



Disaster Analysis using **xpswmm**: *Some modelling tips*

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Flood – the most devastation disaster

Flood/Tsunami is one of the worst disaster in Japan and around the world. We still remember –

- **Boxing Day Tsunami** in Indian ocean 2004
 - Deaths - 230,000+ (14 countries)
 - Waves up to 30 meters
- **East Japan Tsunami** 2011
 - Deaths: 15,828 (missing 3,760)
 - Buildings destroyed: 125,000
- **Brisbane Flooding** in 2011
 - Deaths: 35 (missing 9)
 - Damages: A\$30 billion

Brisbane Flood (2011)



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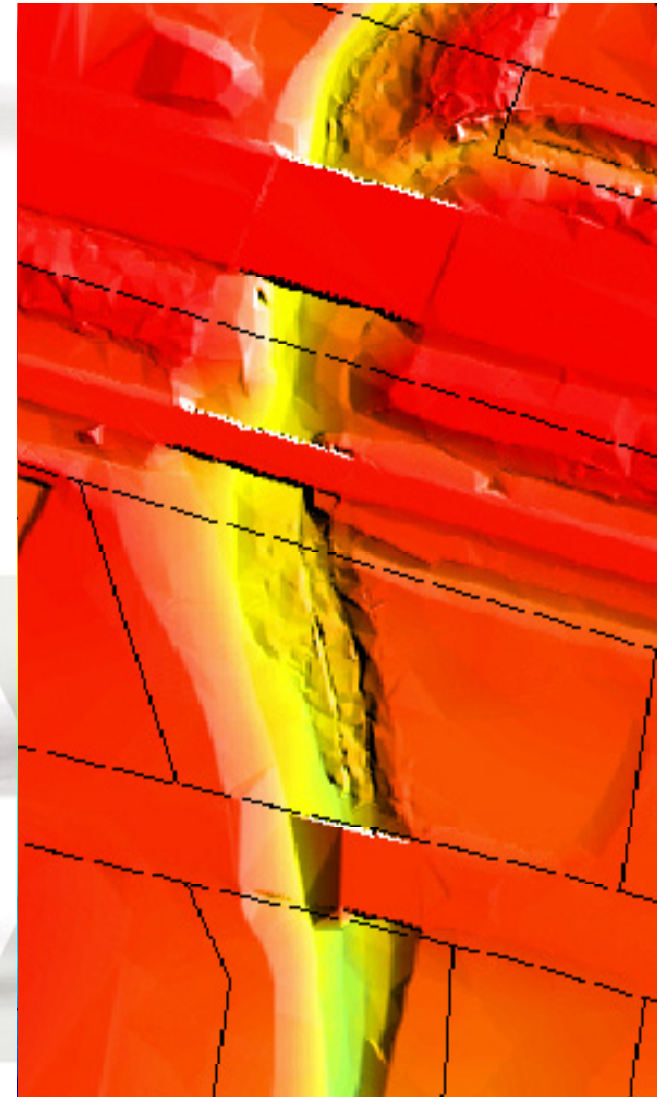
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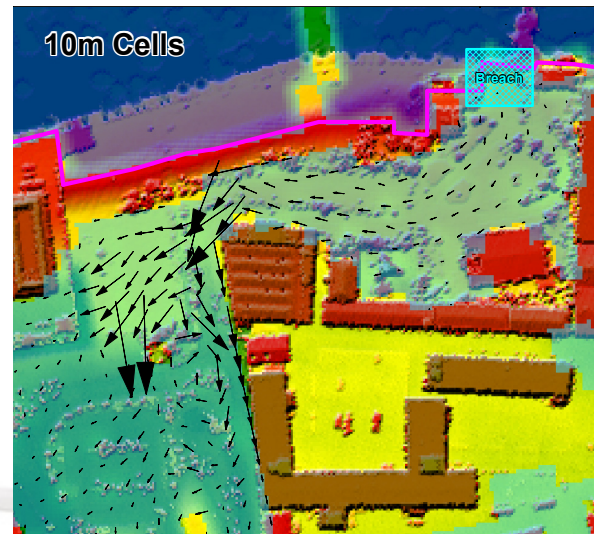
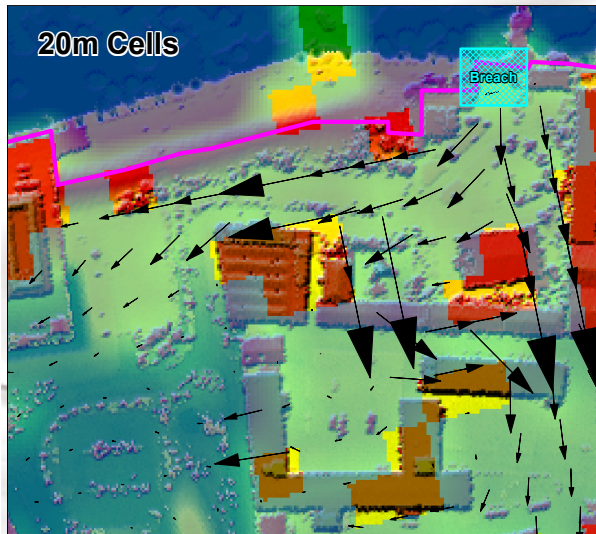
DTM Quality & Basic Decision

- DTM Quality – very important
 - Resolution of topography data
- River in 1D or 2D ?
 - Depends on river width and cell size
 - DTM quality to represent the river x-section
- Cell Size Selection
 - Small enough to meet hydraulic objectives
 - Large enough to minimise run-times
 - Coarser than DTM



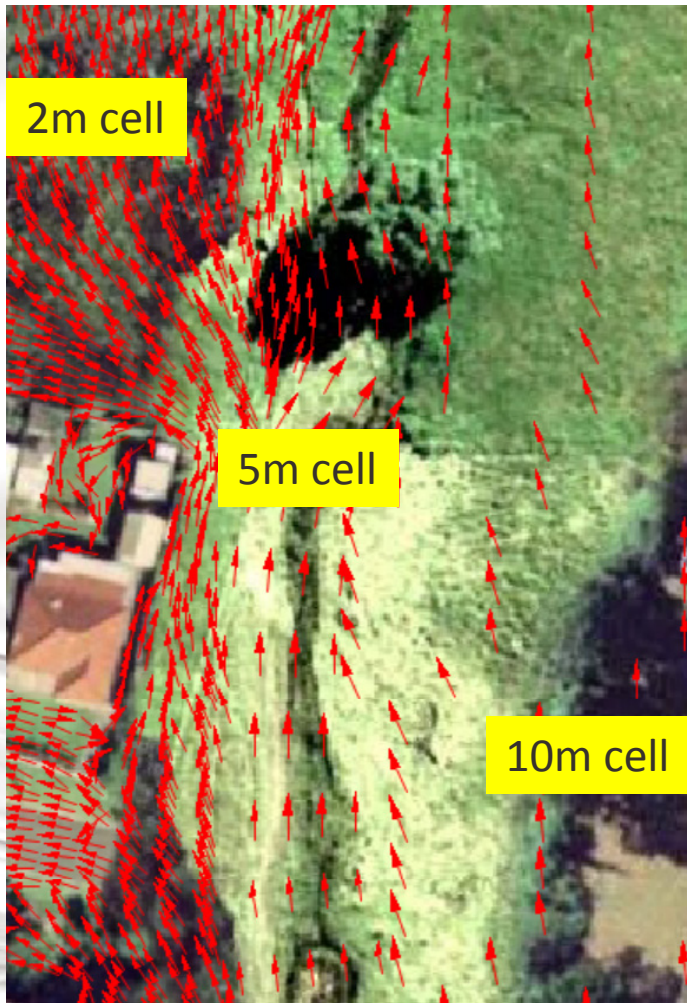
Garbage In, Garbage Out

Influence of Cell Size



*Halving the cell size increases run-time by a factor of eight (8)
– keep this in mind!*

