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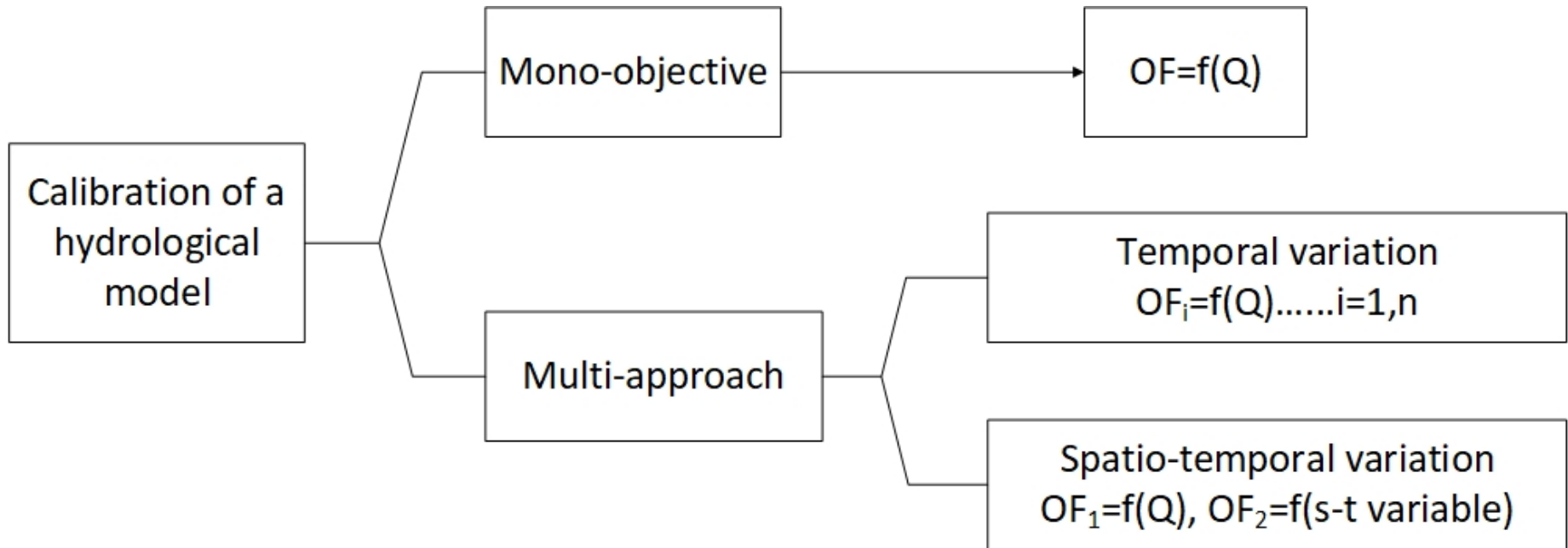
**“On the use of remote sensed soil moisture data in spatio-temporal  
model calibration for a Mediterranean catchment”**

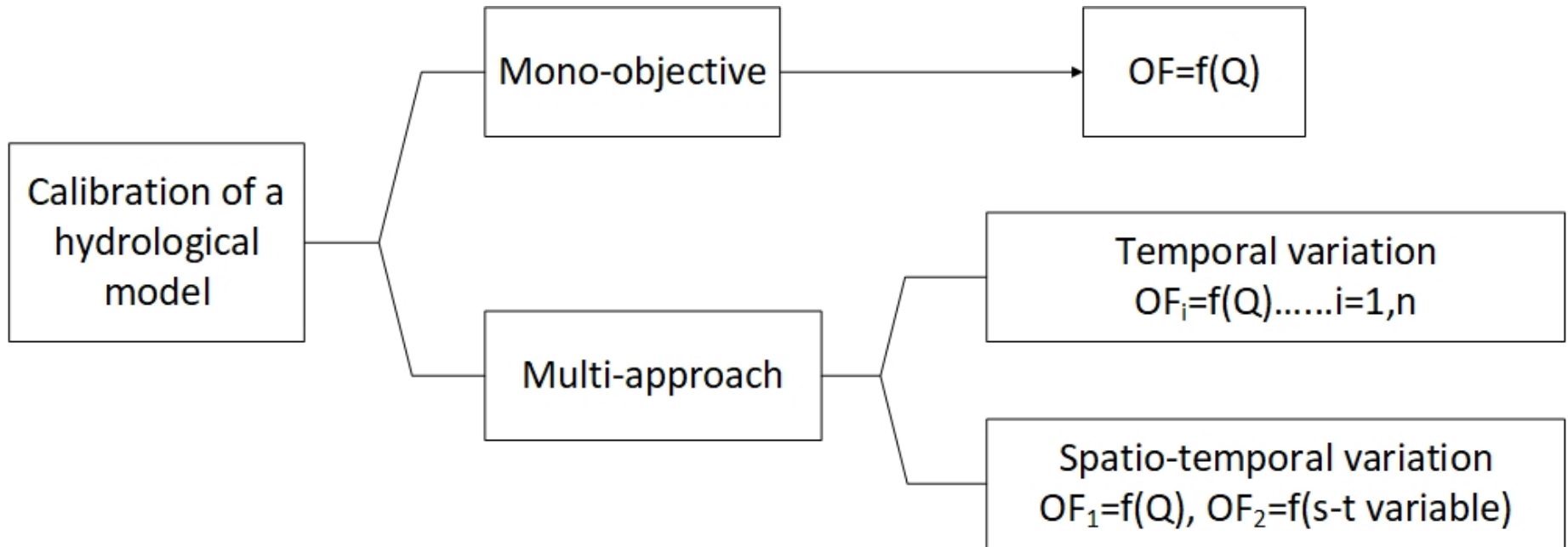


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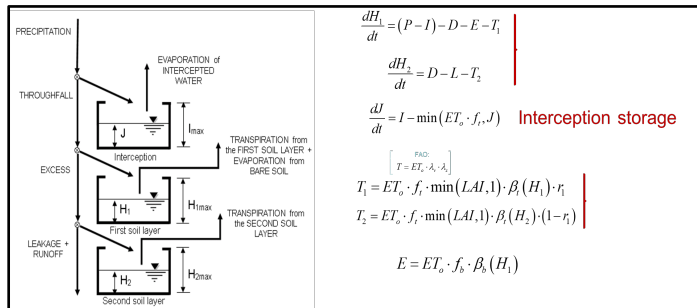


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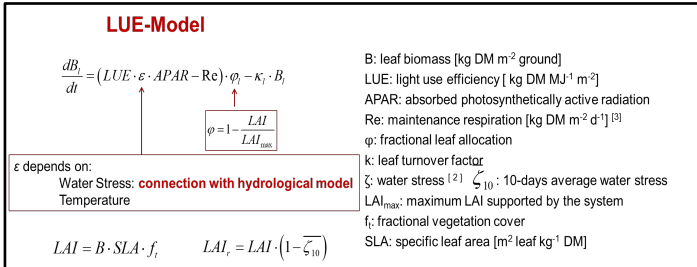
**Evaluation of the performance of hydrological modelling using a multi-objective algorithm including remote-sensed soil moisture as a state variable, with projection for use in ungauged basins.**

