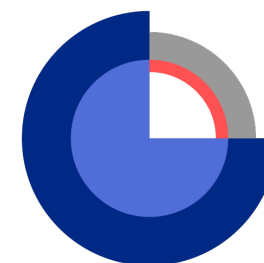


T-REX WP3

Spatially differentiated N-retention within ID15 catchments



N-Retention

- focus on clay dominated – shallow dynamic systems

- Spatial variation in drain fraction and riparian overland flow

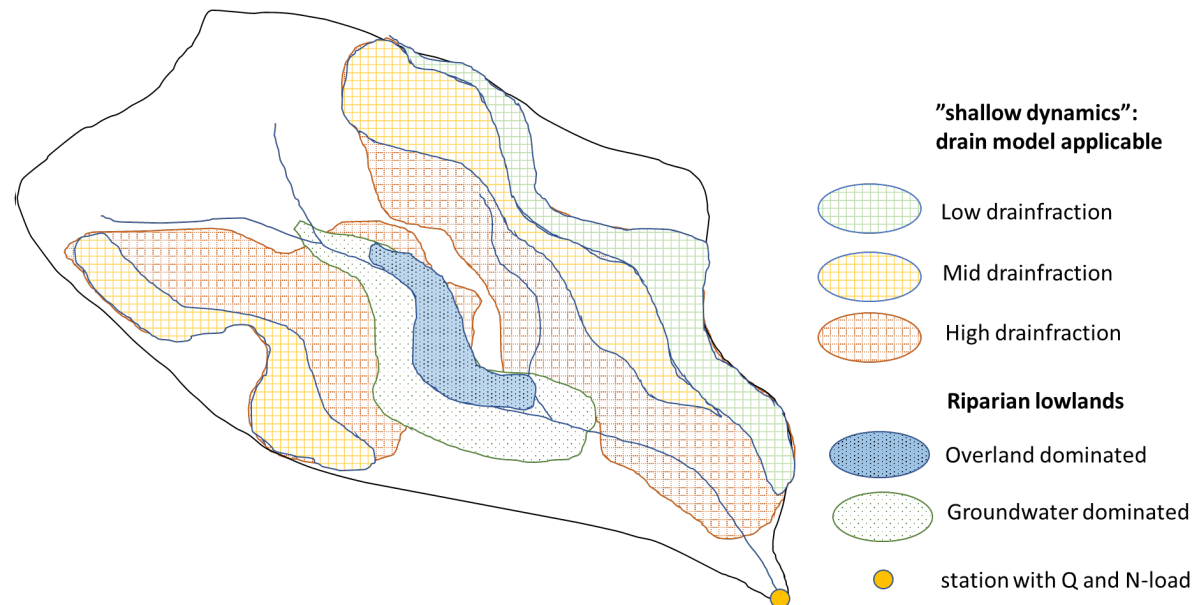


Figure 1. Concept of the application of the drain model to an ID15 catchment.

- Goal:
- Mapping variation in drain fraction within ID15 catchments
- Mapping variation in overland flow fraction in riparian zones
- Improve representation of drain flow in the DK-Model/N-Model
- Improve mapping of N-retention potential and its components
- Better impact assessment and optimization of N-reduction measured



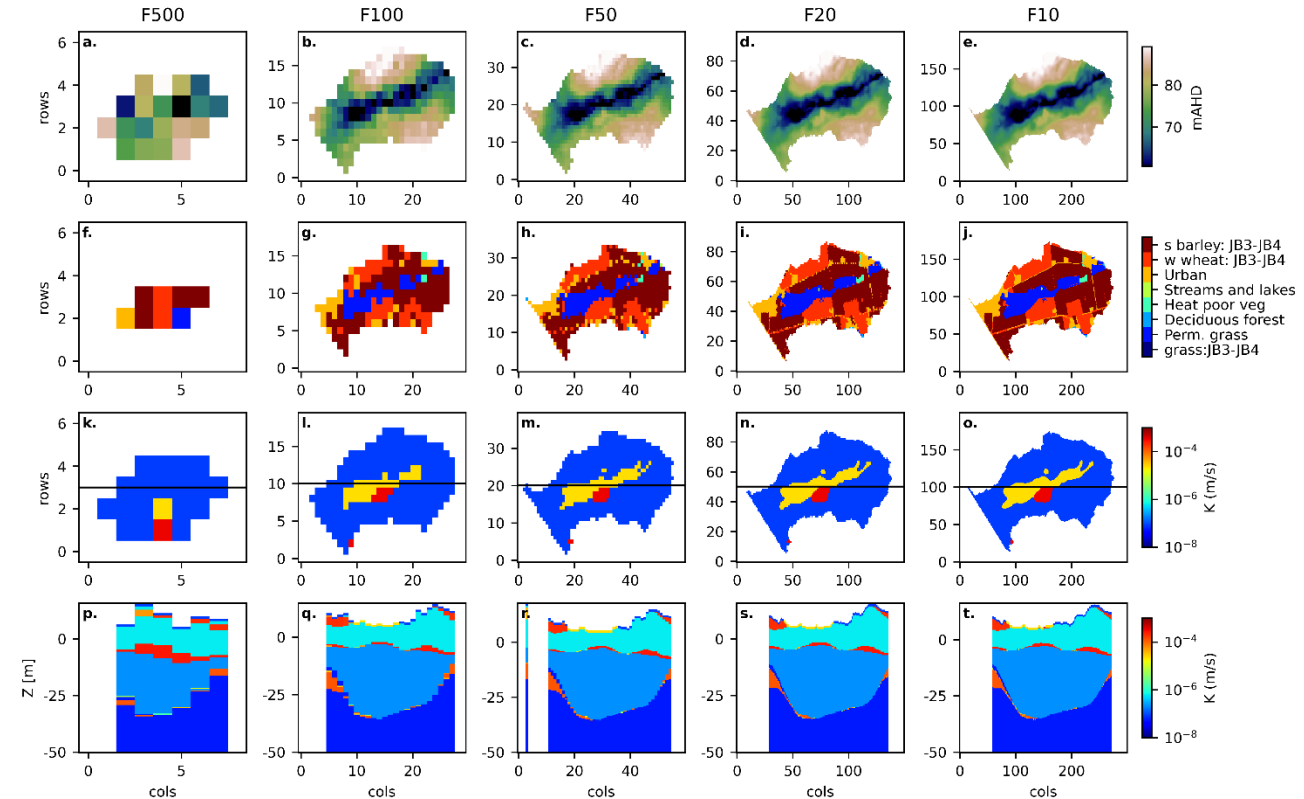
Methods

Precondition:

- Coarse-scale physically-based flow models
 - We don't expect to represent the processes correctly
- Small observational data sets
 - We cannot make empirical prediction models

Solution:

- Fine-scale physically-based flow models
 - Cal/val against observation data
- Model-generated training data
 - Assuming we can represent the processes right at high resolution
 - Produces large amounts of data
- Machine learning as a tool to build prediction models based on large datasets



