

# REMOTE SENSING AND HYDROGEOPHYSICS FOR HYDROGEOLOGICAL CONCEPTUAL MODELS OF HARD ROCKS

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# Presentation plan



- Need for reliable conceptual models (CM);
- Description of the Sardon hard rock study area
- Remote sensing for CM of hard rocks;
- Hydrogeophysics for CM of hard rocks;
- Conclusions

# Conceptual models of hard rocks



- Role of hard rocks in water supply;
- Importance of conceptual models;
- Old vs new concept;

**From a new hydrogeological conceptual model for hard rock aquifers to enhanced practical applications (survey, management of the water resource, modeling, protection, etc.)**

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# What is needed and can be provided by non-invasive methods (RS and hydrogeophysics)?



- Geometry of a system (identification of major faults and fracture systems, water table, aquifer boundaries etc.)
- System parameterization (flow and storage properties of a system)
- Spatiotemporal fluxes

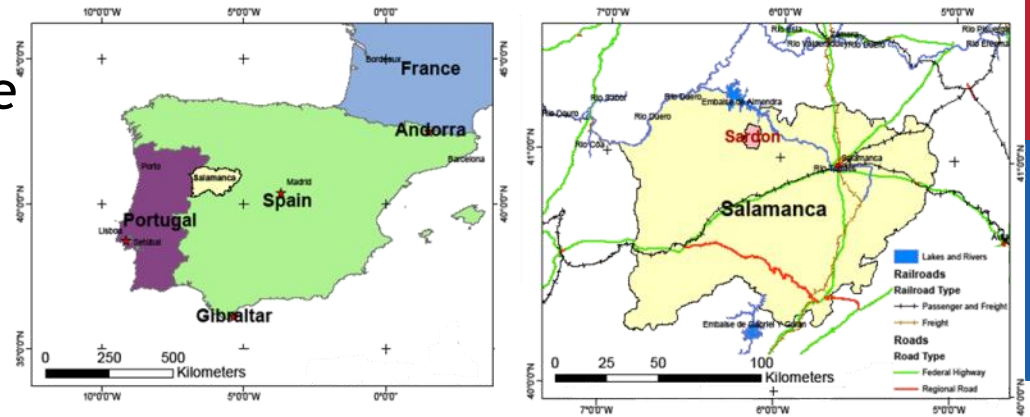


**OBJECTIVE**

# HARD ROCK STUDY CASE - SARDÓN CATCHMENT



- Semi-arid climate
- weathered and fractured granite
- shallow water table (~2 m)
- limited human influence on water resources
- 22 years continuously operating monitoring network