Multi - Grids



- Multi Grid option may necessary

For example

- *2m in Urban Area*
- *5m in River*
- *10m in Undeveloped Floodplain*

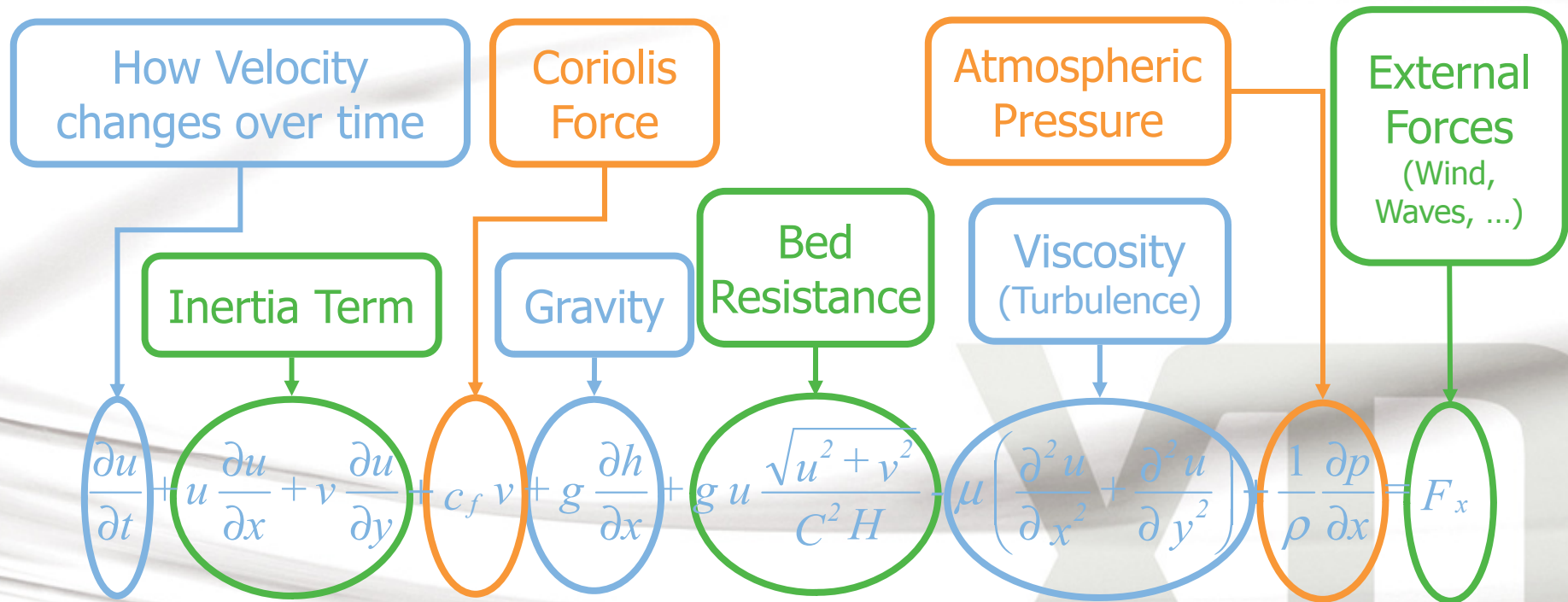


2D Theory

Inside the Black Box



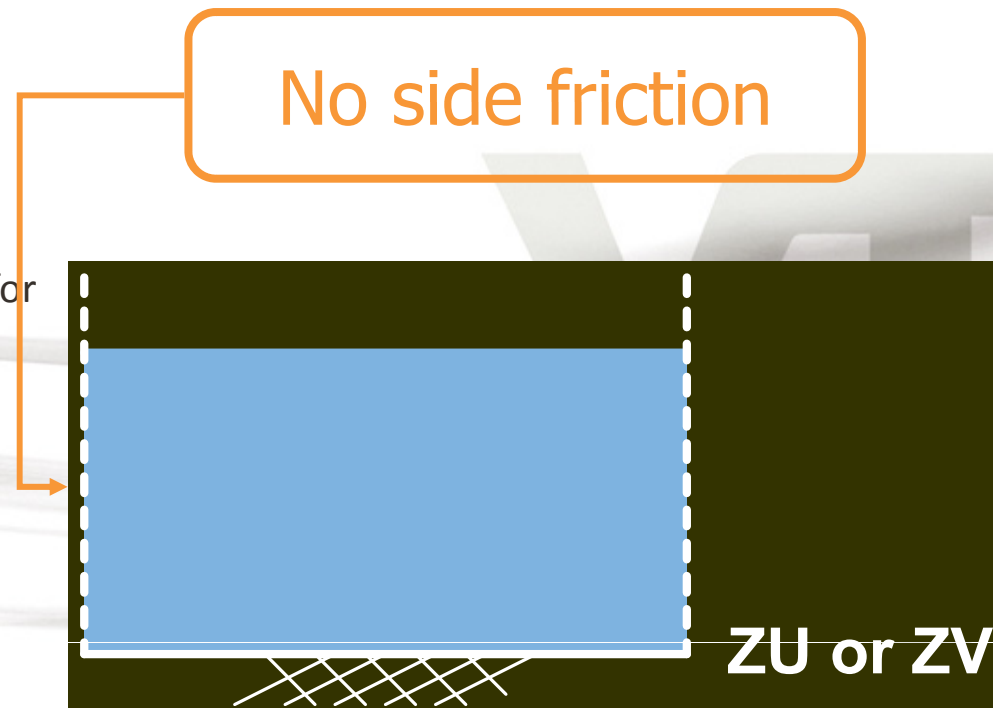
The Equations: Momentum Equation



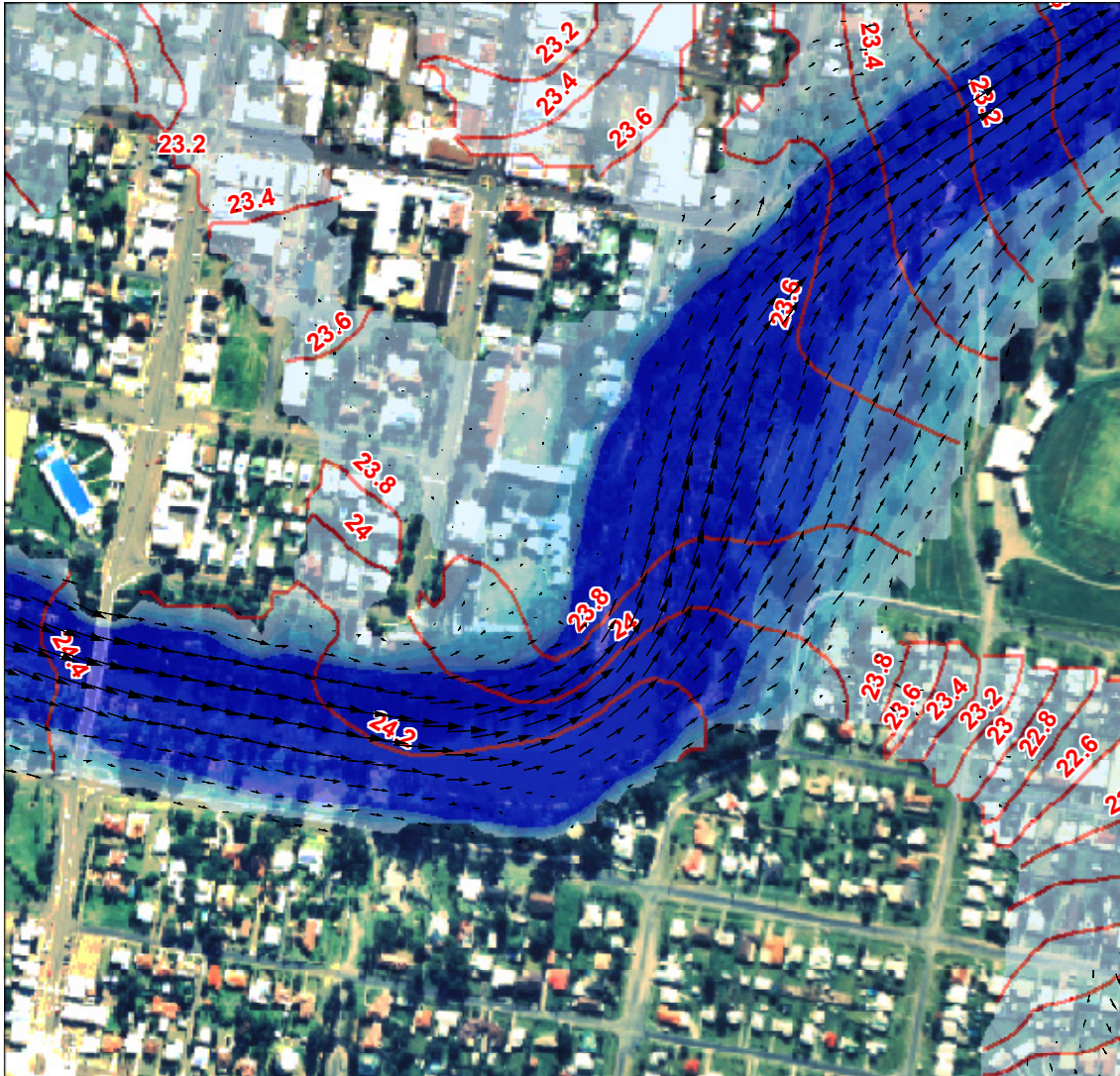
Important Terms: Bed Resistance

- Manning's Roughness (n)
- Often it is the most dominant term
- When compared with 1D, 2D n -value maybe:

- Higher
(due to no side friction)
- Lower
(little or no need to account for
form losses)



Important Terms: Inertia

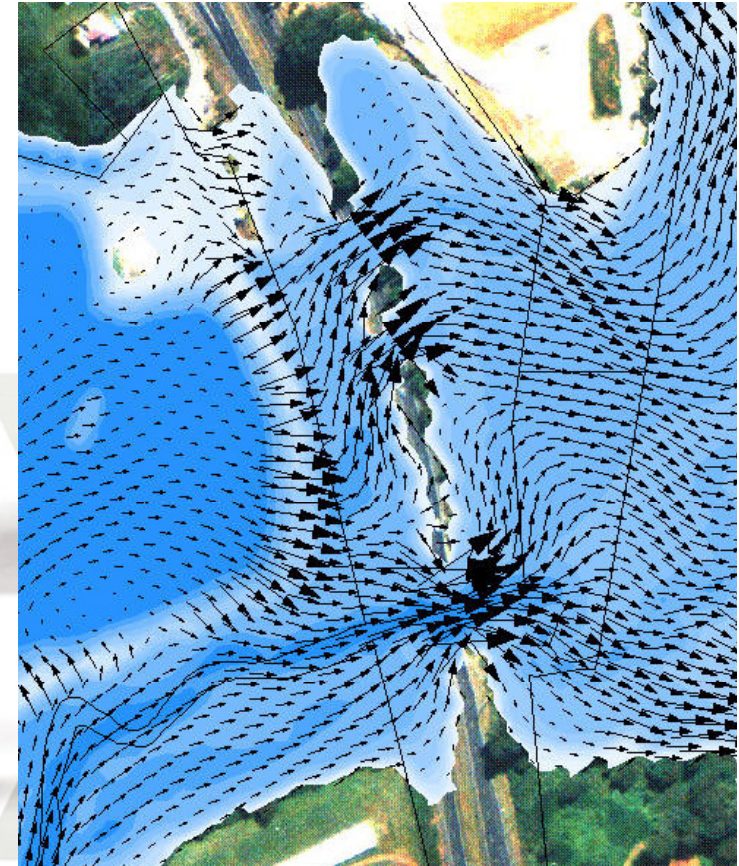


- Very important where velocity
 - Speeds up or slows down
 - Changes direction
- Essential at structures and bends

- 0.4m superelevation across the river banks at bend (20 m deep & 4 m/s)

Important Terms: Viscosity/Turbulence

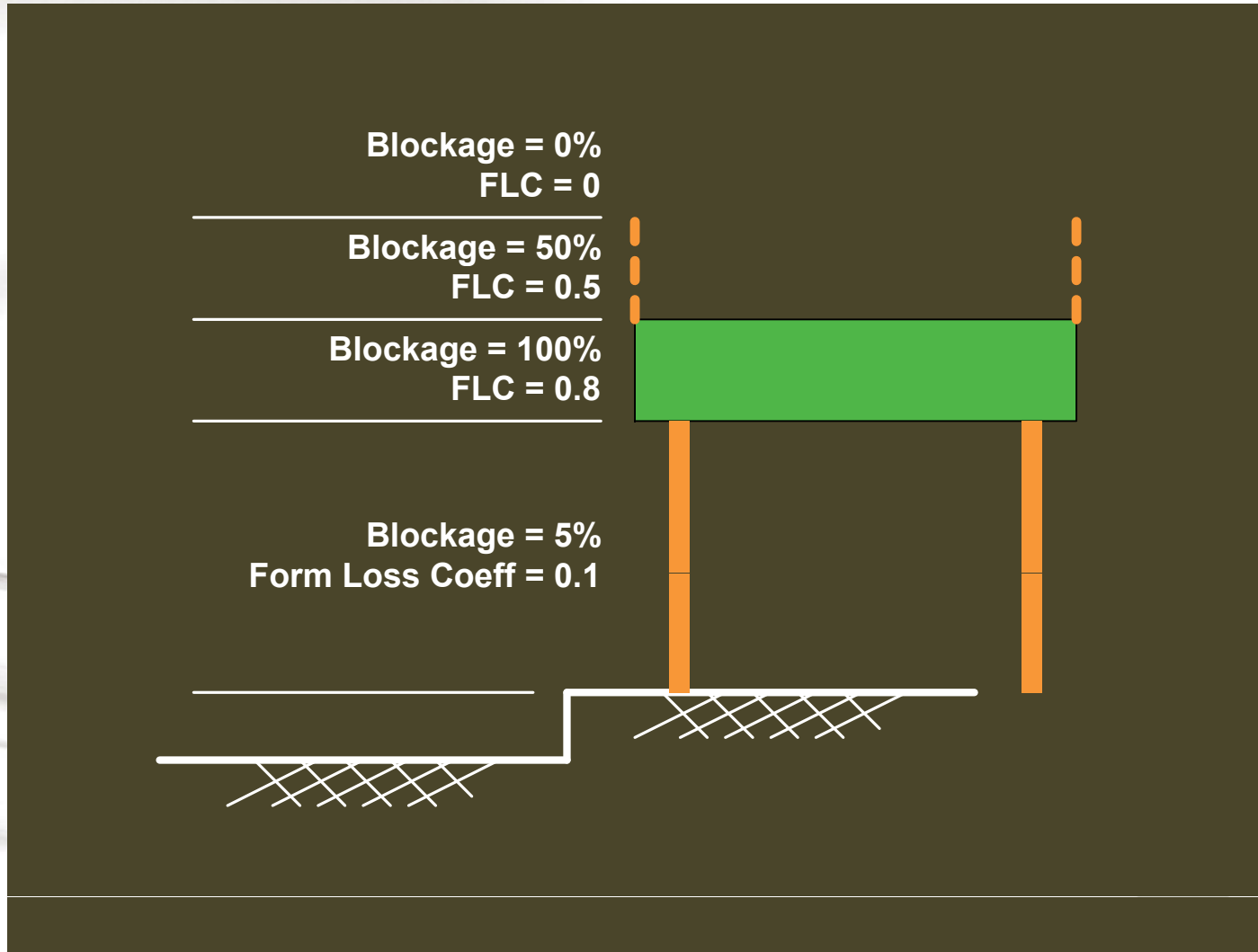
- Important where bed resistance term does not dominate and a rapid changes in velocity occur – usually:
 - Where Manning's n values are low and/or in deep water zone
 - And where there is Flow constrictions
- Smagorinsky formula is preferred (default)
(Varies coefficient based on velocity gradient)
- Some 2D schemes omit this term



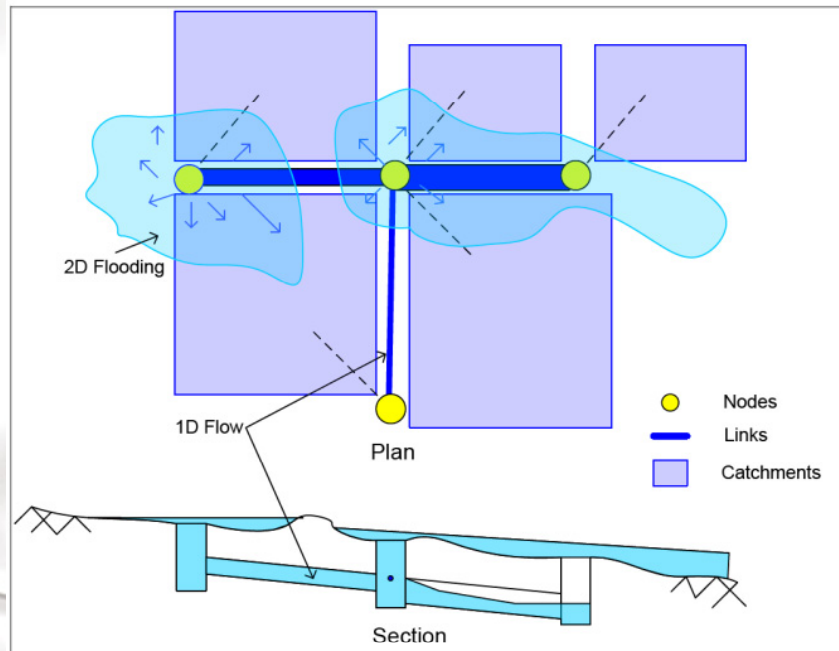
Important Terms: Additional Energy Loss

- Energy dissipated as heat due to changes in velocity magnitude and/or direction
- Pronounced at
 - Bends
 - Flow constrictions (structures)
 - Basement floors
 - Subway stations
 - Bridge piers
 - 3D effects
 - Expansion losses at Vena Contracta
- Represented as “Form loss” coefficient
 - Proportion of dynamic head ($V^2/2g$) lost
 - Usually it would be a calibration parameter