# PROPOSED METHODOLOGY - RESOURCES

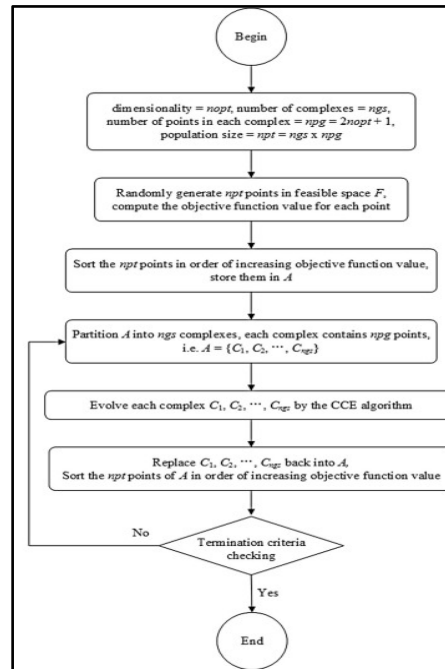
## HYDROLOGICAL MODEL (TETIS)



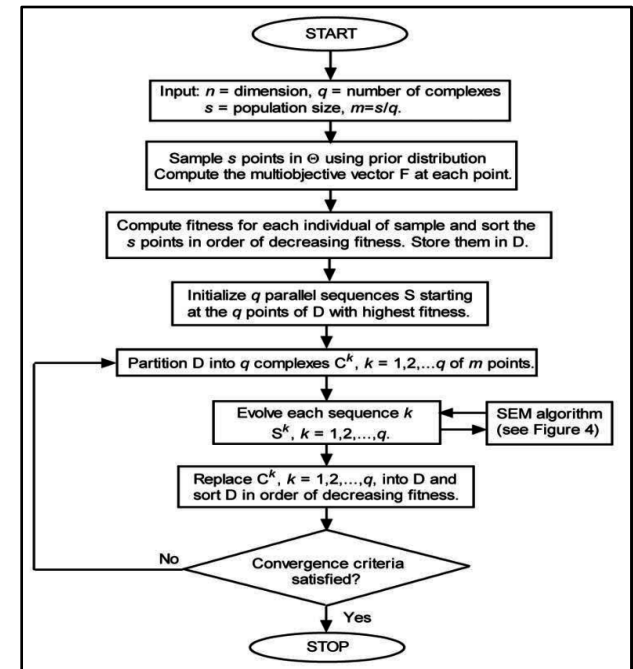
## VEGETATION DYNAMIC MODEL



## SCE-UA

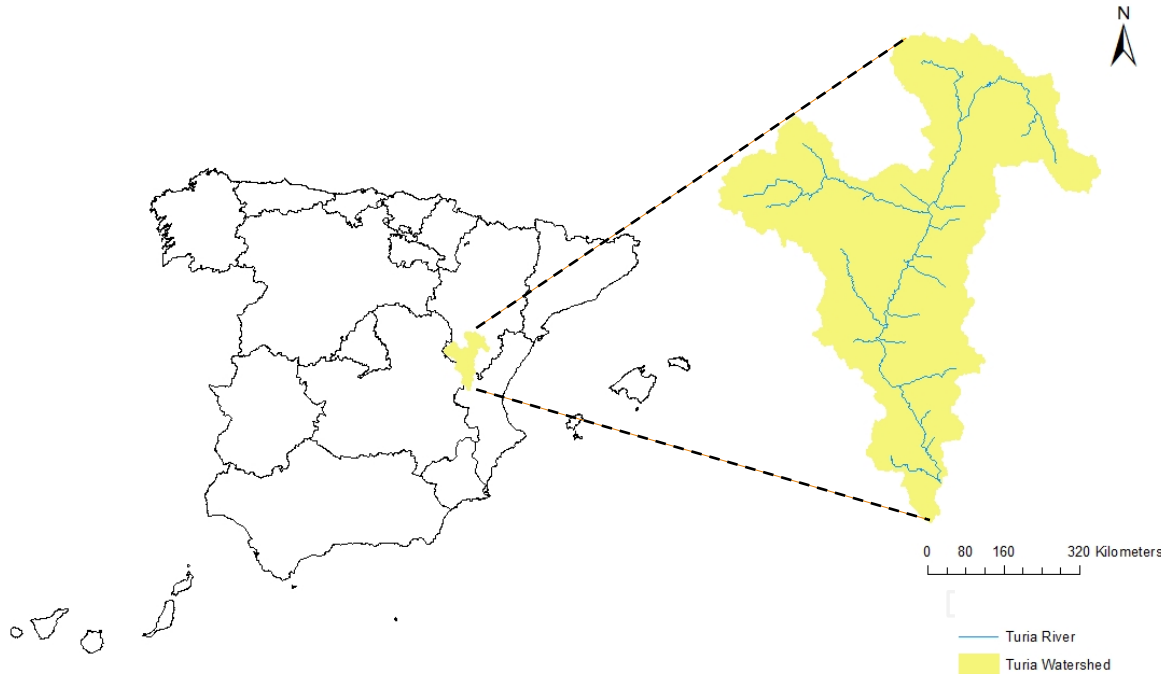


## MOSCEM-UA



# PROPOSED METHODOLOGY - STUDY AREA

## UPPER TURIA RIVER WATERSHED

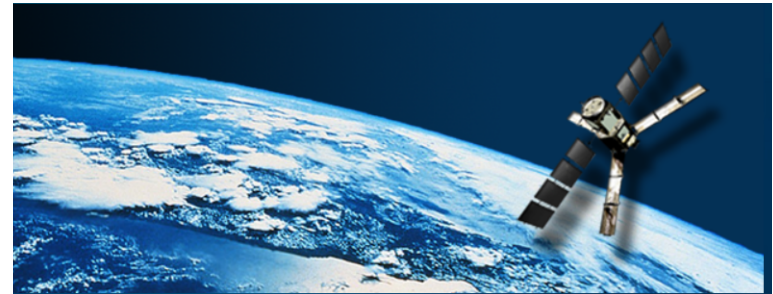


- Drainage length = 449.61 km
- Area = 4295 km<sup>2</sup>
- Rain gauges = 93
- Temperature stations = 93
- ET stations = 93
- Radiation Stations = 13
- Reference period=2010-2015
- Regions:
  - Comunidad Valenciana
  - Castilla la Mancha
  - Aragón

# PROPOSED METHODOLOGY - SATELLITE DATA

## Soil moisture maps covering the Iberian Peninsula

- > Temporal resolution: two maps per day (ascending – descending)
- > Temporal coverage: 5 years (since January 2010 to December 2015)
- > Downscaling: Brightness Temperature(ESA SMOS) + LST (NASA Terra/Aqua MODIS) + NDVI (NASA Terra/Aqua MODIS)
- > Free access by SMOS-BEC website (<http://bec.icm.csic.es/>)
- > Spatial resolution: 1 km
- > New version provides soil moisture estimation independently of cloud cover.