# Sardon catchment - dry & wet seasons

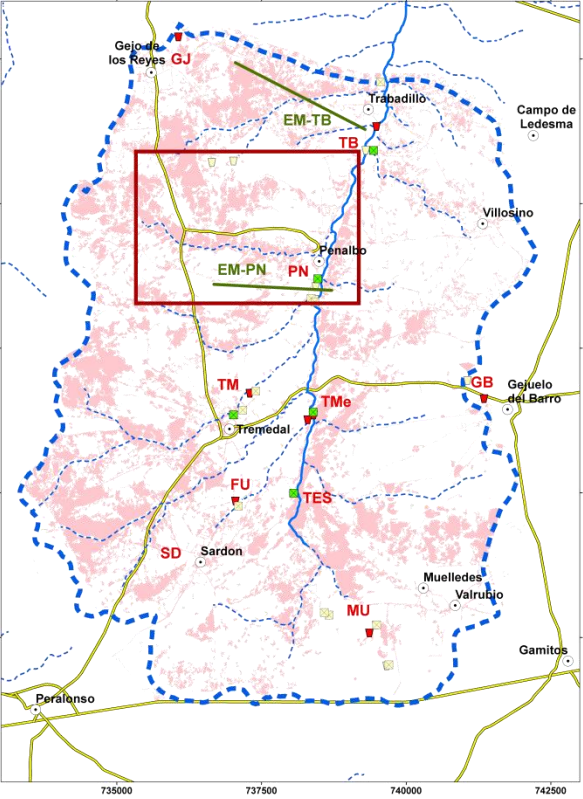
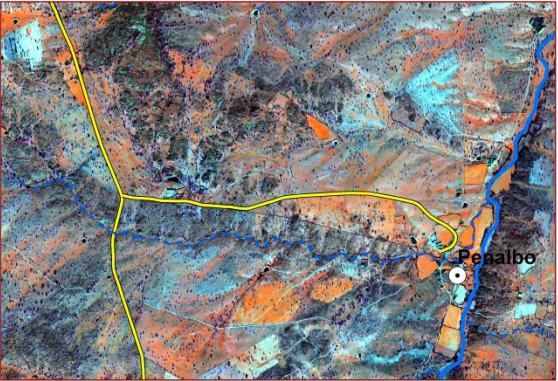
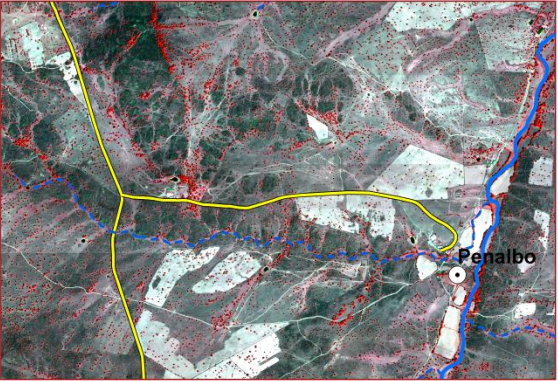


# REMOTE SENSING CONTRIBUTION TO CONCEPTUAL MODELS



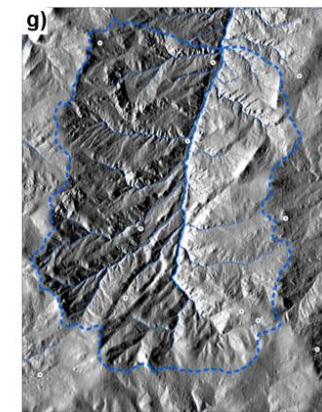
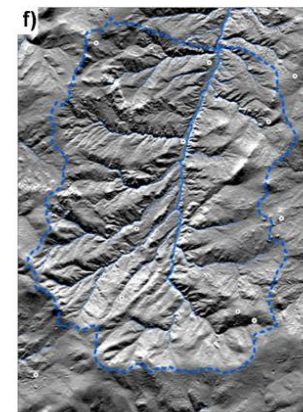
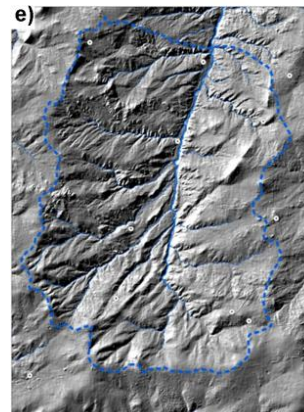
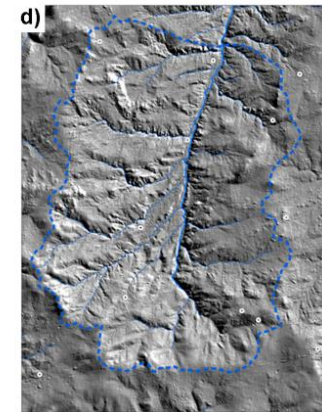
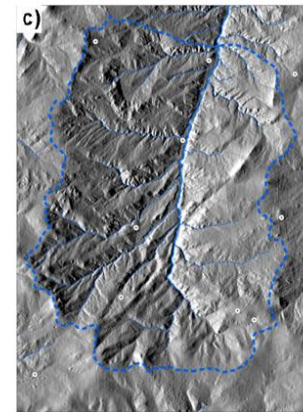
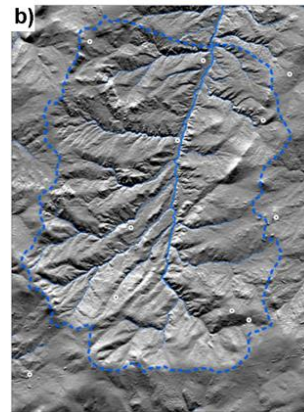
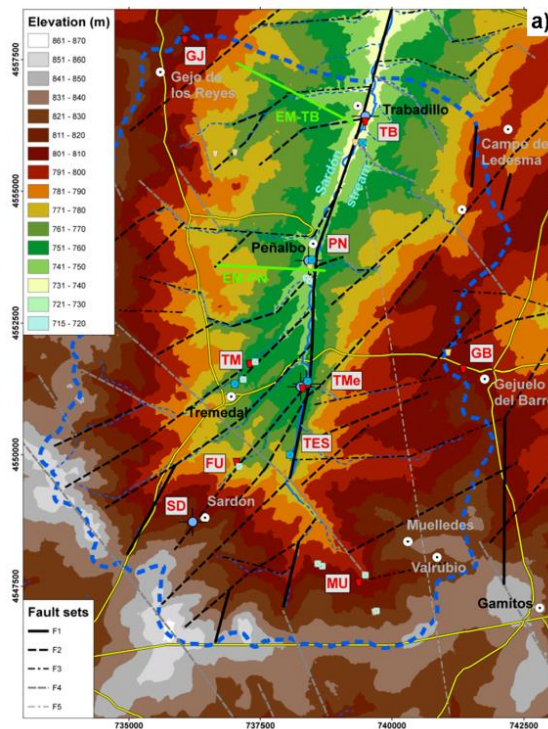