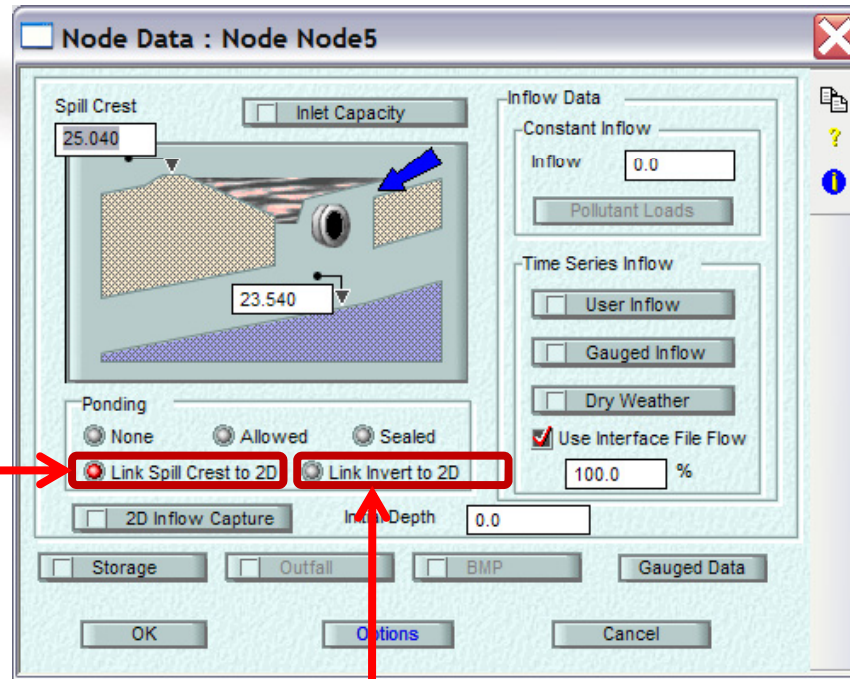
Layered Blockage



1D Manhole & 2D Linking



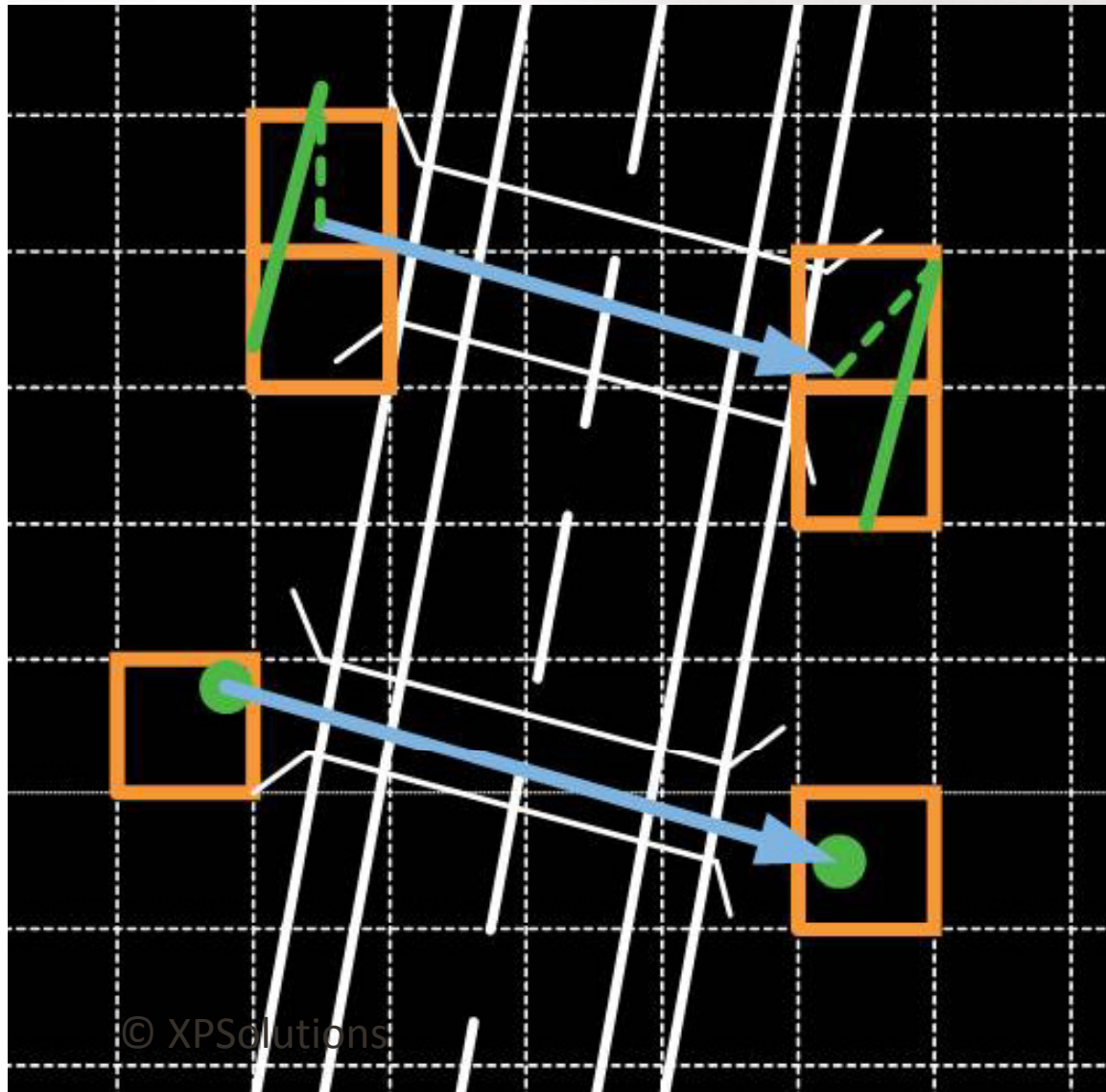
Link to Spill – Manhole



Link to Invert: Culvert

1D Culvert & 2D Linking

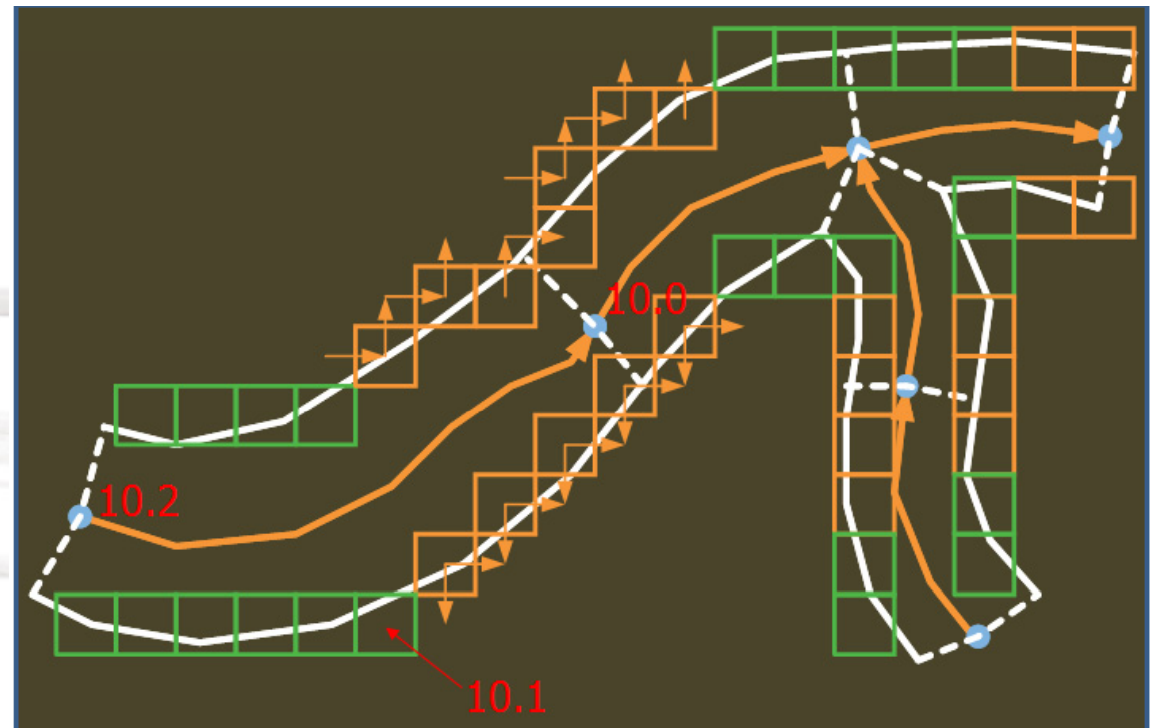
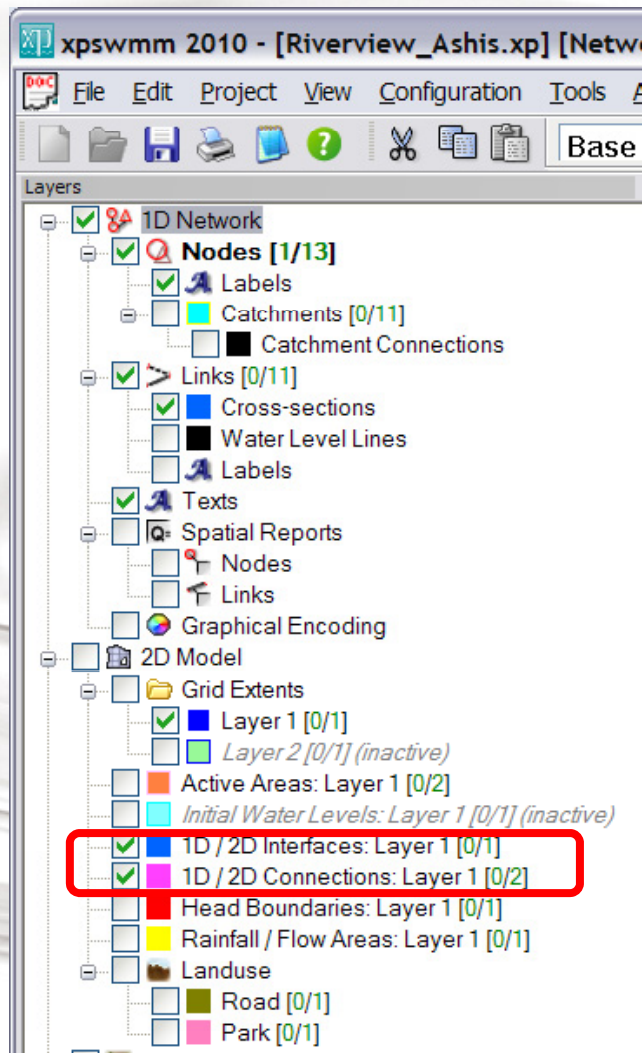