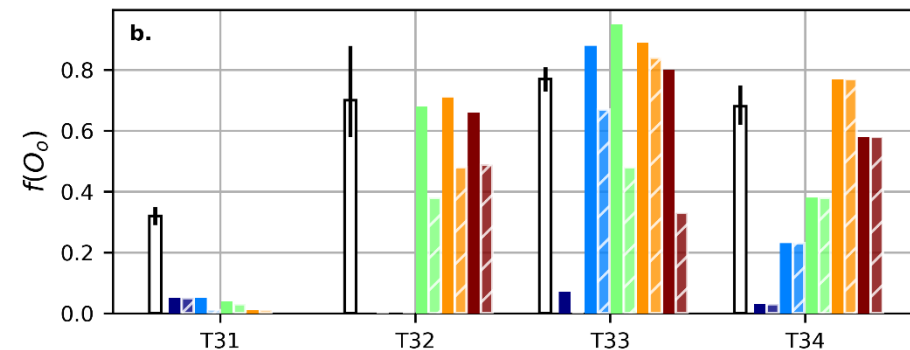
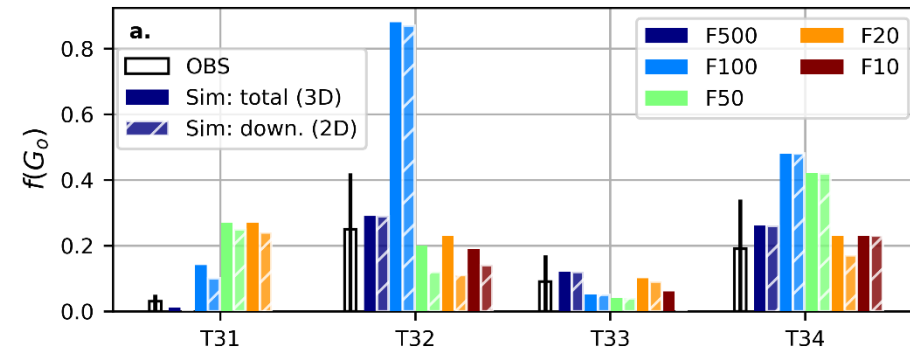
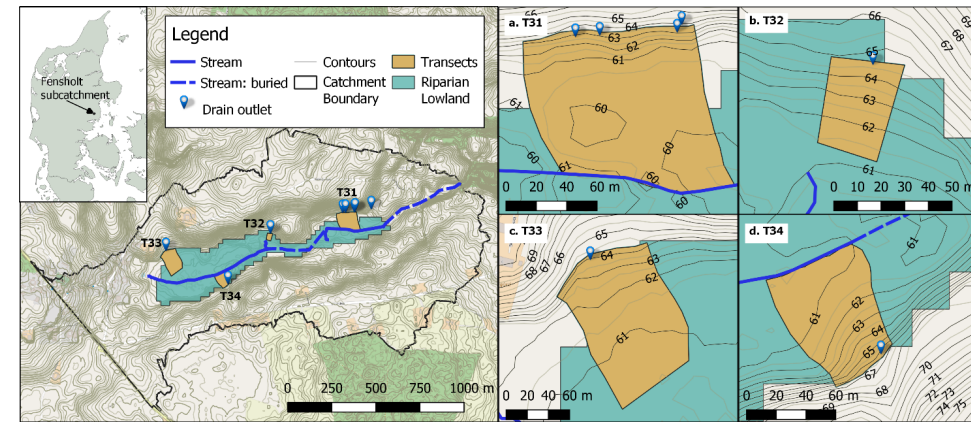
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Methods

Overland flow

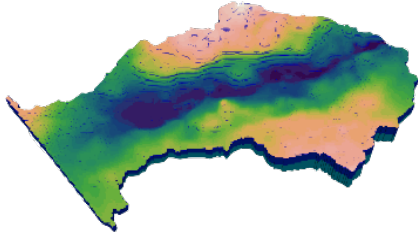
- Validate fine-scale physically based flow model for fieldsites
- Statistical perturbation of model
- Model-generated training data
- Machine learning based prediction model



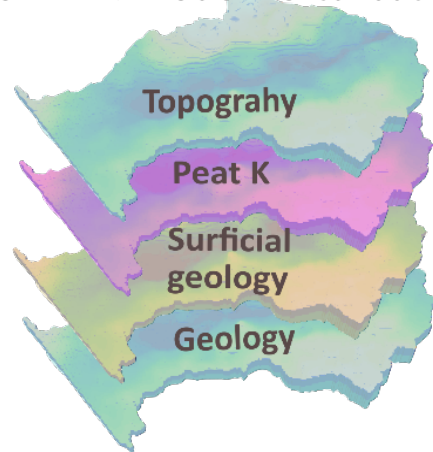
Overland flow fraction in the riparian zone $f(O_{riv})$

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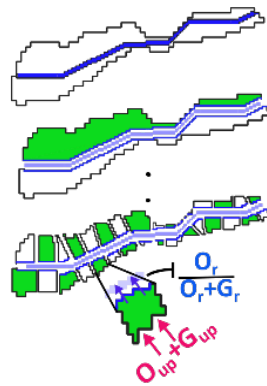
STEP 1: Local scale model



STEP 2: Model Perturbation



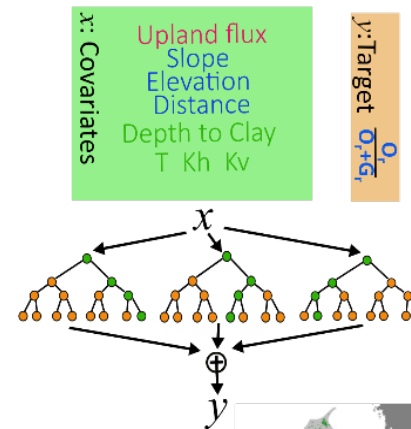
STEP 3: Riparian segmentation



STEP 4: Covariates

Upland flux
Slope · Elevation · Distance
Depth to Clay · T · Kh · Kv

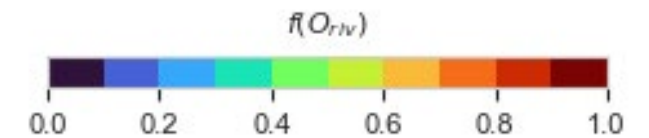
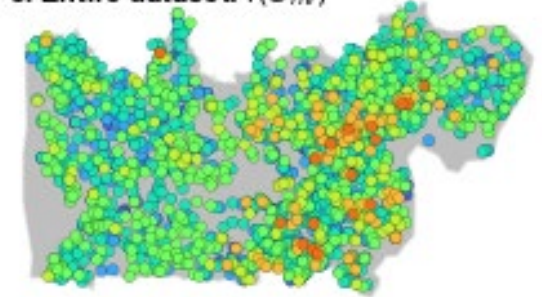
STEP 5: Statistical model



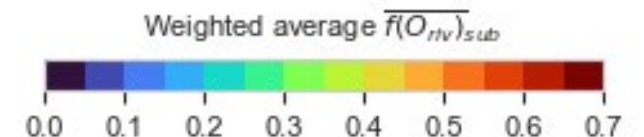
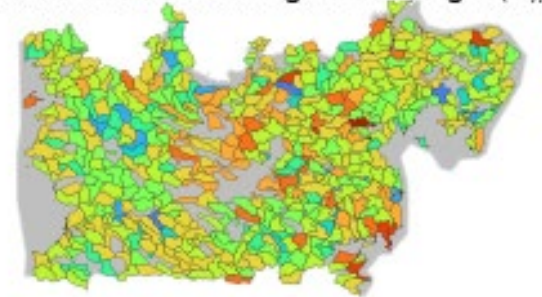
STEP 6: Apply model to Denmark