# PROPOSED METHODOLOGY – ALTERNATIVES

## Configuration 1

- > Mono-objective calibration using SCE-UA
- > Main state variable: Flow at the catchment outlet point (Q)
- > Objective-function: Kling-Gupta Efficiency (KGE)
- > Warm-up period: 2008-2009
- > Calibration period: 2010-2012
- > Validation period: 2013-2015
- > 24 parameters (9 hydrological and 15 vegetation)

## Configuration 2

- > Multi-objective calibration using MOSCEM-UA
- > Main state variable: Flow at the catchment outlet point (Q)
- > Objective-functions: Kling-Gupta Efficiency (KGE) and Balance Error (BE)
- > Warm-up period: 2008-2009
- > Calibration period: 2010-2012
- > Validation period: 2013-2015
- > 24 parameters (9 hydrological and 15 vegetation)



# PROPOSED METHODOLOGY – ALTERNATIVES

## Configuration 3

- Multi-objective calibration using MOSCEM-UA
- State variable: Flow at the catchment outlet point (Q) and **remote-sensed** soil moisture (SM).
- Objective-functions: Kling-Gupta Efficiency (KGE) and Spatial function to evaluate soil moisture (SME).
- Warm-up period: 2008-2009
- Calibration period: 2010-2012
- Validation period: 2013-2015
- 24 parameters (9 hydrological and 15 vegetation's)

## SME

→ It is a function to evaluate the performance of the simulated soil moisture compared to the observed soil moisture, composed by two parts:

- 1) KGE index between simulated and observed soil moisture pixel by pixel
- 2) a metric based on the similarity between the first five spatial principal components of simulated and observed soil moisture (EOF methodology);

$$SME = \frac{P_1 + P_2}{2}$$

$$P_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{\#pixels} [KGE(sm_{obs} \& sm_{sim}; \forall KGE \geq threshold)]}{total\ number\ of\ pixels}$$

$$P_2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^5 [KGE(EOF - loadings_{obs} \& EOF - loadings_{sim})]}{5}$$

# RESULTS: CONFIGURATION 1 - CALIBRATION

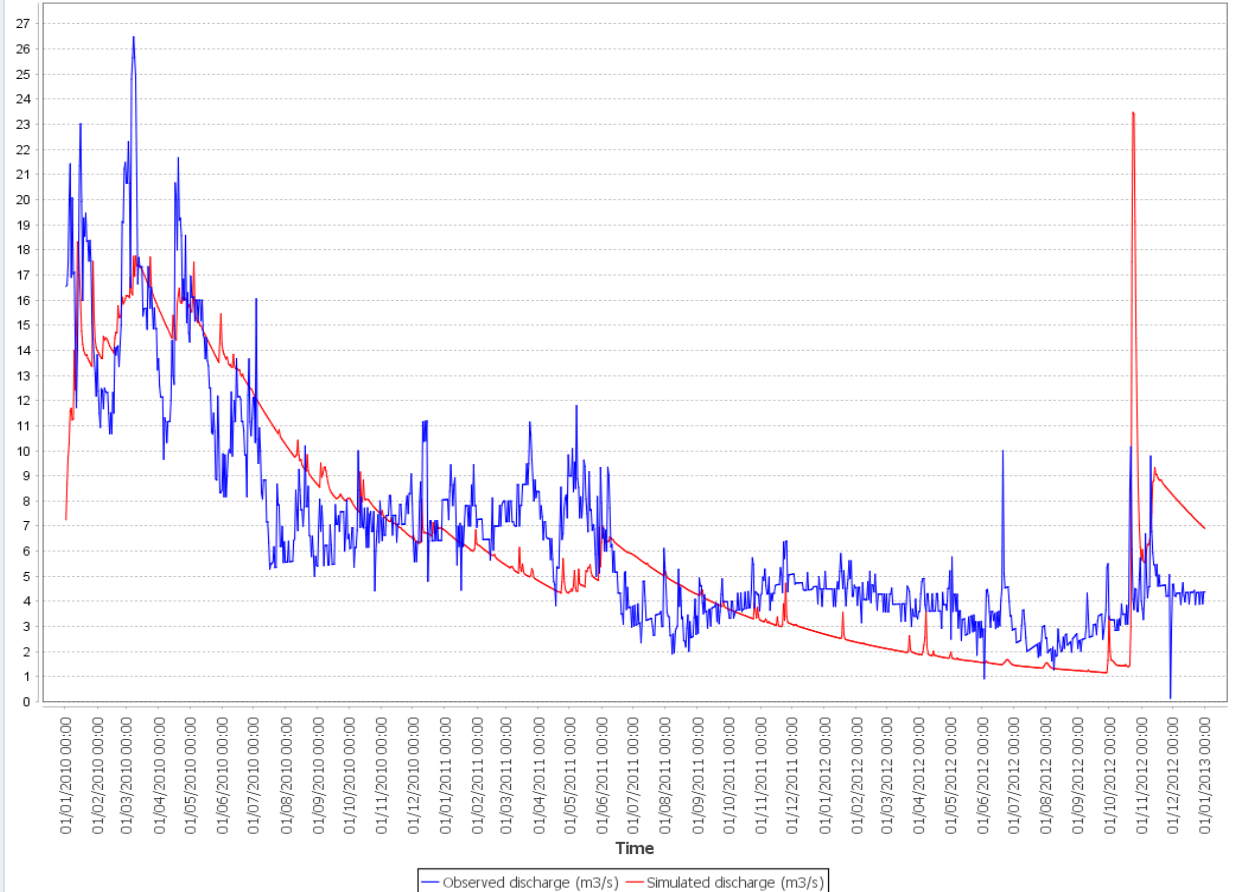
-> Main state variable: Flow at the catchment outlet point (Q) ; Calibration period: KGE= 0.8123

-> Mono-objective calibration using SCE-UA (Convergence criteria =  $\Delta FO \leq 0.001$ , Number of iterations= 1325)

## Main Event characteristics

Max. obs. discharge (m3/s)	26.491
Max. sim. discharge (m3/s)	23.472
RMSE	2.744
Observed peak time	07/03/2010 23:59
Simulated peak time	23/10/2012 23:59
Peak time error (dt)	961
Observed volume (Hm3)	637.319
Simulated volume (Hm3)	611.474
Volume error (%)	-4.055
Nash and Sutcliffe efficiency	0.5958
Drainage area (km2)	4299.650