Culvert Through an Embankment



- Large 1D structure linked to several 2D cell
- Small 1D structure linked to single 2D cell

1D River & 2D Linking

- Create 1d/2d interface line **along river banks**
- Connect 1d nodal point to 1d/2d interface line



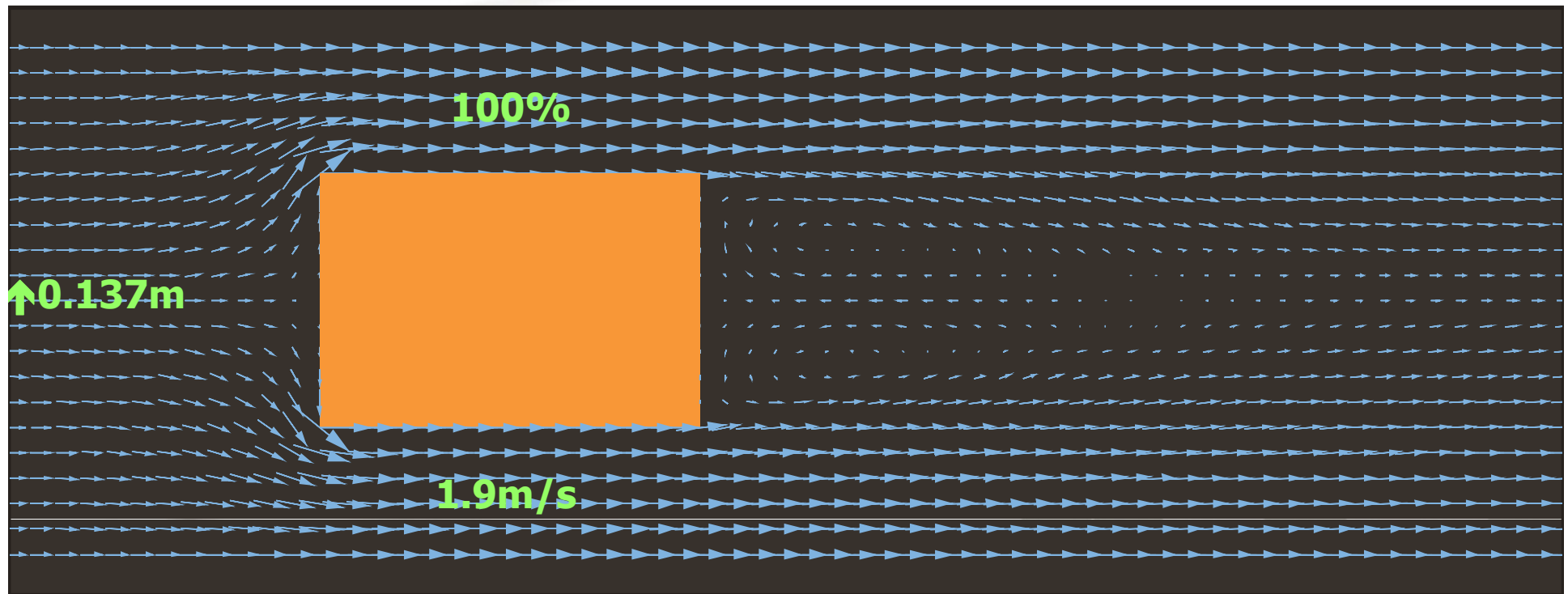
Modelling Buildings?