# Remote sensing for soil and outcrop mapping



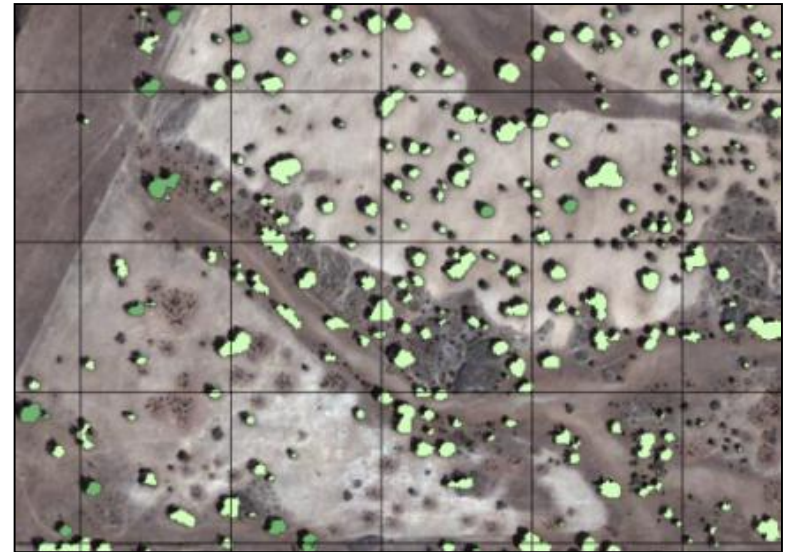


# Remote sensing for fracture mapping



Francés, A.P., Lubczynski, M.W., Roy, J., Monteiro Santos, F.A. and Mahmoudzadeh, M.R. (2014) Hydrogeophysics and remote sensing for the design of hydrogeological conceptual models in hard rocks - Sardón catchment, Spain. *Journal of applied geophysics*, 110 (2014) pp. 63-81.

# Remote sensing identification of tree canopies for tree transpiration and interception mapping



Reyes-Acosta, J.L. and Lubczynski, M.W. (2013) Mapping dry - season tree transpiration of an oak woodland at the catchment scale, using object - attributes derived from satellite imagery and sap flow measurements. In: *Agricultural and forest meteorology*, 174-175, pp. 184-201.

Tanvir-Hassan, Ghimire, and Lubczynski (2016) Remote sensing upscaling of interception loss from isolated oaks: Sardon Catchment case study, Spain. In review in *Journal of hydrology*.