c. Entire dataset: $f(O_{riv})$



f. Entire dataset: Weighted average $\overline{f(O_{riv})}_{sub}$

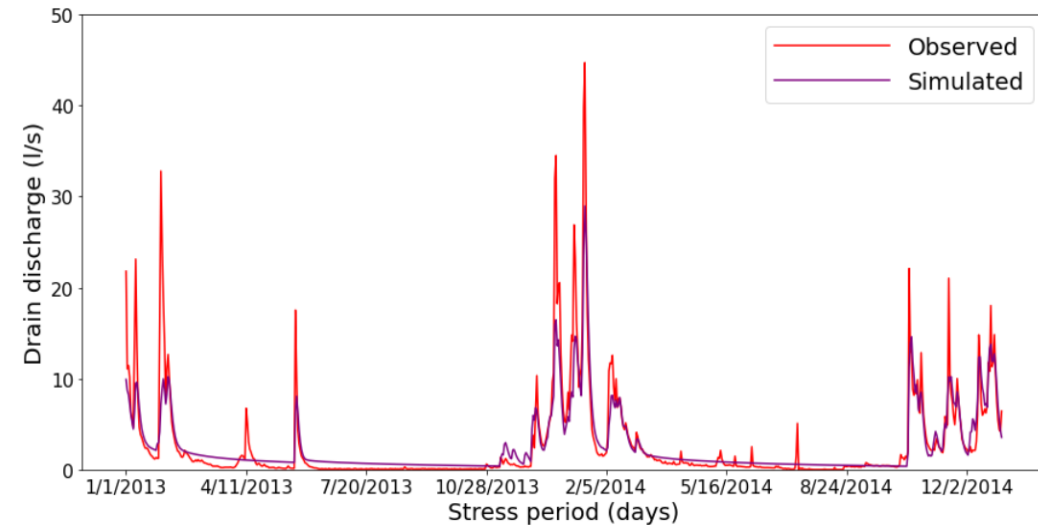
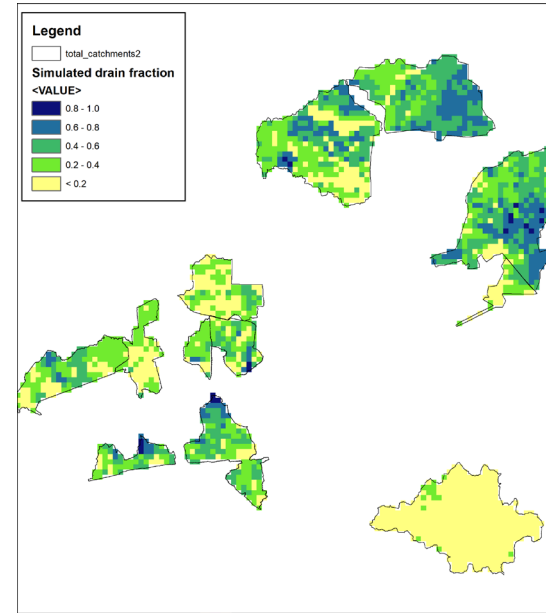


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Methods

Drain fraction

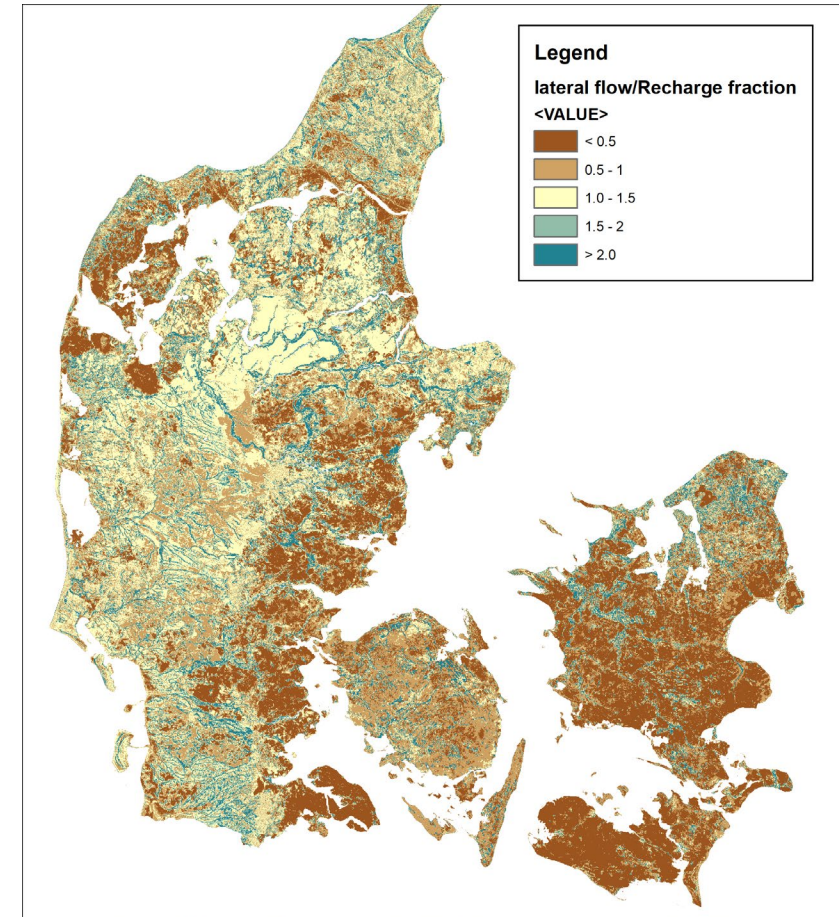
- Calibrate and validate fine-scale physically based flow models from 30 drain catchments
- Supplement with additional ungauged drain catchments
- Generate modelbased training data at high resolution
- Machine learning based prediction model



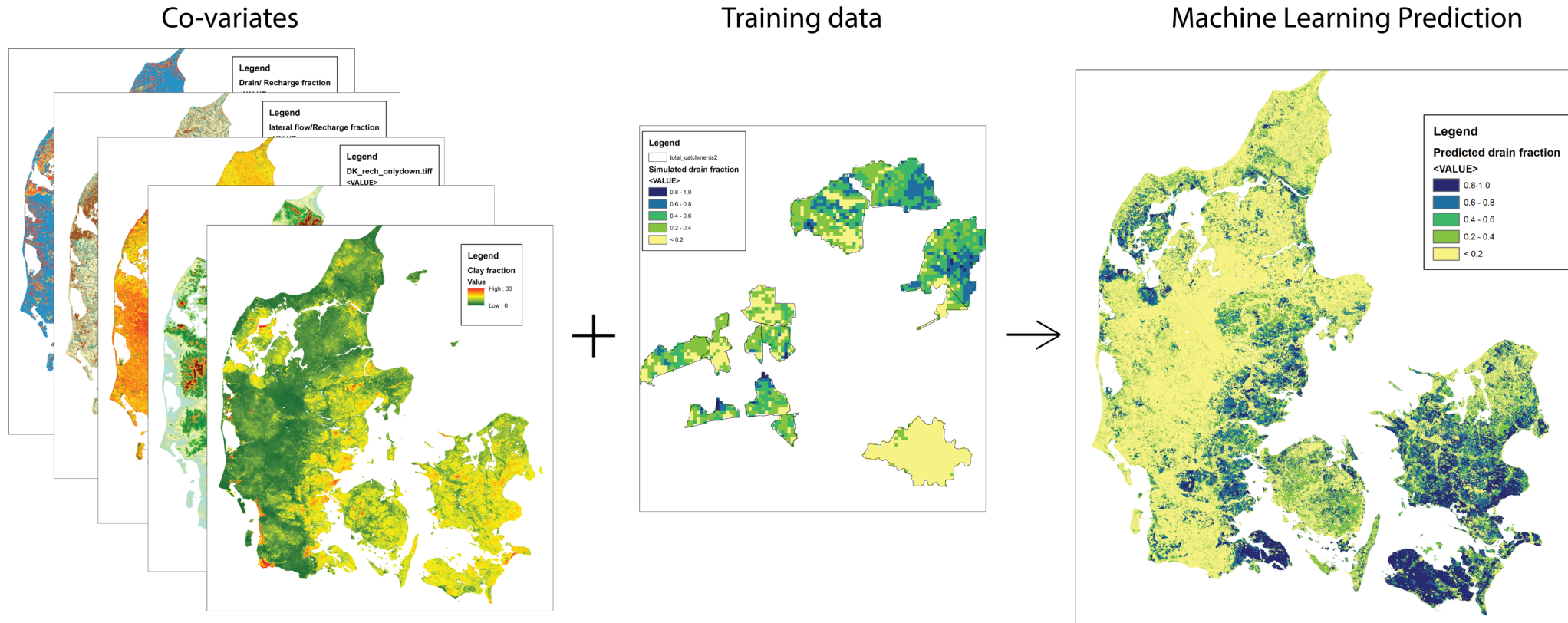
Drain fraction on clay soils $f(\text{drain}_{\text{clay}})$