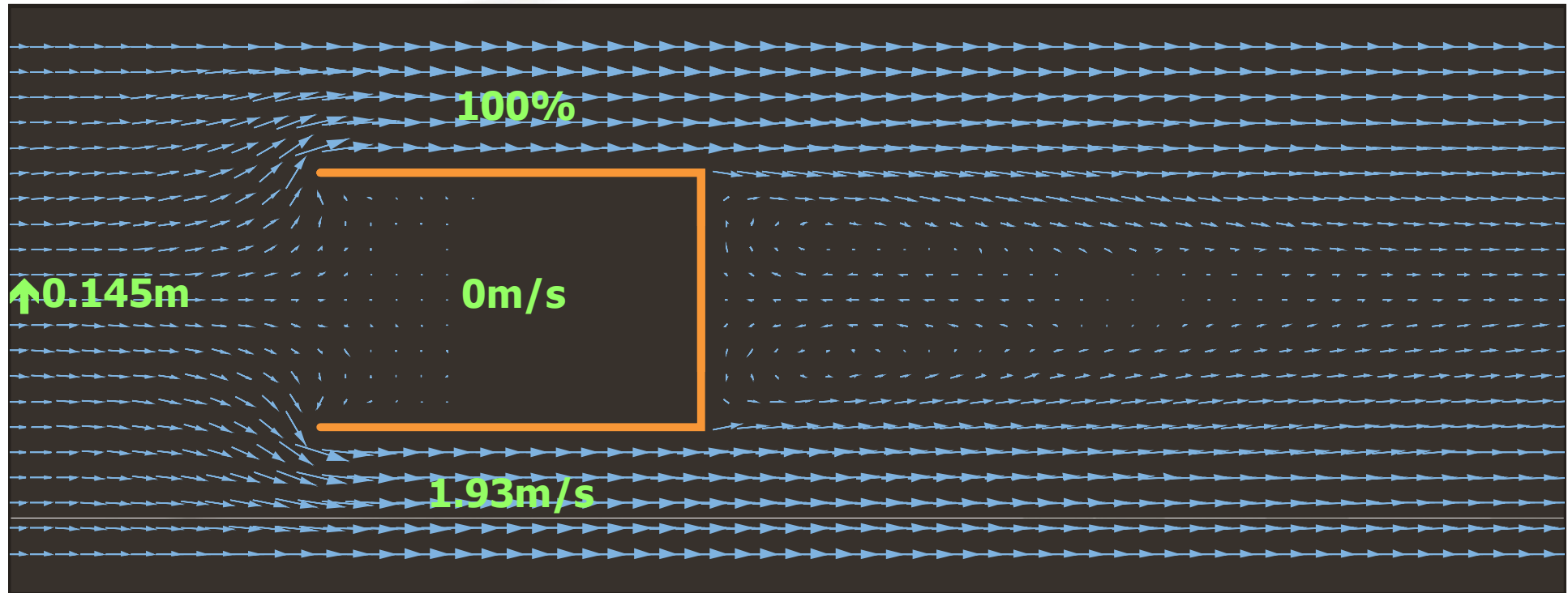
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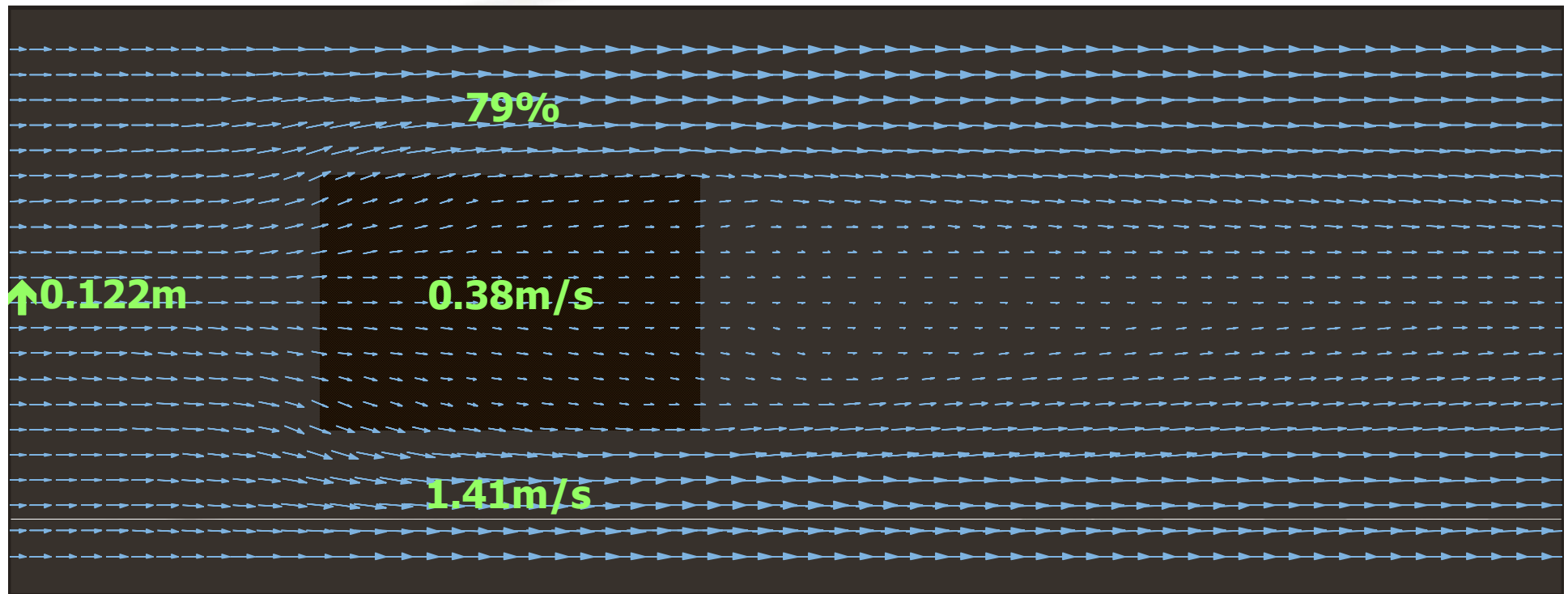
Modelling Buildings Block Cells Out



Modelling Building Walls Blocked/Open Upstream

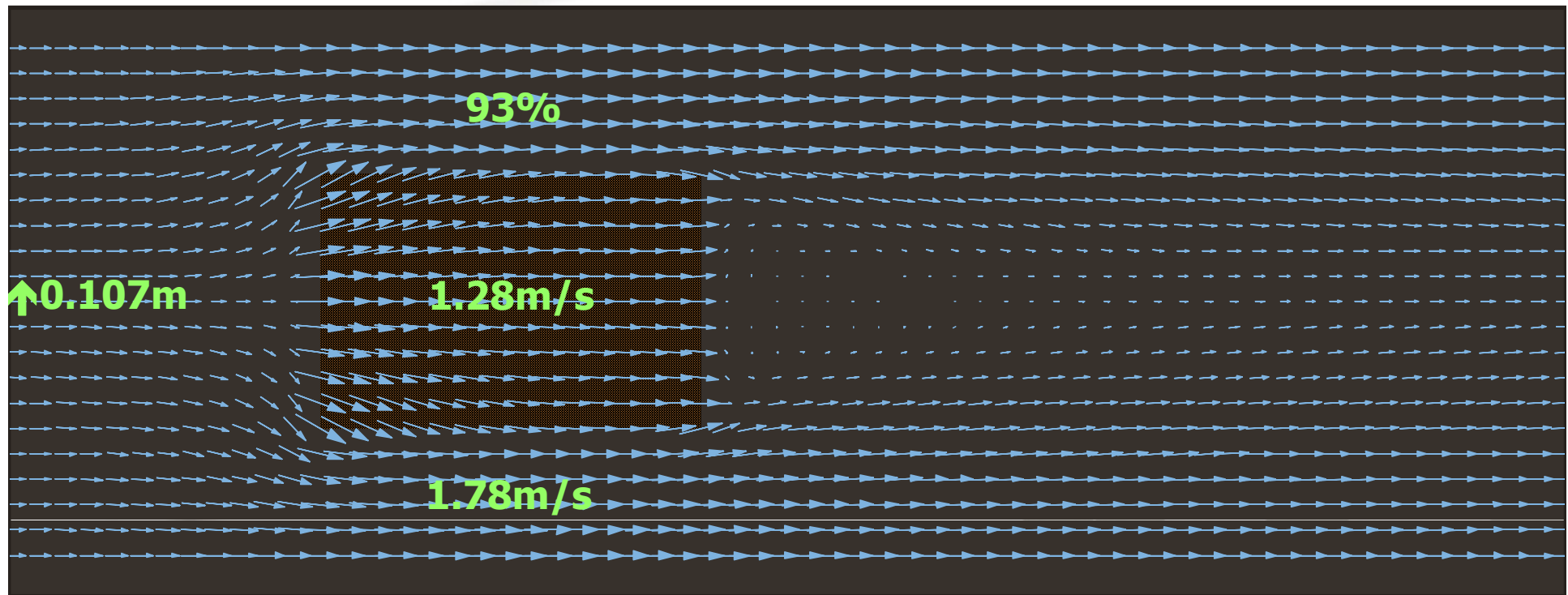


Modelling Building Roughened Up ($n = 0.3$)



Modelling Building Porous (Blockage = 90%)

*Energy Loss ($0.1 * V^2 / 2g$)*



Hazard?