## Stream gauge section discharge(Q)



# RESULTS: CONFIGURATION 1 - VALIDATION

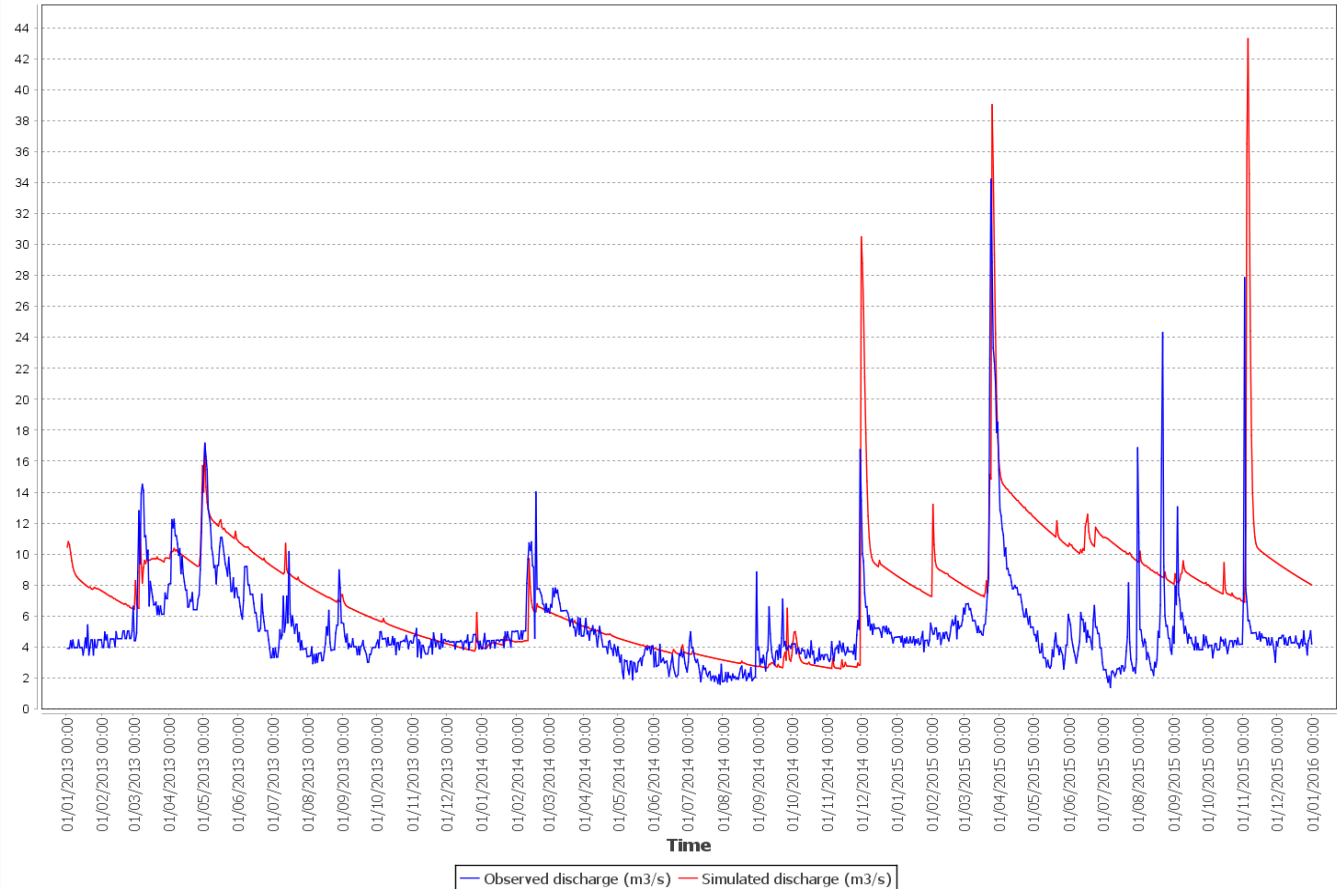
-> Main state variable: Flow at the catchment outlet point (Q) ; Calibration period: KGE= 0.8123

-> Validation period: KGE= 0.10112

## Main Event characteristics

Max. obs. discharge (m <sup>3</sup> /s)	34.206
Max. sim. discharge (m <sup>3</sup> /s)	43.290
KGE	4.282
Observed peak time	24/03/2015 23:59
Simulated peak time	05/11/2015 23:59
Peak time error (dt)	226
Observed volume (Hm <sup>3</sup> )	484.092
Simulated volume (Hm <sup>3</sup> )	714.091
Volume error (%)	47.511
Nash and Sutcliffe efficiency	-1.1358
Drainage area (km <sup>2</sup> )	4299.650

Stream gauge section discharge(Q)



# RESULTS: CONFIGURATION 2 – CALIBRATION (PF)

## PARETO FRONT

### Configuration 2

-> State variable: Flow at the catchment

outlet point (Q): F1=KGE, F2=BE(%)

