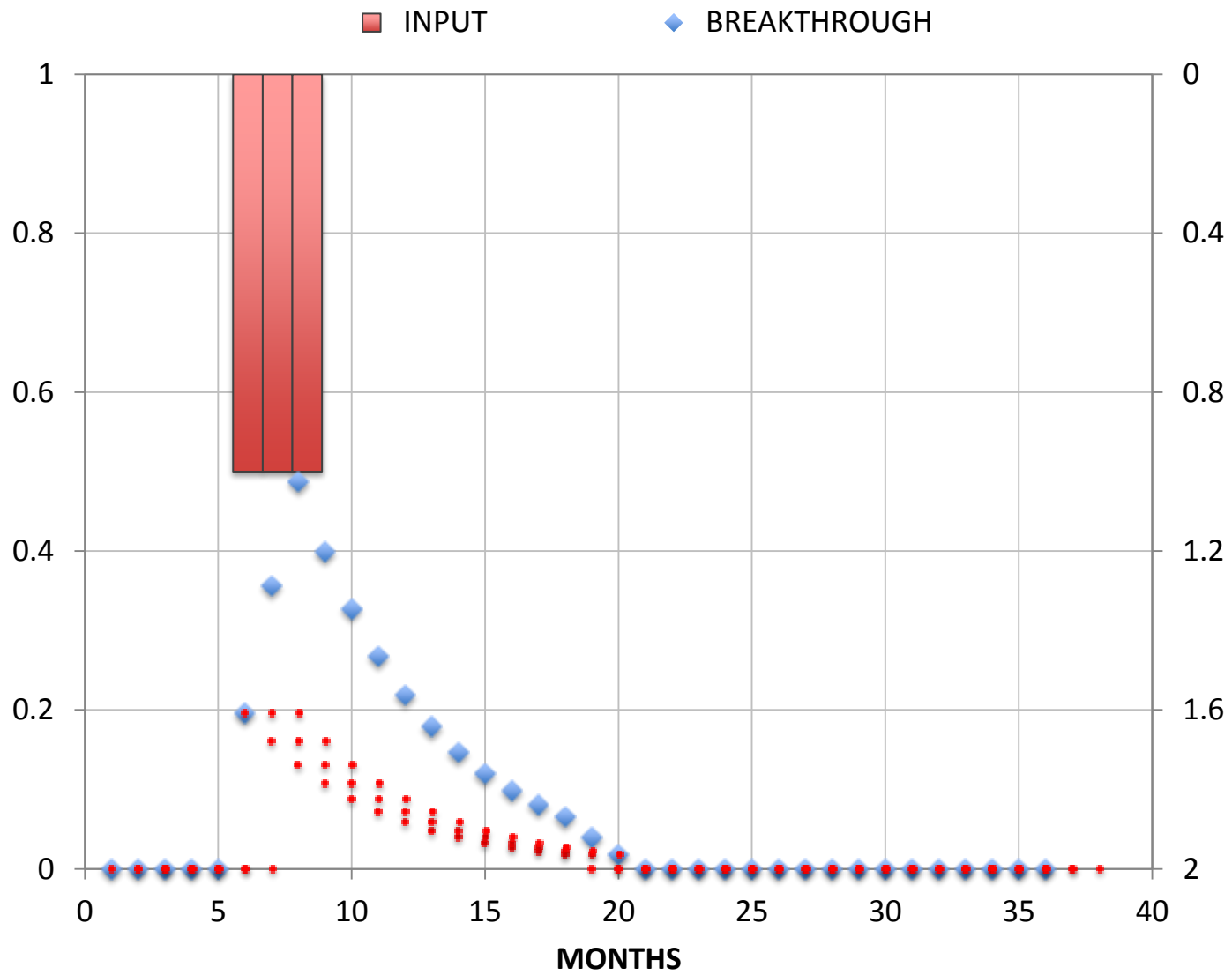
e.g.,  $t = 01/01/1991 \ 01:00$  to  $12/31/2000 \ 24:00$

*Assuming we know the distribution of  $C$  a-priori, based on Inputs*

$$M_{out} = \int_{t=0}^{t=H} Q_t \cdot K_1 f_t = K_1 \int_{t=0}^{t=H} Q_t \cdot f_t$$

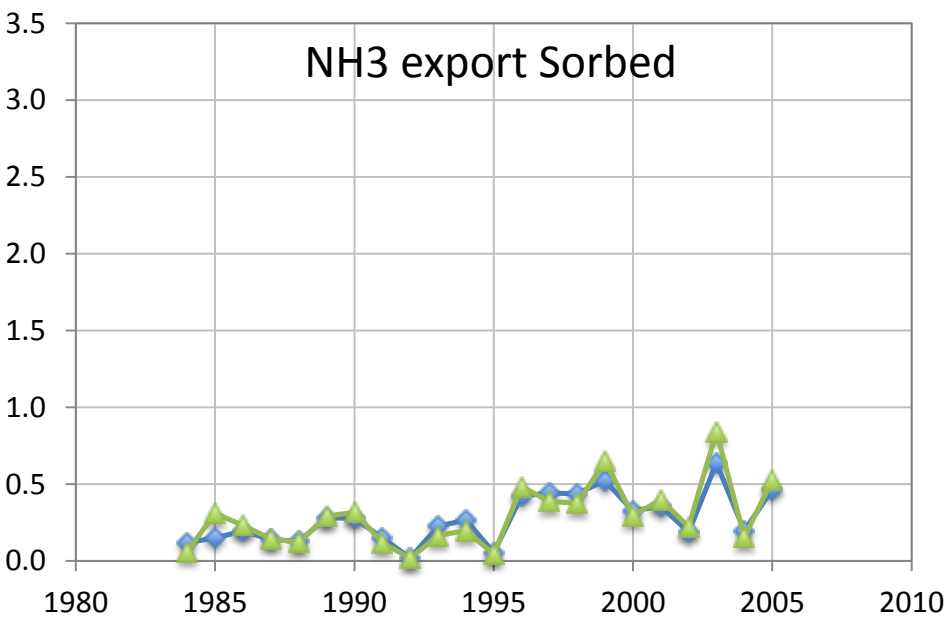
$$K_1 = \frac{M_{out}}{\int_{t=0}^{t=H} Q_t \cdot f_t}$$