# Other remote sensing applications



- Rainfall;
- Evapotranspiration
- Soil moisture
- Subsurface (GW) water storage

# HYDROGEOPHYSICS CONTRIBUTION TO CONCEPTUAL MODELS





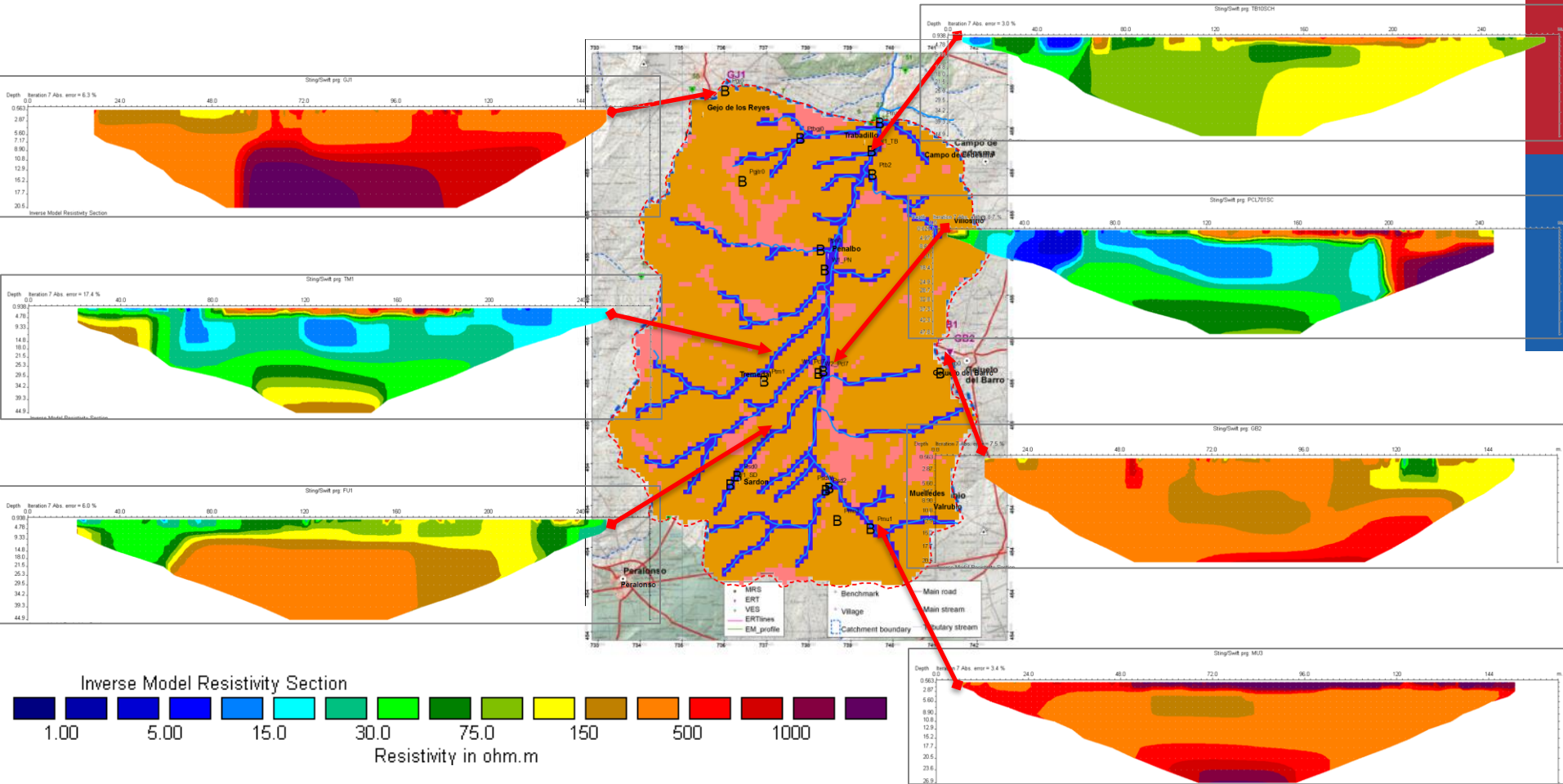
# Groundwater table depth with GPR



Ground  
penetrating  
radar (GPR)  
in its standard  
implementation

Mahmoudzadeh, M.R., Francés, A.P., Lubczynski, M.W. and Lambot, S. (2012) Using ground penetrating radar to investigate the water table depth in weathered granites : Sardon case study, Spain. *Journal of applied geophysics*, 79 p. 17-26.