Raphael Schneider and Hafsa Mahmood

- Mapping of drainfraction from field scale to high resolution DK scale
- Generate training data from many drain submodels (Hafsa)
 - High resolution (10 m) - thousands of datapoints
- Sample in national variability
 - Geology, topography, recharge
- Select co-variates available nationally at high resolution (10-30 m)
- Create a machine learning model for predicting $f(\text{drain}_{\text{clay}})$
- Investigate seasonal dynamics of drainfraction



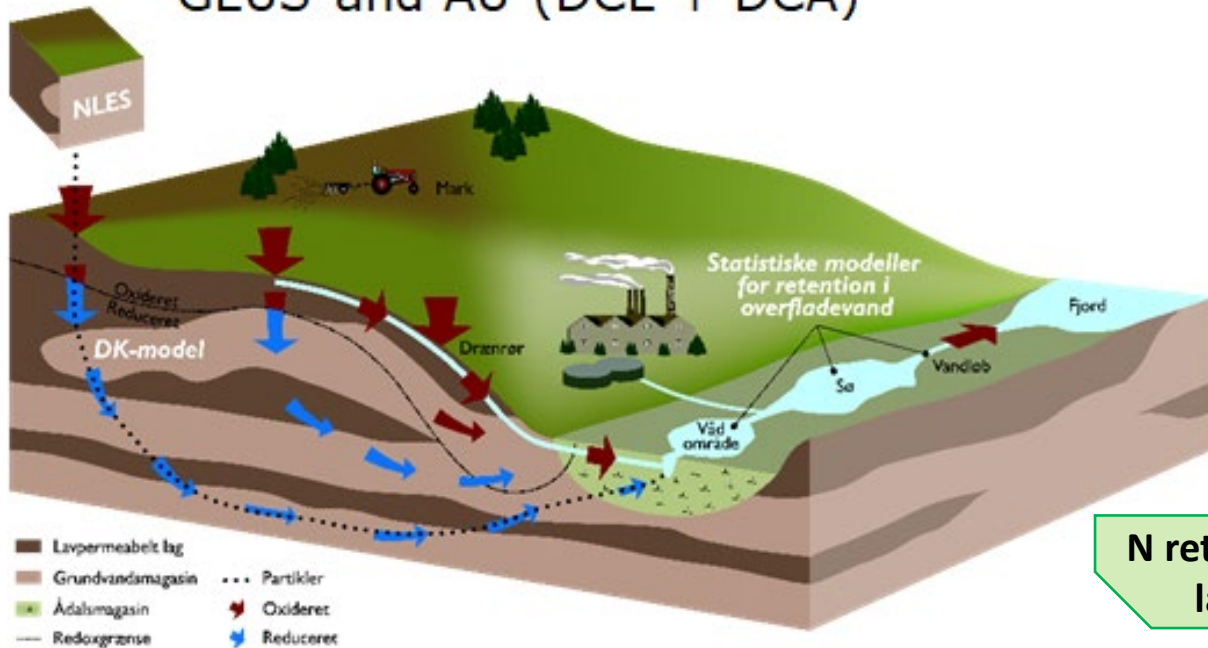
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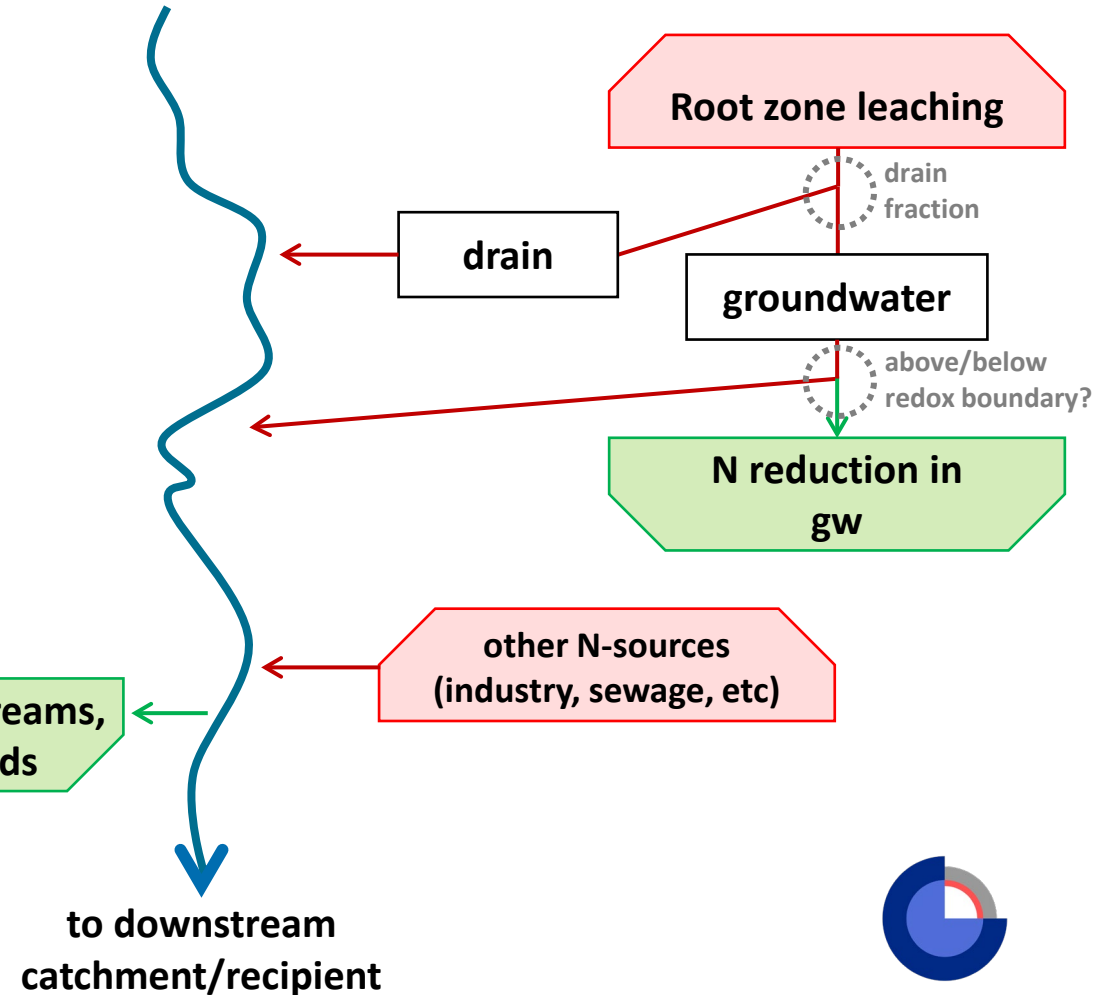
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GEUS and AU (DCE + DCA)