-> Multi-objective calibration using

MOSCEM-UA

Initial population (s) = 1000 points

Number of complexes (q) = 50

Number of points per complex (m) = 20

New candidates points per complex (L) =

5

Number of iterations = 150

Candidate solutions = 97

Candidate solutions (Pareto Front) = 6

-> Chosen Candidate Solution

Calibration

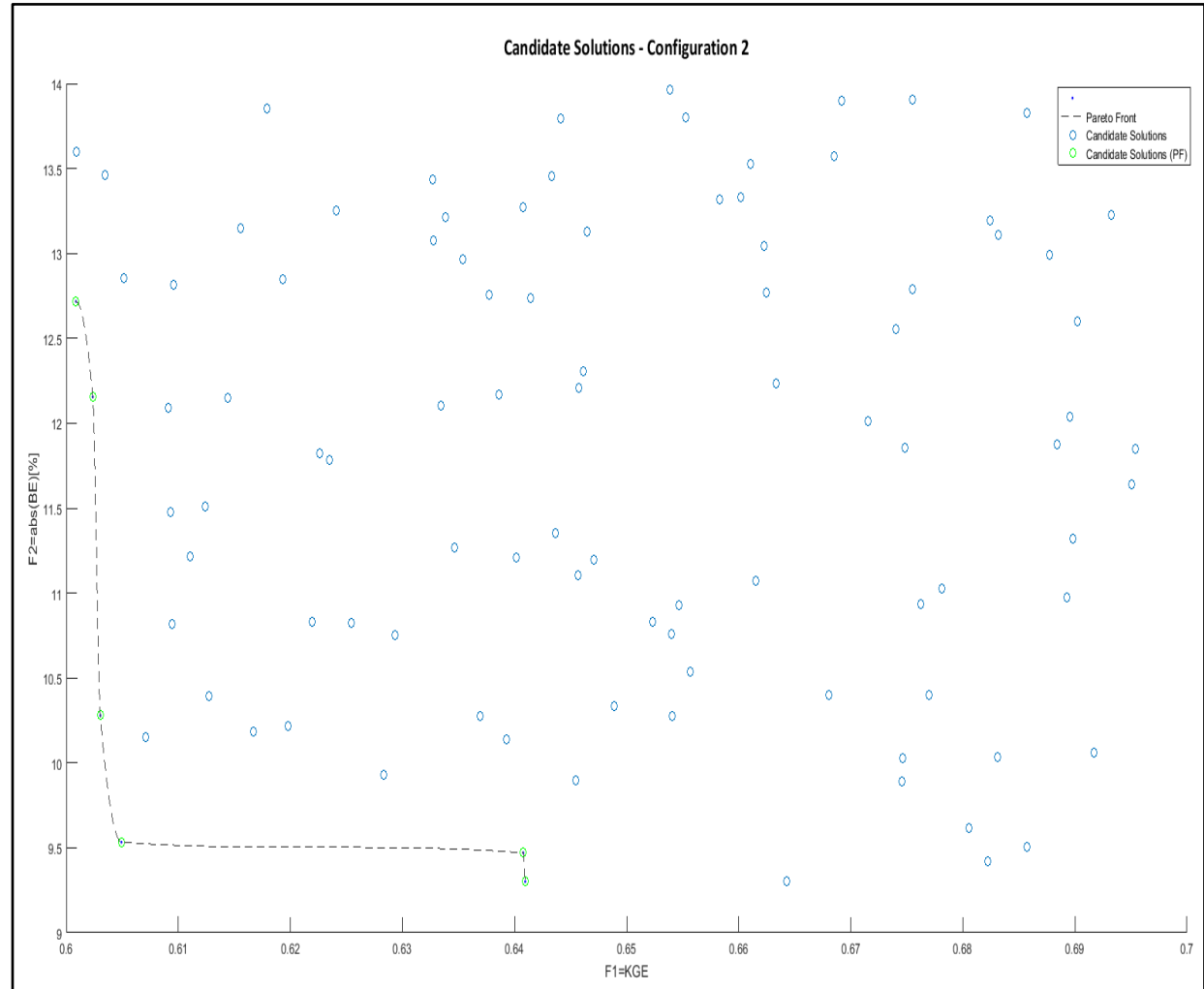
Validation

KGE =

KGE =

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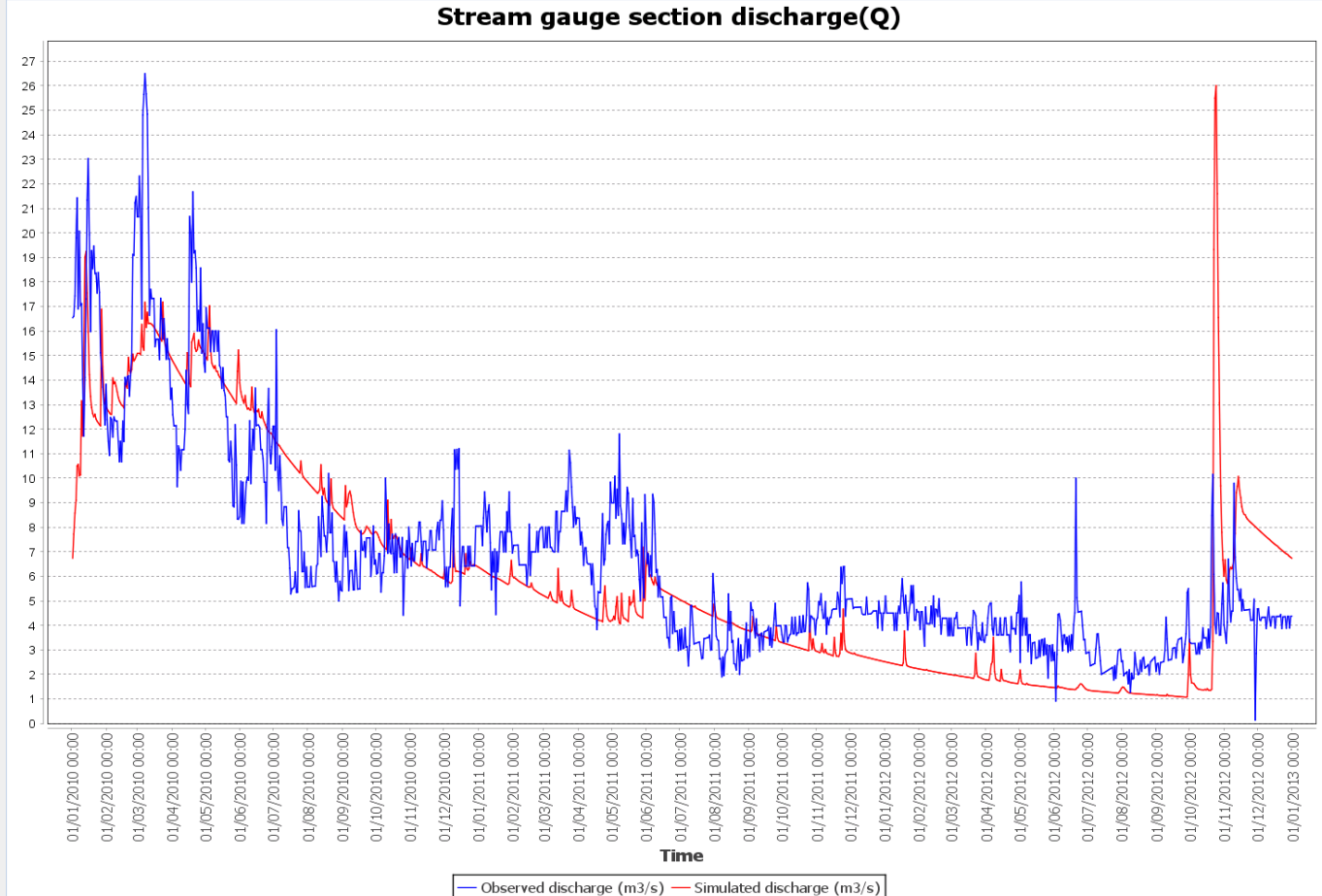


# RESULTS: CONFIGURATION 2 – CALIBRATION (HG)

-> State variable: Flow at the catchment outlet point (Q): F1=KGE, F2=BE(%); Multi-objective calibration using MOSCEM-UA

-> **Calibration: KGE=0.7701 & BE=9.039**

Main Event characteristics	
Max. obs. discharge (m <sup>3</sup> /s)	26.491
Max. sim. discharge (m <sup>3</sup> /s)	26.001
RMSE	2.853
Observed peak time	07/03/2010 23:59
Simulated peak time	24/10/2012 23:59
Peak time error (dt)	962
Observed volume (Hm <sup>3</sup> )	637.319
Simulated volume (Hm <sup>3</sup> )	579.712
Volume error (%)	-9.039
Nash and Sutcliffe efficiency	0.5632
Drainage area (km <sup>2</sup> )	4299.650