# ELECTRICAL RESISTIVITY TOMOGRAPHY (ERT)



# Top soil thickness with electromagnetic methods



## EM31



## EM34

Francés, A.P. and Lubczynski, M.W. (2011) Topsoil thickness prediction at the catchment scale by integration of invasive sampling, surface geophysics, remote sensing and statistical modeling. *Journal of hydrology*, 405 (2011)1-2 pp. 31-47.

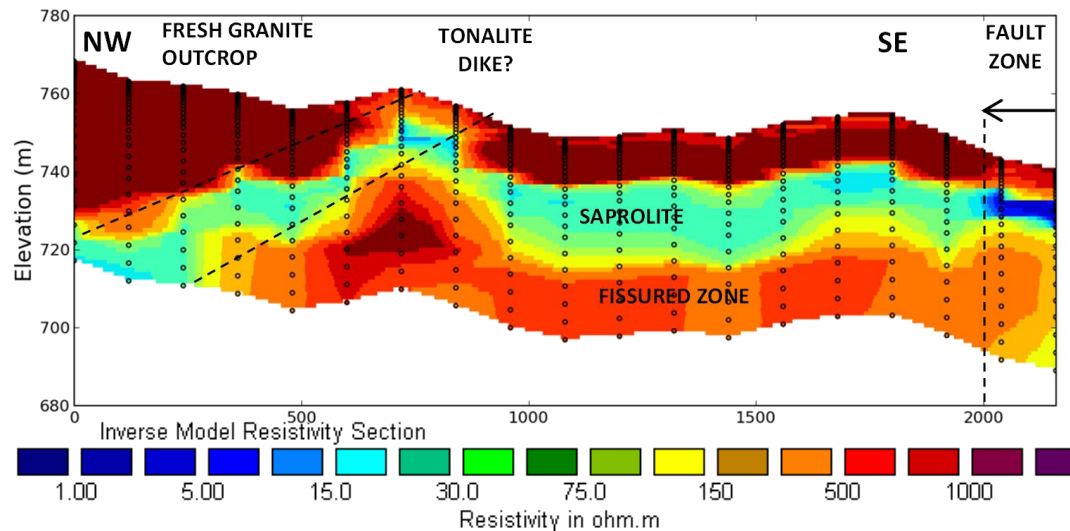


# Hydrostratigraphic layering with MaxMin



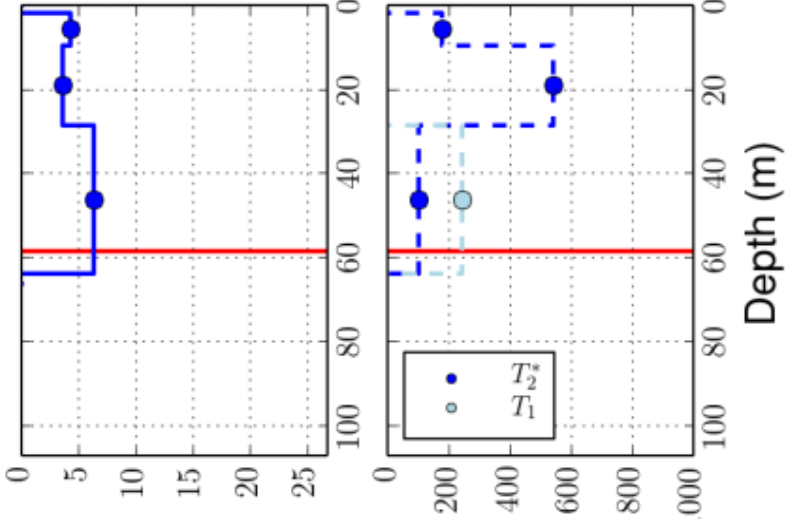
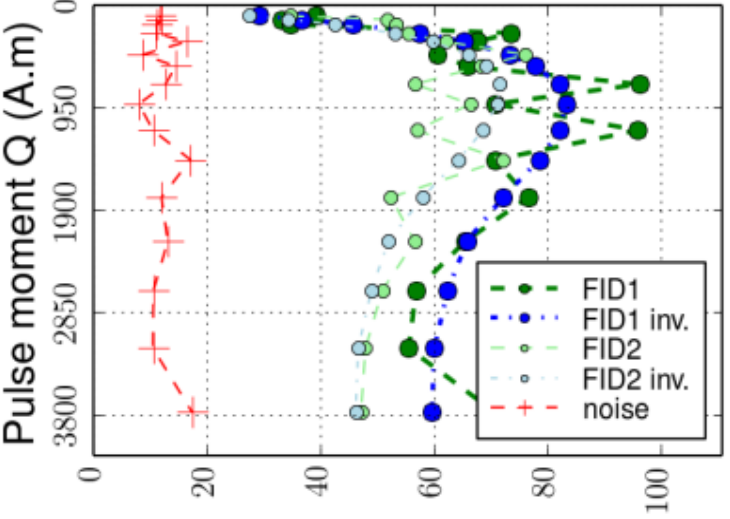
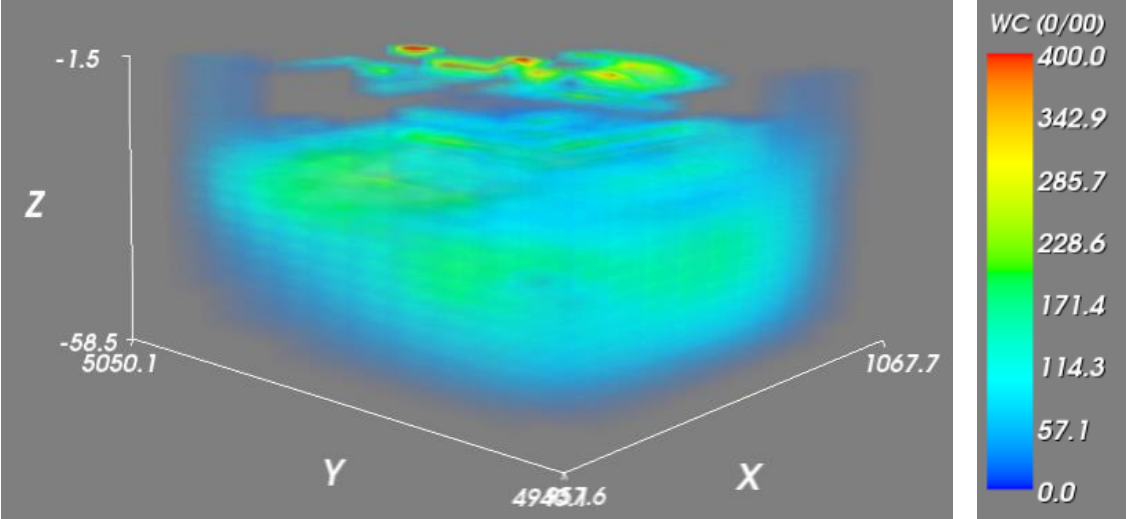
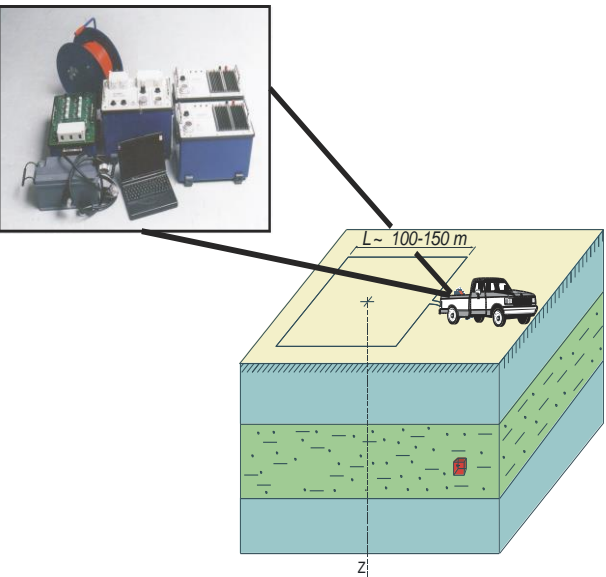
Multi-frequency (444 Hz to 56 kHz)  
EM in horizontal coplanar loops  
system (Slingram) on a rigid frame