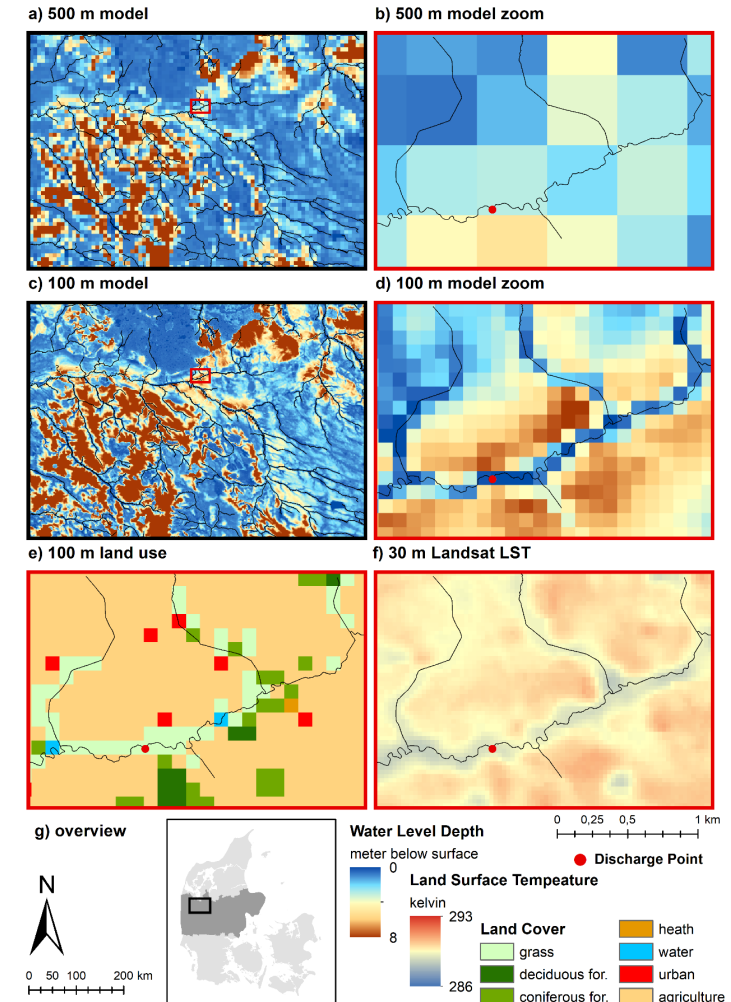
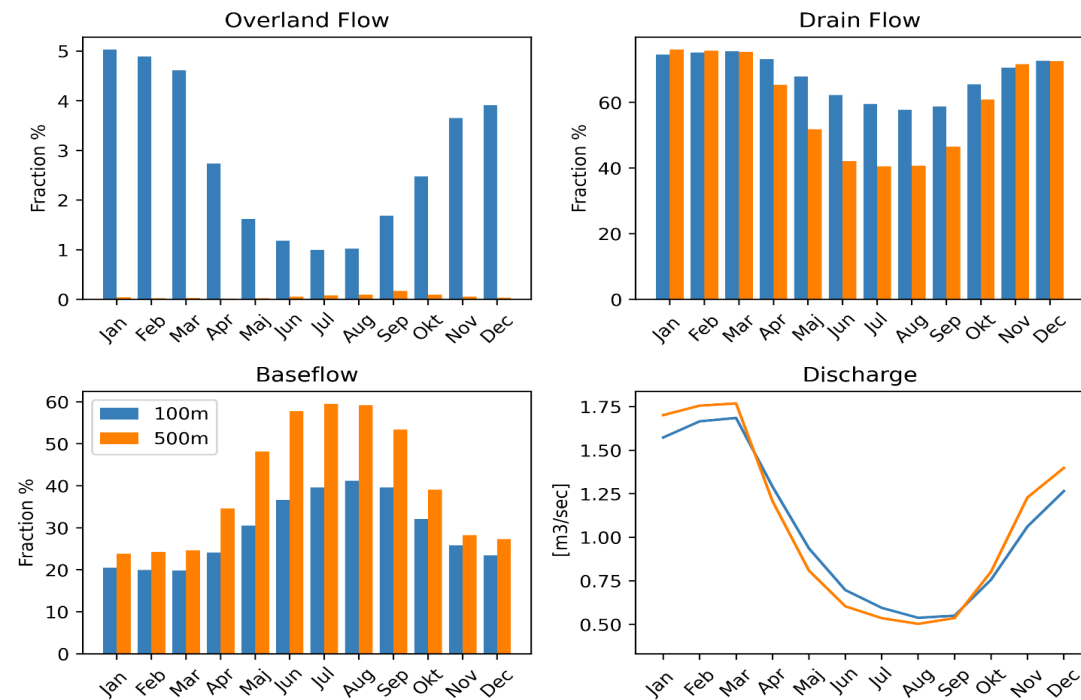
N retention in streams, lakes, wetlands

Currently run with 500m DK-model, N retention results delivered at ID15 scale (retentionskort)



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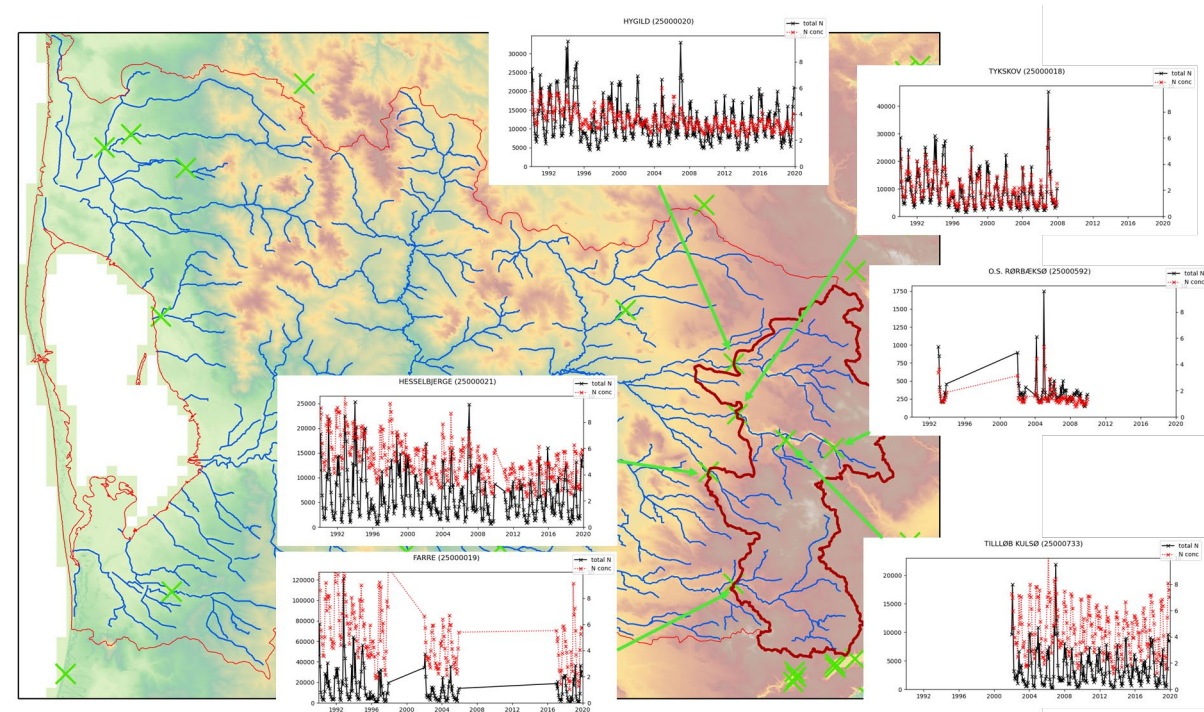
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Improvement of the DK-model and national nitrogen model (N-model)

1. Run a submodel of the N-model based on the **100m DK-model** (Skjern Å headwater)
2. Improve DK-model drain simulation aided by **ML drain fraction map**
3. (potentially) Include differentiated **N-reduction potential in riparian zones/wetlands**