# RESULTS: CONFIGURATION 2 – VALIDATION (HG)

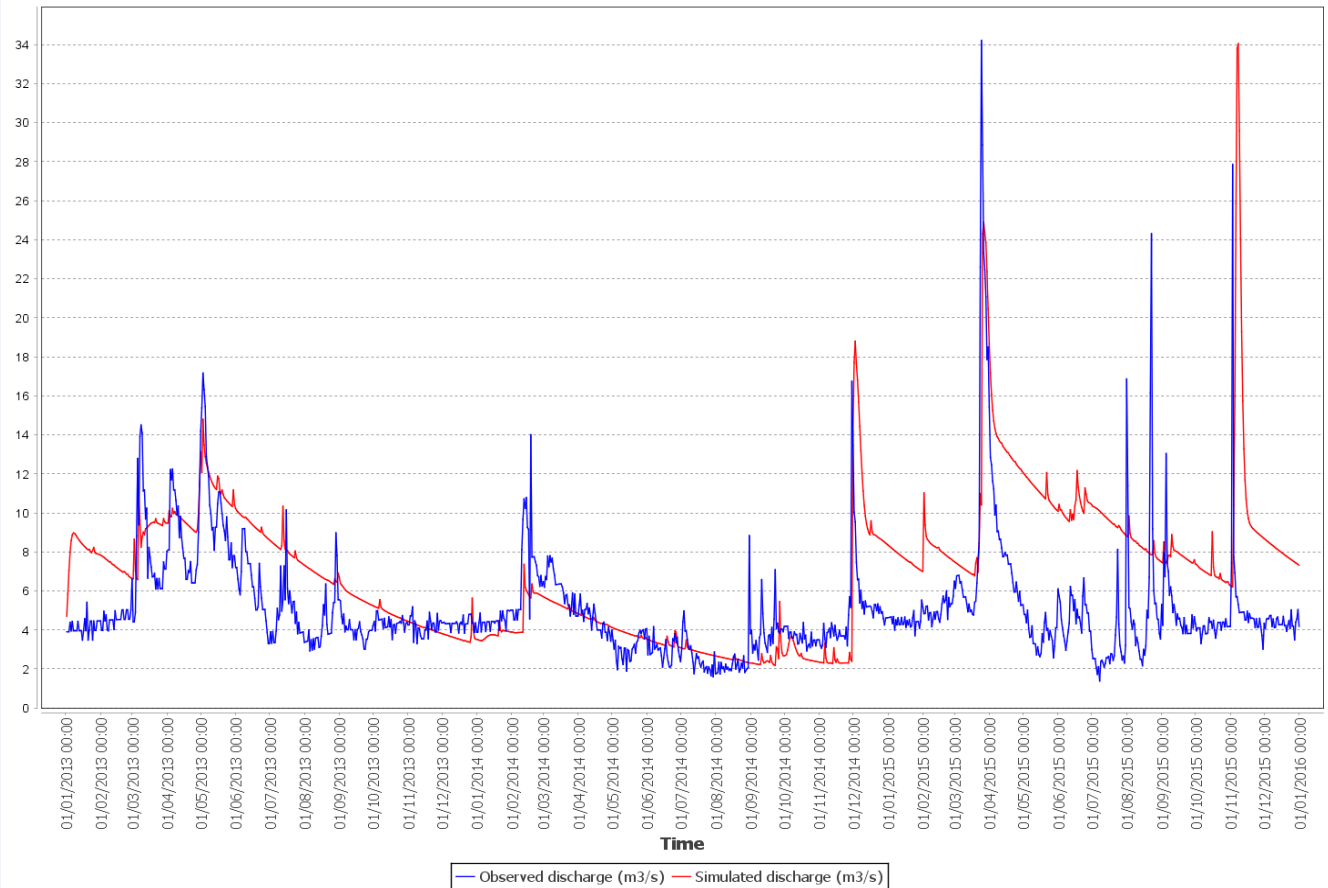
-> State variable: Flow at the catchment outlet point (Q):  $F1=KGE$ ,  $F2=BE(\%)$ ; Multi-objective calibration using MOSCEM-UA

-> Calibration:  $KGE=0.7701$  &  $BE=9.039$ ; Validation:  $KGE=0.215$  &  $BE=37.684$

## Main Event characteristics

Max. obs. discharge (m <sup>3</sup> /s)	34.206
Max. sim. discharge (m <sup>3</sup> /s)	34.041
RMSE	3.927
Observed peak time	24/03/2015 23:59
Simulated peak time	07/11/2015 23:59
Peak time error (dt)	228
Observed volume (Hm <sup>3</sup> )	484.092
Simulated volume (Hm <sup>3</sup> )	666.519
Volume error (%)	37.684
Nash and Sutcliffe efficiency	-0.7970
Drainage area (km <sup>2</sup> )	4299.650

## Stream gauge section discharge(Q)



# RESULTS: CONFIGURATION 3 – CALIBRATION (PF)

## PARETO FRONT

### Configuration 3

-> State variable: Flow at the catchment outlet point (Q) and **remote-sensed** soil moisture (SM)