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# Magnetic Resonance Sounding for aquifer parameterization



E0 (nV)

Water content (%) Decay constant (ms)

# For saprolite validation



# For fractured granite validation

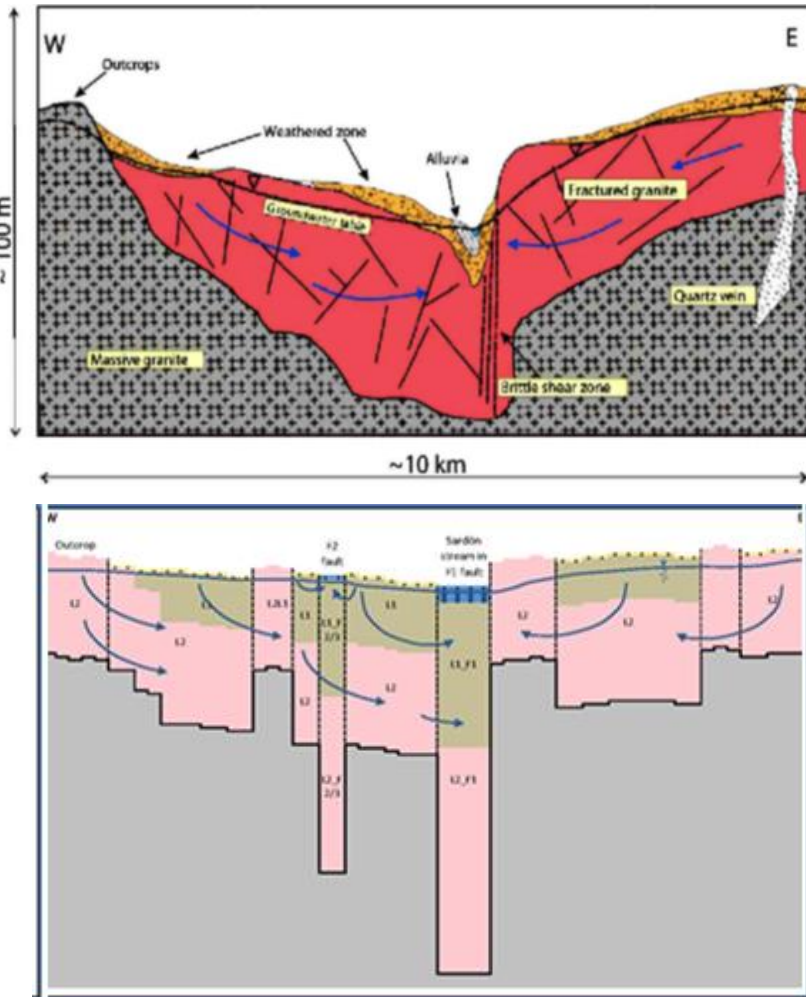


DRILLER'S LOG													W1_PJ7										
DRILLING SUMMARY																							
Drilling Technique	Cable tool (P) Rotary mud (R)	Auger Rotary air (R)	Down-hole hammer (R)	Other (specify)	Final depth of the bore (m)	38	Deviation from vertical (°)	0	Geological settings: highly weathered granite in fault zone				Remarks: Air flow development: 15mm from 32m to 35m (column inserted at 28m up to 32m)										
					Final depth of the well (m)	35	Azimuth of deviated bore (°)	0															
Depth (m)	Log	Rock Type	Bore diameter (mm)	Samples	Drilling rate	Surficial isolation casing	Casing		Screen		Cuttings (Dm)				Remarks								
							Inside diam (mm)	Ext. diam (mm)	Material	Inlet type <sup>a</sup>	Number & size diam. (mm)	Dry	Damp	Slurry	Black	Grey	Red	Brown					
-1																							
0																							
1		Soil (loam sandy)																					
2		Soil + Quarzitic clasts	250			0.1 to 5.2 iron casing inside O 230mm, outside O 238+2 (spiral)																	
3																							
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19		weathered clayey granite, very plastic, sometimes reddish, alternance with coarser, grey, less plastic, quartz clasts (1-2mm)	220																				
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27							138	160	PVC 12.5 atm (light blue)	Slotted (hand made)	Longitudinal every 40/50 cm, size 3mm*120												

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# Conceptual models developed