Test Skjern Å N-model setup at each step against observed N loads

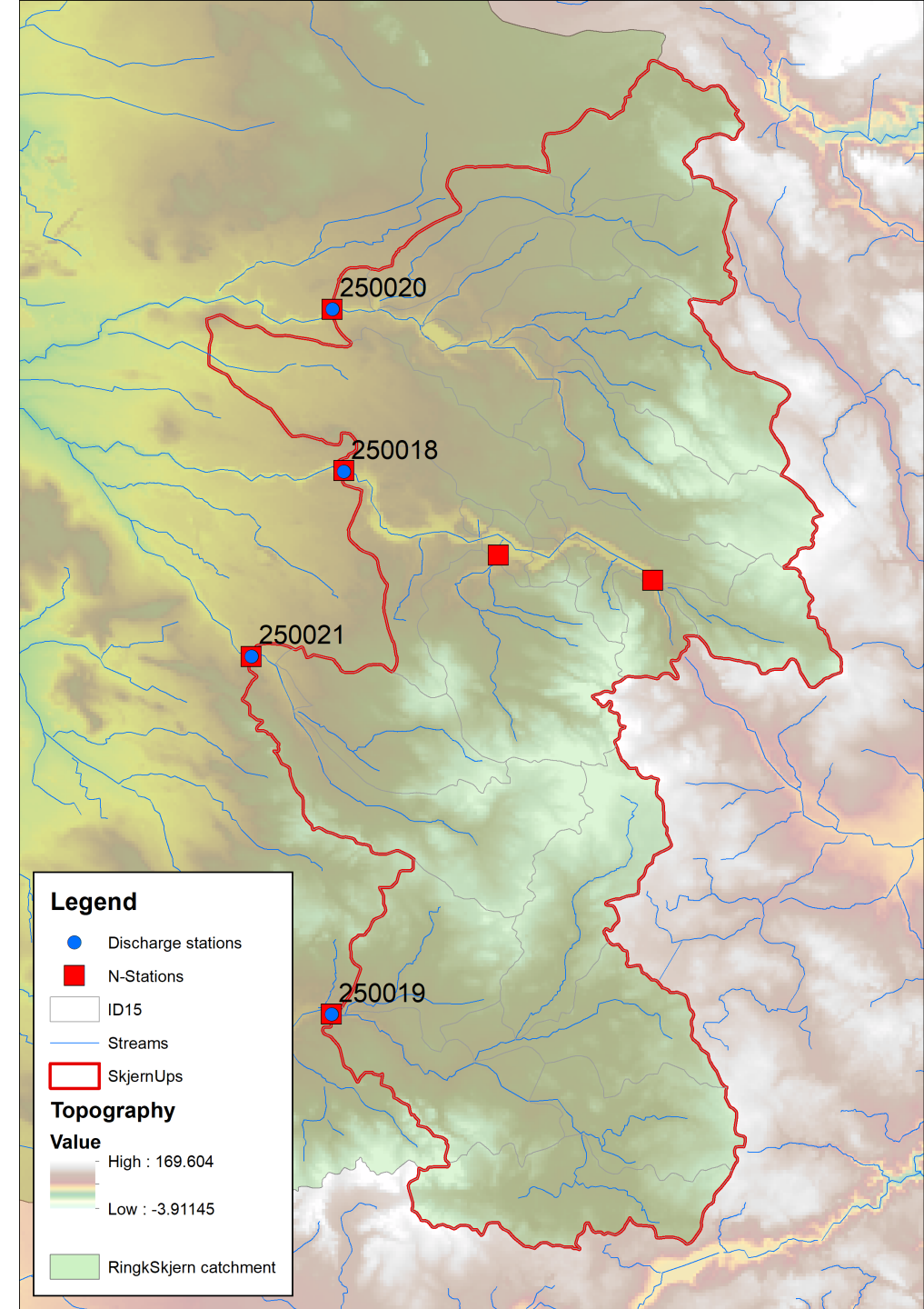


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Skjern Å headwater model

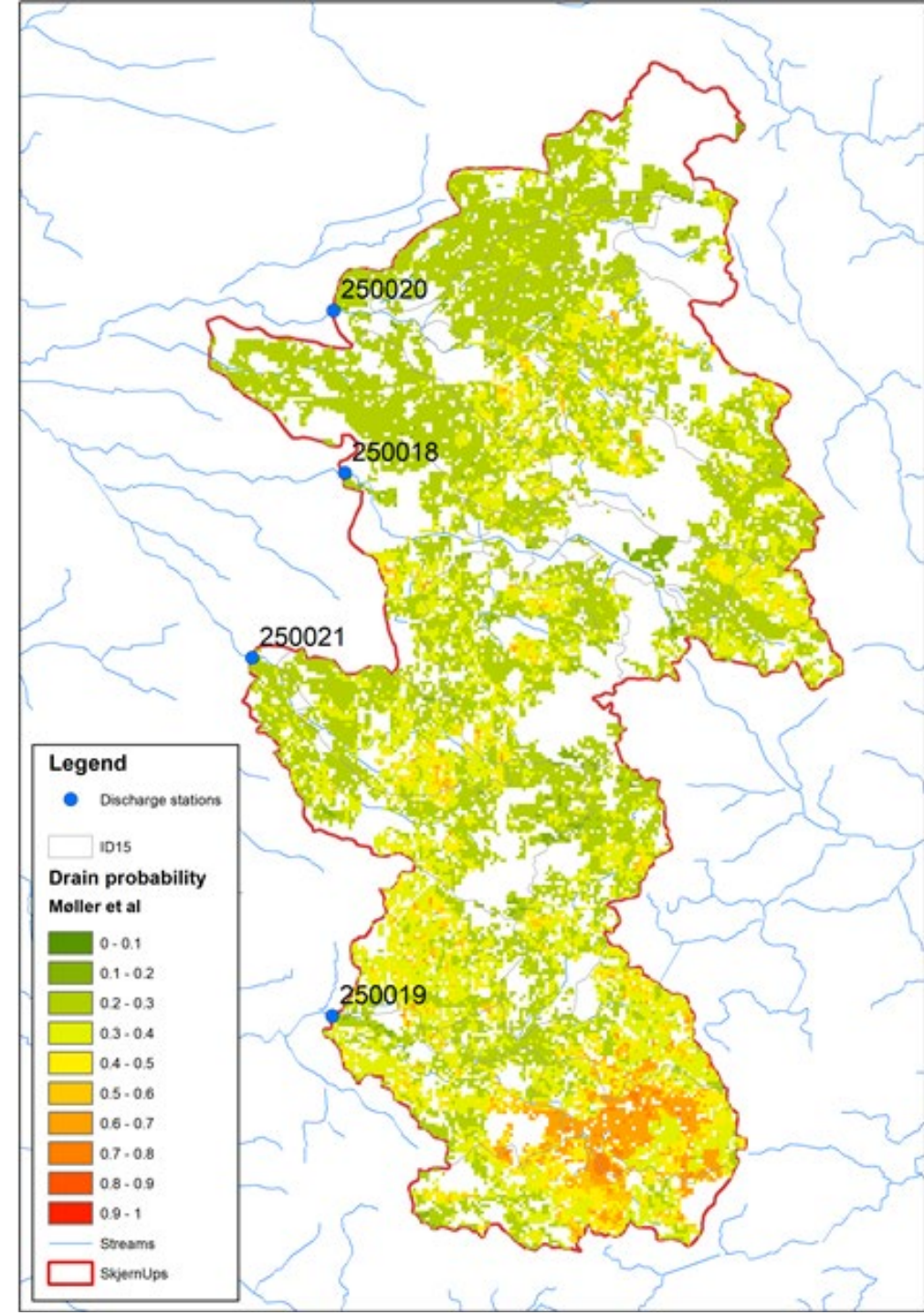
Streamflow performance at 4 outlets

	NSE	fbal
Q250018	0.66	0.05
Q250019	0.76	-0.18
Q250020	0.82	0.04
Q250021	0.43	0.27
average	0.67	0.05



Skjern Å headwater model

Probability for artificial drain, as predicted by machine learning algorithm (Møller et al. 2018)