-> Multi-objective calibration using MOSCEM-UA

Initial population (s) = 1000 points

Number of complexes (q) = 50

Number of points per complex (m) = 20

New candidates points per complex (L) = 5

Number of iterations = 150

Candidate solutions = 59

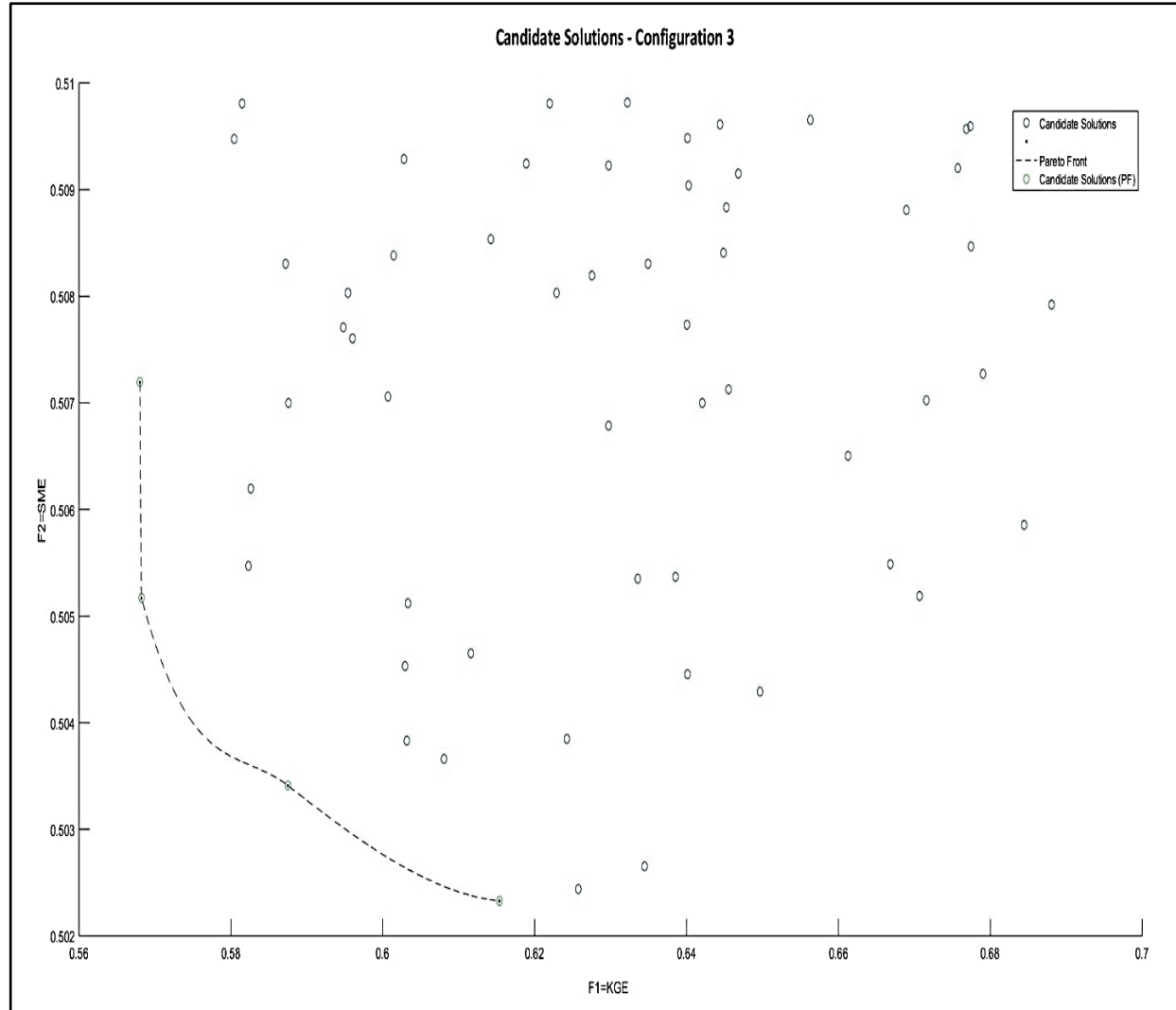
Candidate solutions (Pareto Front) = 4

-> Chosen Candidate Solution

Calibration	Validation
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KGE =	KGE=
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SME=	SME=
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# RESULTS: CONFIGURATION 3 – CALIBRATION (HG)

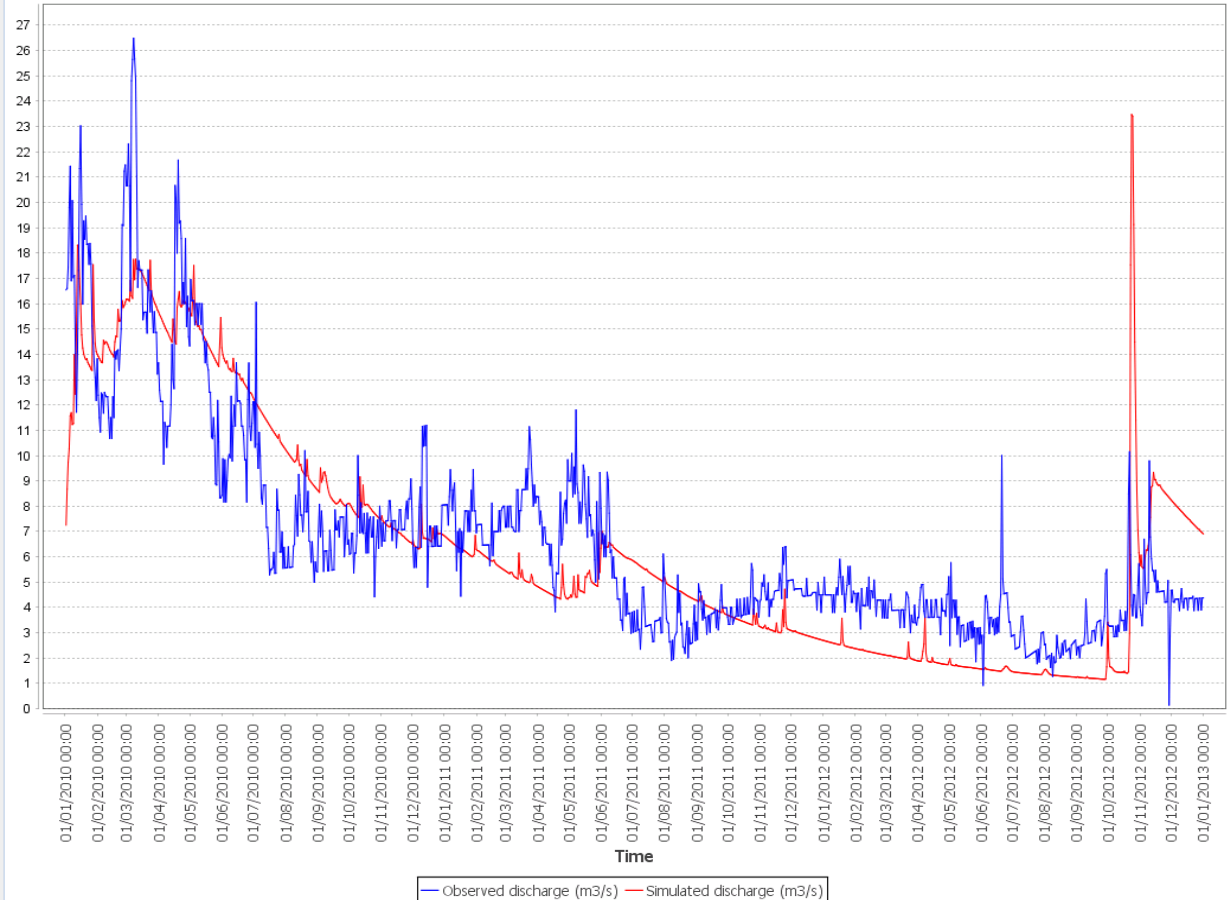
-> State variable: Flow at the catchment outlet point (Q) and **remote-sensed** soil moisture (SM); Multi-objective calibration using MOSCEM-UA