Lubczynski, M.W. and Gurwin, J. (2005) Integration of various data sources for transient groundwater modeling with spatio-temporally variable fluxes : Sardon study case, Spain. In: *Journal of hydrology*, 306 (2005)1-4 pp. 71-96.

Tanvir Hassan, S.M., Lubczynski, M.W., Niswonger, R.G. and Su, Z. (2014) Surface - groundwater interactions in hard rocks in Sardon Catchment of western Spain : an integrated modeling approach. In: *Journal of hydrology*, 517, pp. 390-410.

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Weldemichael, M.Y. (2016) Integrated numerical modeling applying stratiform hydrogeological conceptual model : Sardon catchment study case, Spain. Enschede, University of Twente Faculty of Geo-Information and Earth Observation (ITC).

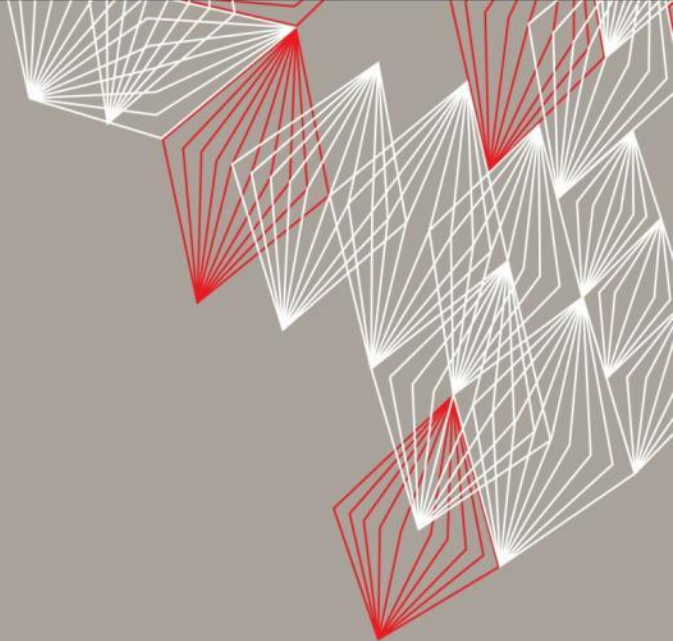




# CONCLUSIONS

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- Remote sensing is suitable for surface, spatial and some spatio-temporal contributions to conceptual models in hard rocks;
- Different non-invasive hydrogeophysical methods contribute differently to conceptual models in hard rocks:
  - GPR could detect water table but only in <3m depth and only when referenced to piezometers;
  - ERT was supportive in subsurface layering but not time efficient
  - Among EM methods the most successful was FDEM, providing similar quality info as ERT but in more time efficient way
  - MRS is the only method that can parameterize system, but its application was limited to sites with sufficiently strong signal (due to sufficient amount of water) that were not common
- The stratiform concept of Lachassgne et al. was implemented successfully although it was not possible to calibrate model with larger K of fissured rocks than saprolite



THANK YOU FOR COMING 😊