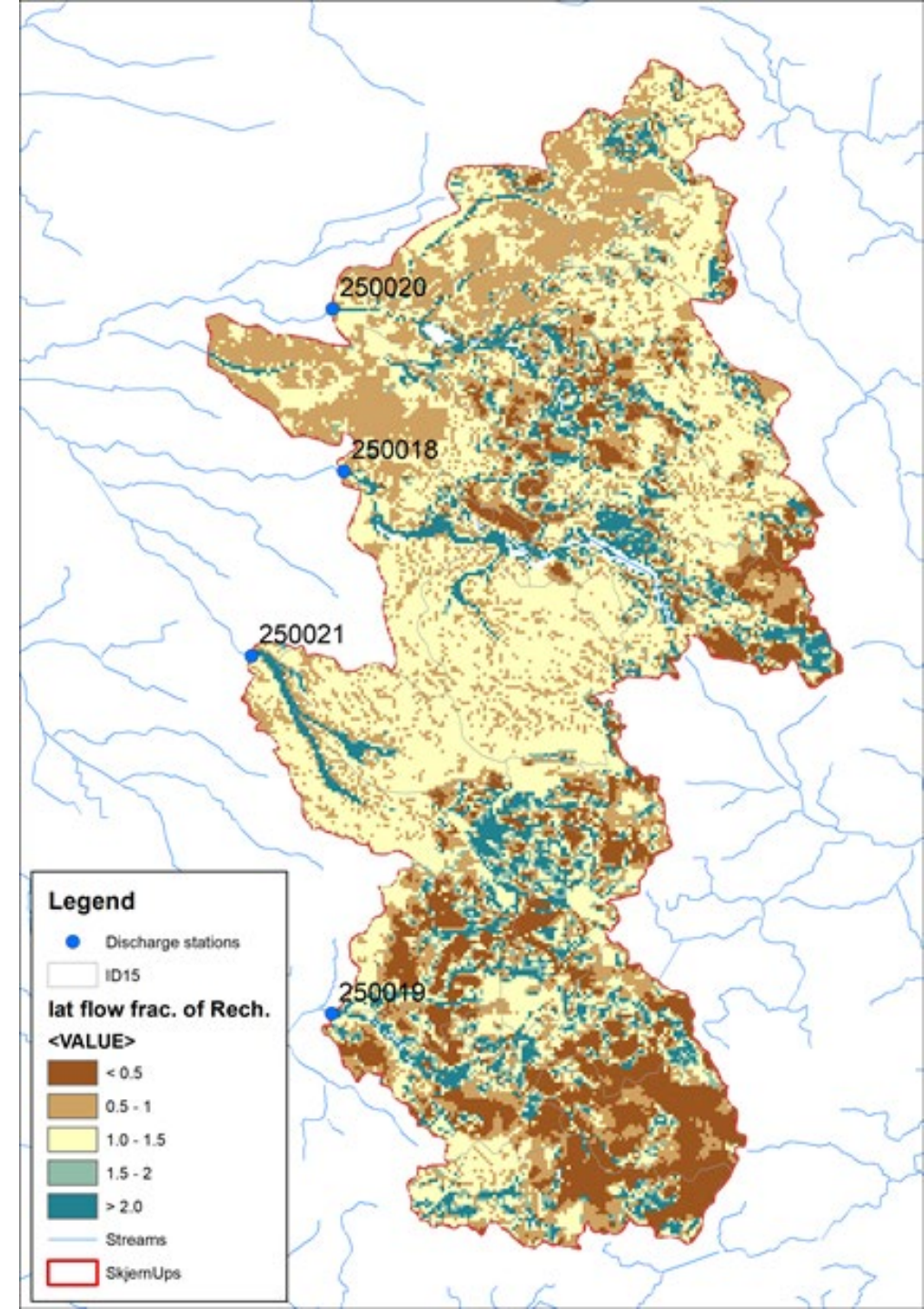
Skjern Å headwater model

$$\frac{f_{lat,l1} + f_{z,l1,l2}}{recharge}$$

Lateral flow fraction

Indicator for areas with:

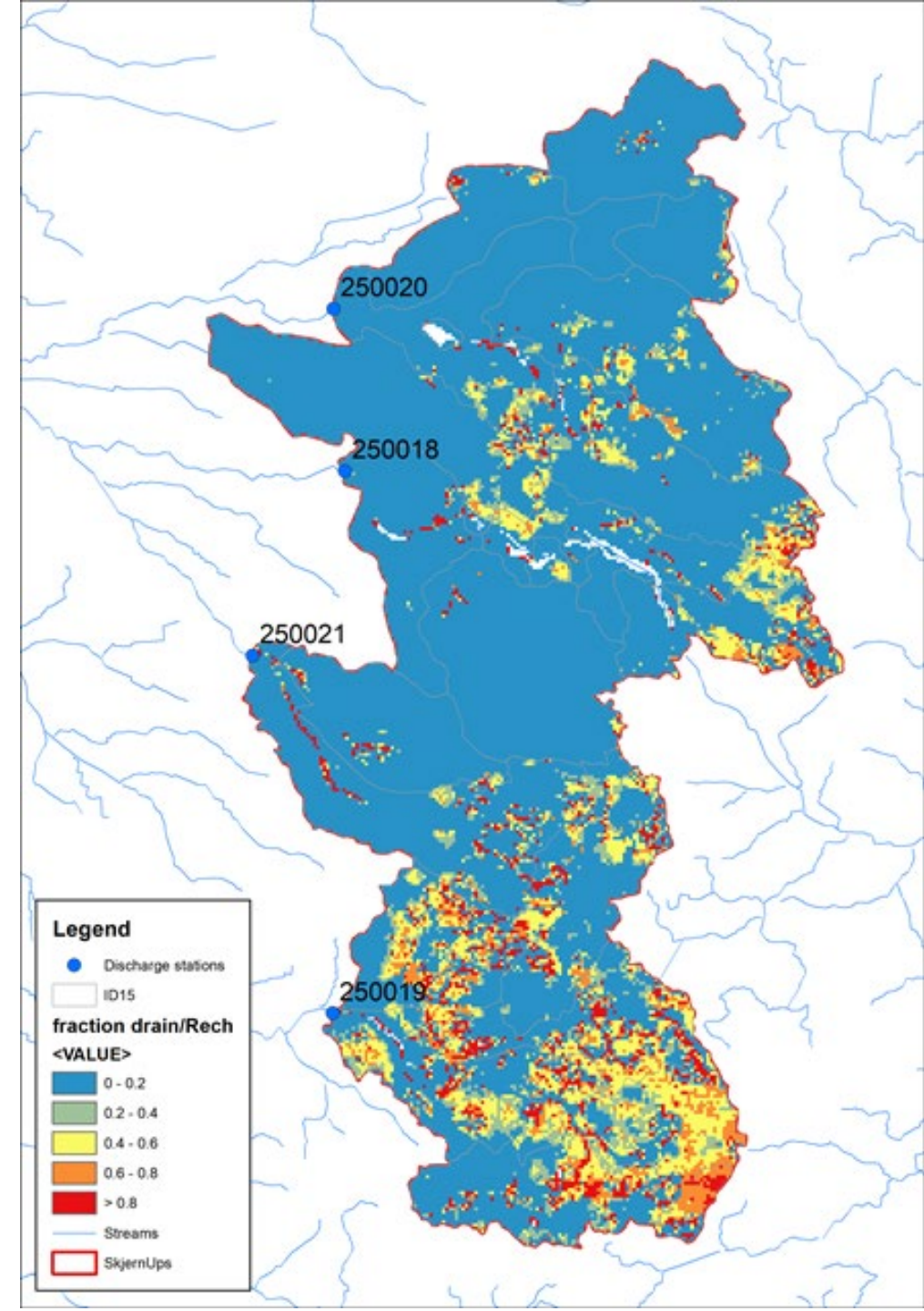
- shallow groundwater dynamics (dominated by local recharge, **low** lateral flow fraction)
- complex groundwater dynamics (dominated by lateral/regional flow, **high** lateral flow fraction)