Blocked Out

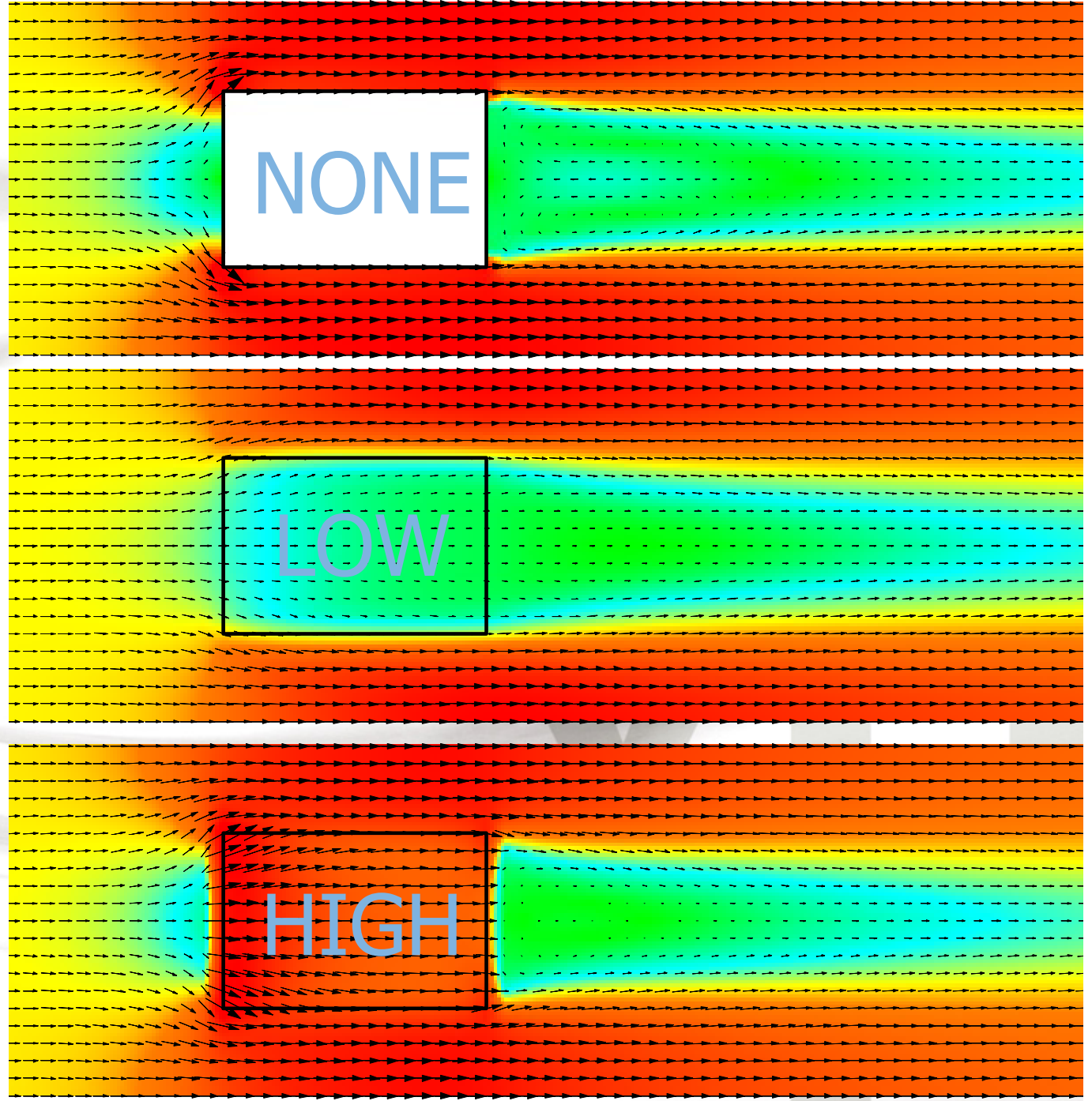
NONE

High
Roughness

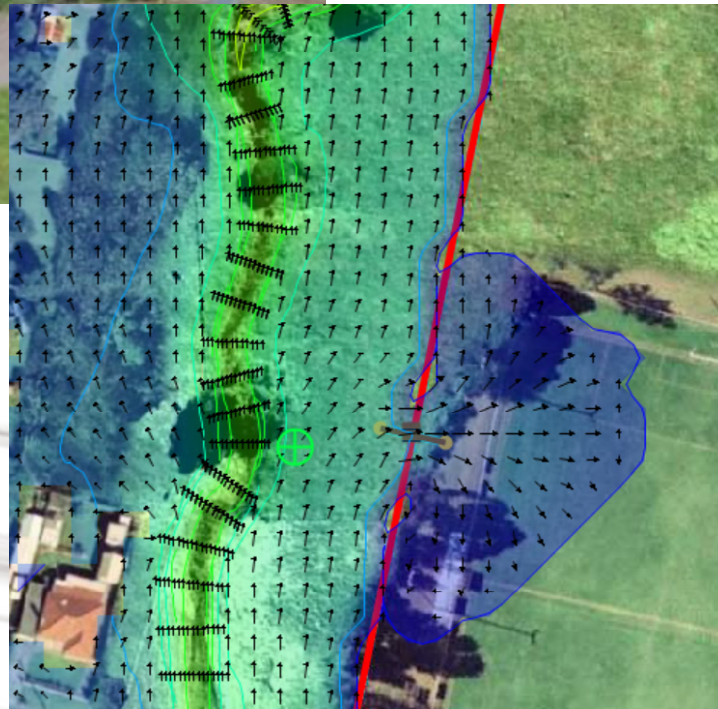
LOW

Porous

HIGH



Levee/Dam/Fence Break



- Proper Breaking condition setting is essential

2D Dynamic Elevation Shape (Polyline)

Line Type
 Thin Thick Width

Trigger By:
 Start Time hours
 Water Level At Trigger at Value
 Water Level Difference between Trigger
and Trigger at Value
Depth
Difference in Depth

Elevation Modification
 Lower where current elevations are higher
 Raise where current elevations are lower
 Change all elevations

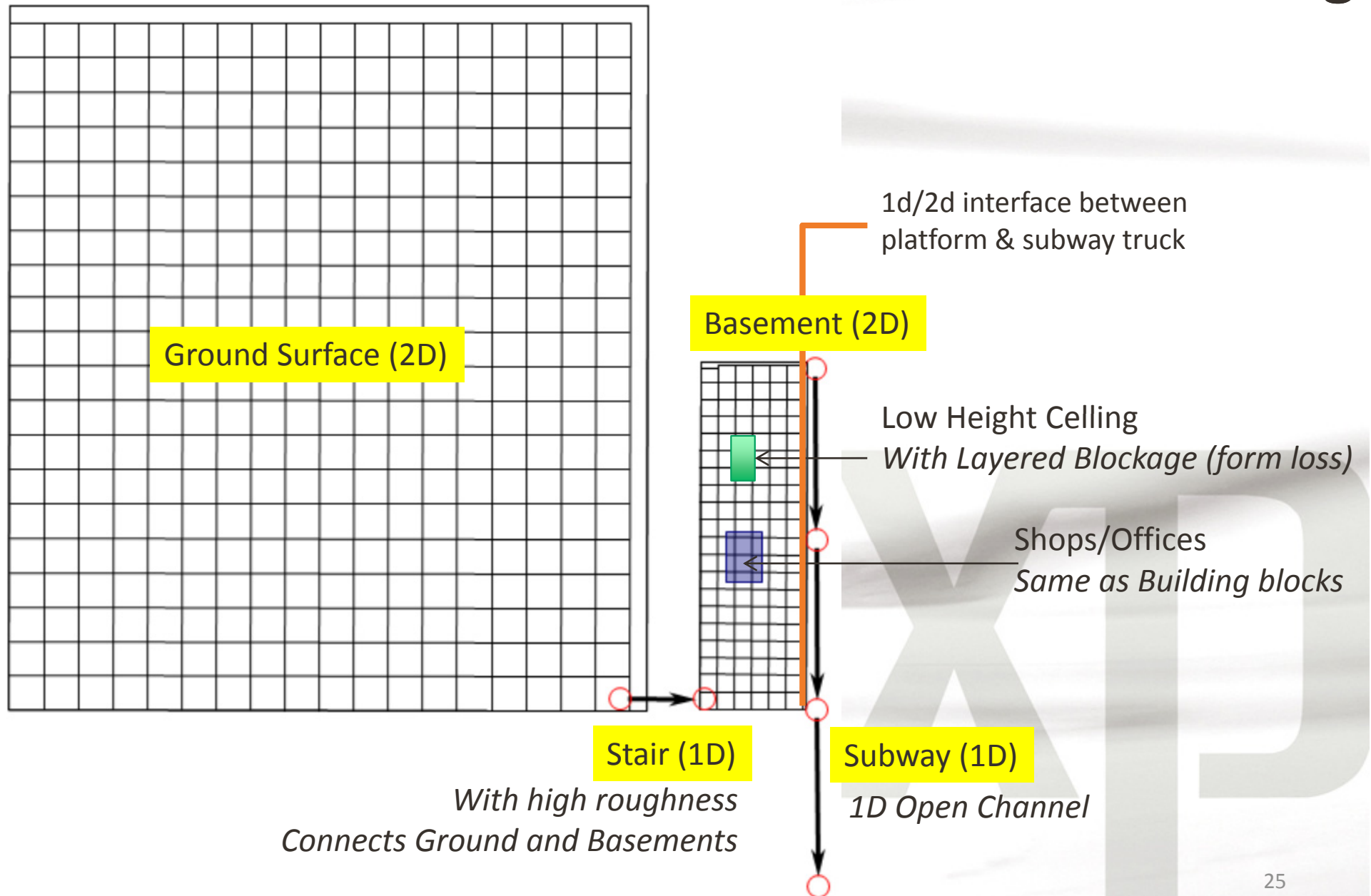
Final Perimeter Elevation
 Constant Elevation
 Variable