**Calibration: KGE = 0.7321, SME= 0.5836**

## Main Event characteristics

Max. obs. discharge (m <sup>3</sup> /s)	26.491
Max. sim. discharge (m <sup>3</sup> /s)	23.472
RMSE	2.744
Observed peak time	07/03/2010 23:59
Simulated peak time	23/10/2012 23:59
Peak time error (dt)	961
Observed volume (Hm <sup>3</sup> )	637.319
Simulated volume (Hm <sup>3</sup> )	611.474
Volume error (%)	-4.055
Nash and Sutcliffe efficiency	0.5958
Drainage area (km <sup>2</sup> )	4299.650

**Stream gauge section discharge(Q)**



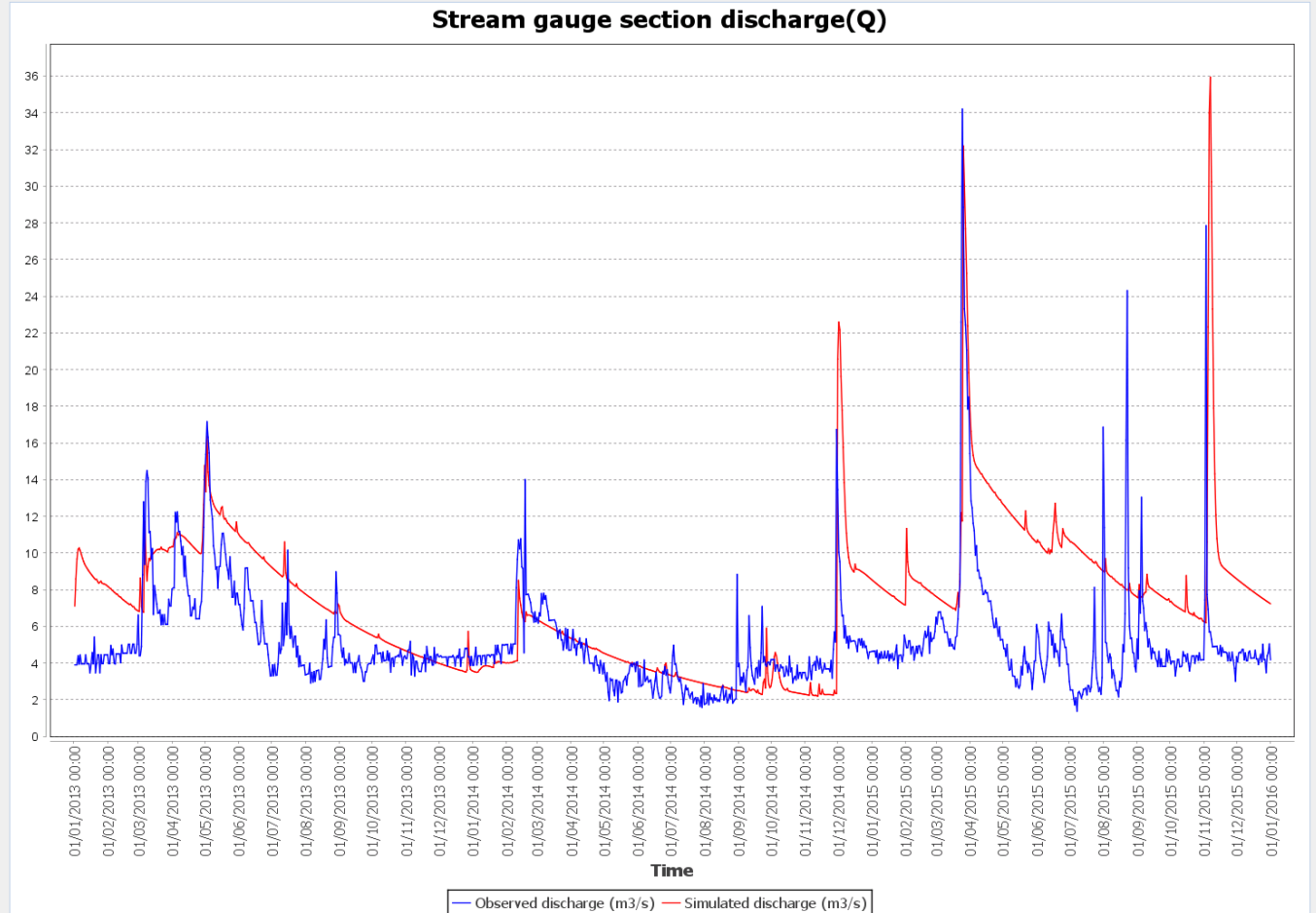


# RESULTS: CONFIGURATION 3 – VALIDATION (HG)

-> State variable: Flow at the catchment outlet point (Q) and **remote-sensed** soil moisture (SM); Multi-objective calibration using MOSCEM-UA

Calibration: KGE = 0.7321, SME= 0.5836; Validation: KGE = 0.62356, SME= 0.5321

Main Event characteristics	
Max. obs. discharge (m3/s)	34.206
Max. sim. discharge (m3/s)	35.939
RMSE	4.100
Observed peak time	24/03/2015 23:59
Simulated peak time	06/11/2015 23:59
Peak time error (dt)	227
Observed volume (Hm3)	484.092
Simulated volume (Hm3)	697.355
Volume error (%)	44.054
Nash and Sutcliffe efficiency	-0.9588
Drainage area (km2)	4299.650



Calibration using a multi-approach configuration (in this case, with two temporal objective-functions) is possible to improve the performance of the model.

Multi-approach calibration, including spatio-temporal information improves the performance of the model even further, pointing out the higher reliability of the obtained parameter values when including spatio-temporal data (in this case, remote-sensed soil moisture) in the calibration model.

Even including spatial patterns implied less reduction in the temporal estimator, the spatio-temporal estimator presented little reduction in the validation step.

In the calibration period, the best results were obtained by the first configuration (only temporal information included), followed by the second configuration (multi-approach but with only temporal information included) and in the last position the third configuration (temporal and spatio-temporal information included).

Even though the performance of the first calibration approach was slightly better than the second and the third, the three calibration approaches provided satisfactory and similar results within the calibration period.

In the validation period, the best results were obtained by the third configuration, followed by the second configuration and in the last position the first configuration.

	Configuration 1	Configuration 2	Configuration 3
Calibration type	Mono-Objective	Multi-Objective	Multi-Objective
Objective-Function 1	KGE	KGE	KGE
Objective-Function 2	-	BE	SME=f(KGE-EOF)
State Variable	T	T/T	T/S-T
Calibration results	KGE=0.8123	KGE=0.7701 BE=9.039	KGE=0.7321 SME=0.5836
Validation results	KGE=0.10112	KGE=0.2150 BE=37.684	KGE=0.62356 SME=0.5321
Result variations	$\Delta KGE=0.7118$ (-)	$\Delta KGE=0.5551$ (-) $\Delta BE=28.645$ (+)	$\Delta KGE=0.10854$ (-) $\Delta SME=0.015$ (-)

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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