Skjern Å headwater model

Simulated drain fraction

$$\frac{\textit{drain}}{\textit{recharge}}$$

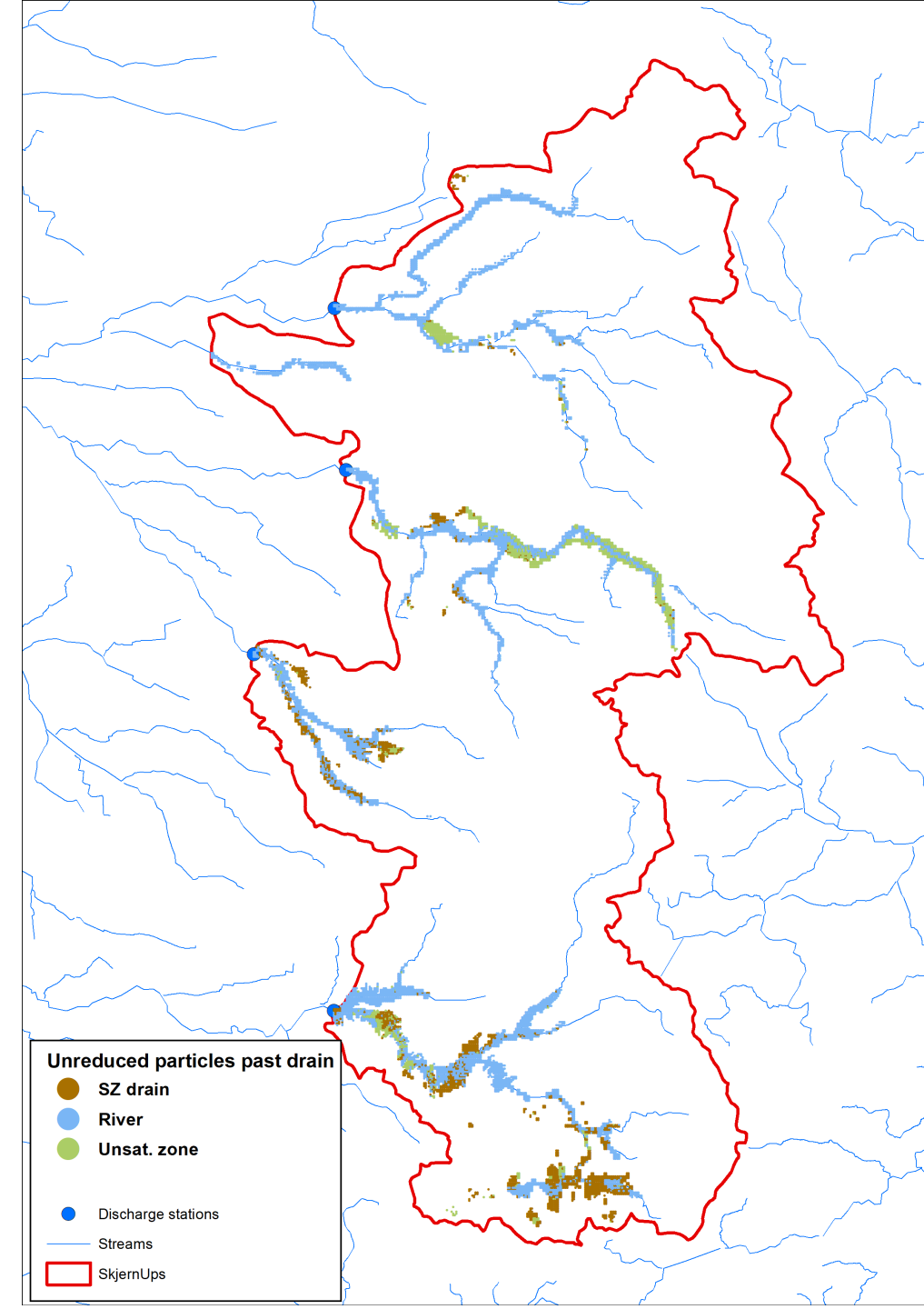


Skjern Å headwater model

First results of 100m N-model
setup

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Displaying origin of particles
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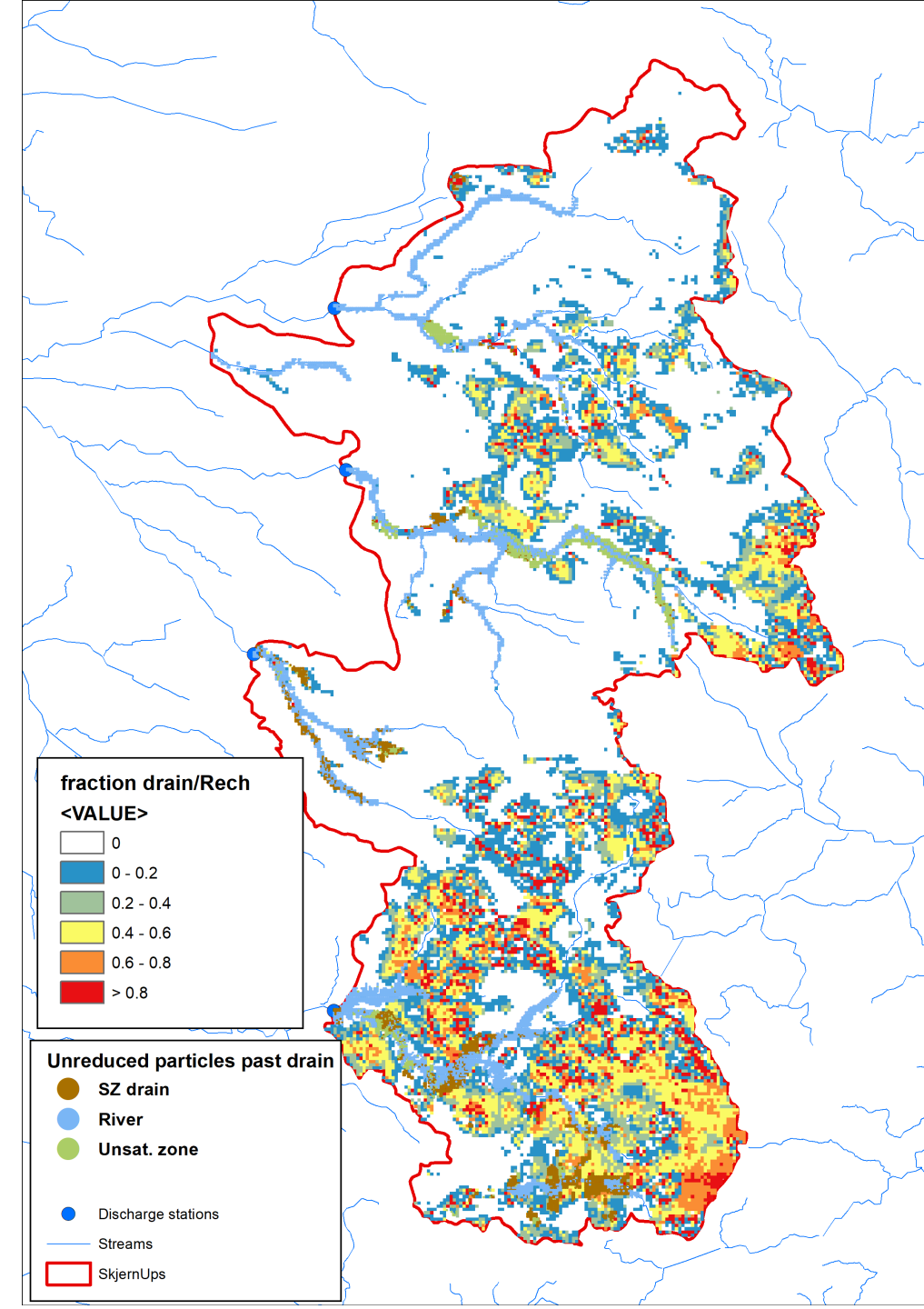
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Displaying origin of particles **below drain** that reach recipients without being reduced in groundwater

Displayed with drain fraction, which is used to partition N-leaching from rootzone (drain being **not** reduced)



Next steps

- Collaborate with AU/Hafsa on Mike SHE drain models and calibration



- Based on Hafsas simulations build machine learning model for predicting drain fraction



- N-Model 100m for Skjern Upstream
- Compare and adjust to N-observations



- Deliver initial distributed N-retention map for Skjern Upstream



- Utilize the drain fraction mapping to improve drain simulations in the N-model for Skjern Upstream



- Deliver updated distributed N-retention map for Skjern Upstream