$$K_1 = \frac{(EOF \ target, \ lb / ac / yr)}{\int_{t=0}^{t=H} Q_t \cdot f_t / (H / (365 \cdot 24))}$$

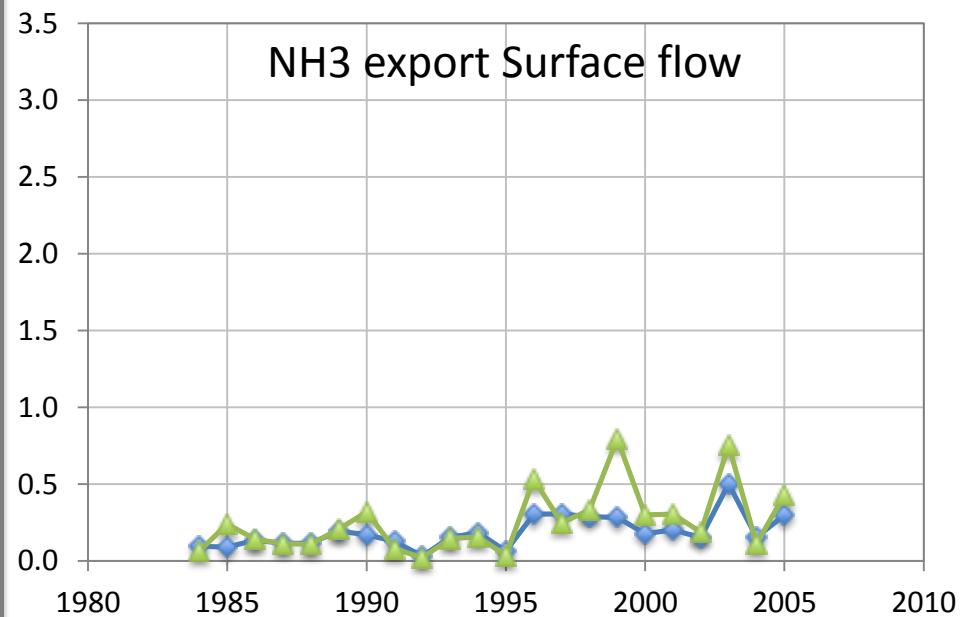


## **Appendix E: PQUAL vs. Breakthrough Curve ...**

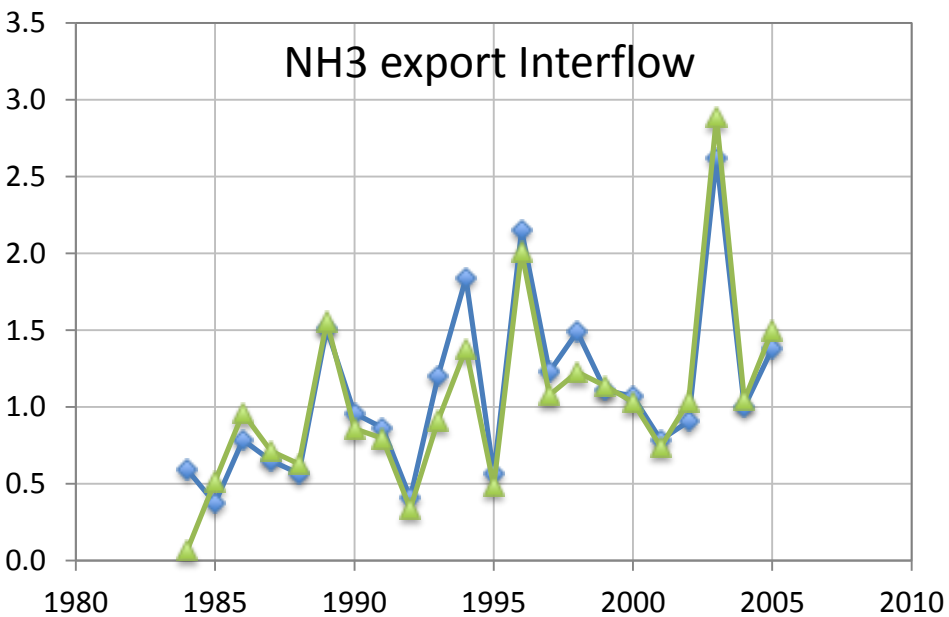
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