	X	Y	Z(DTM)	Z
1	293293.566	6178078.746	41.417	
2	293305.965	6178075.938	41.460	

Adjustment to all Elevations
Time to Reach Final Elevation

OK Cancel

Basement Flooding



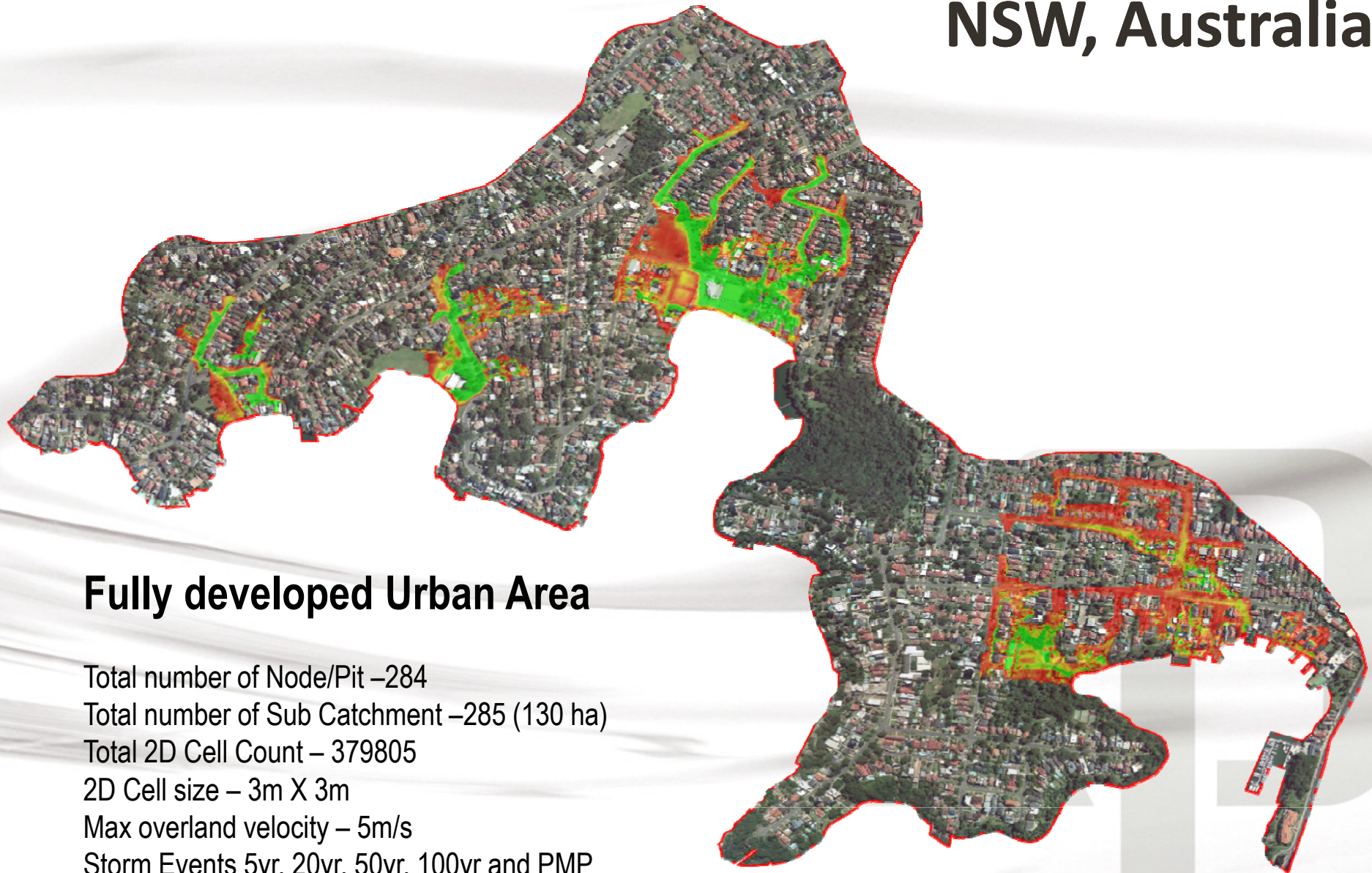


XP2D Application

100s of Project Done

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Case Study: NSW, Australia



Fully developed Urban Area

Total number of Node/Pit –284
Total number of Sub Catchment –285 (130 ha)
Total 2D Cell Count – 379805
2D Cell size – 3m X 3m
Max overland velocity – 5m/s
Storm Events 5yr, 20yr, 50yr, 100yr and PMP

Case Study: QLD, Australia

Rural Mining Area

Node – Total 300 (active)

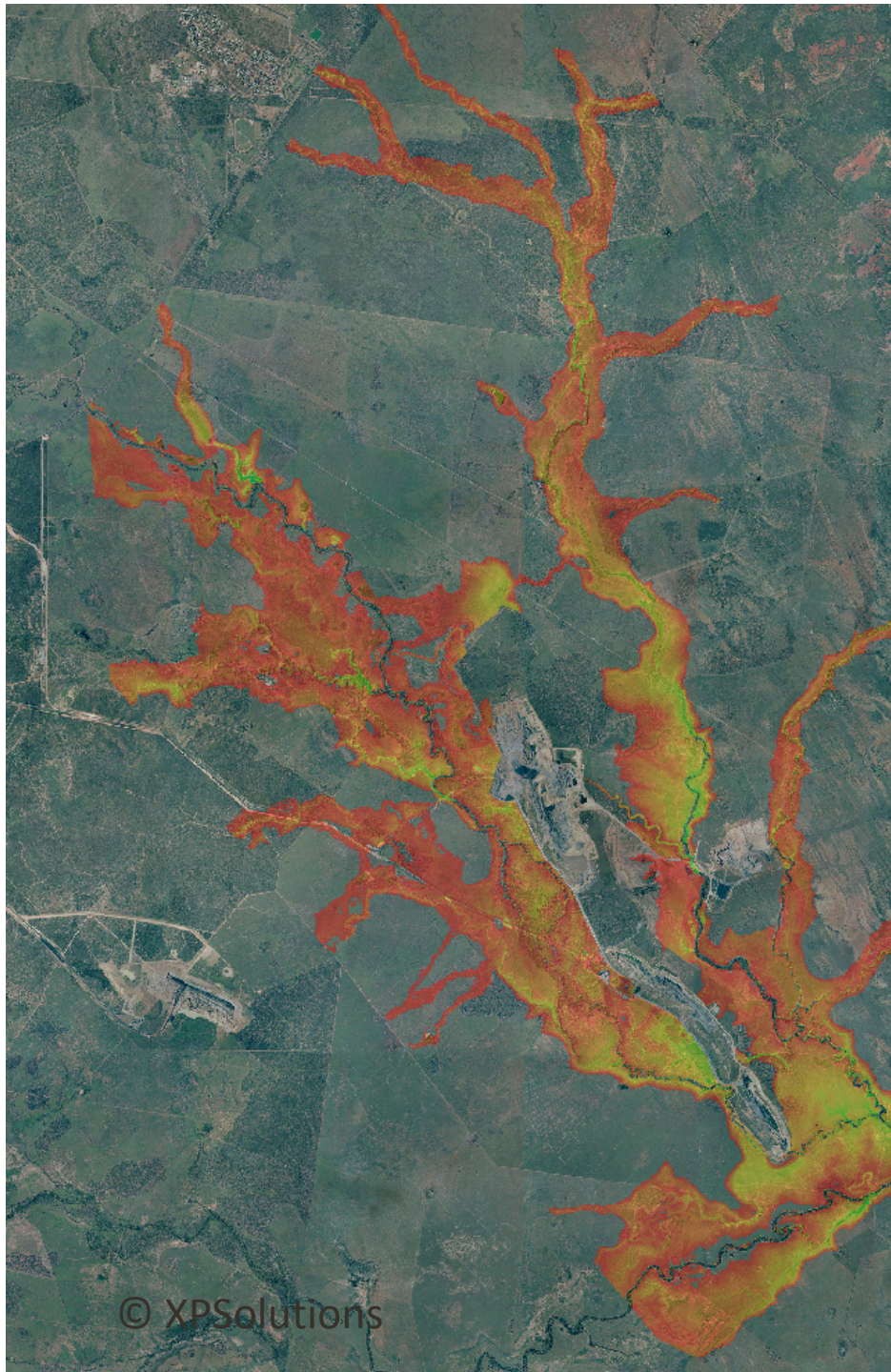
Link – Culvert: 10, Channels: 202

Node with User Inflow – Total 95

2D Cell – Total 907481 (Cell size 20m)

2D Head Boundary – 1 (free outfall)

2D Flow Boundary - None



(Existing Condition for Q1000, 18hr event)

Case Study:

Sendai, Japan

Costal Area – Tsunami Model

(East Japan Tsunami 2011)

The maximum inundation height in the scenario that almost breakwater collapsed.

