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## Résumé

Dans plusieurs villes du monde (e.g. Venise, Las Vegas, Shanghai, Mexico), la surexploitation de l'eau souterraine entraîne la compaction de couches argileuses et crée de multiples problèmes dont l'effondrement des sols, des dommages importants aux infrastructures, et la création de fractures dans les sédiments en surface.

L'objectif de cette thèse est de présenter une méthodologie multidisciplinaire, combinant les méthodes utilisées dans les domaines de l'hydrogéologie et de la télédétection, pour mieux quantifier et prédire l'affaissement régional des sols dans un aquifère hétérogène intercalé de couches argileuses.

La zone d'étude est localisé dans la vallée de Toluca, Mexique, une zone ayant les critères propices à l'affaissement : soient un pompage excessif avec un bilan d'eau souterraine déficitaire, et la présence de couches argileuses compressibles. Contrairement aux autres villes mentionnées ci-haut, ce bassin a peu de donnés historiques sur l'affaissement régional.

La méthodologie entreprise comprend : (1) une revue de la littérature et une revue de rapports avec des données utiles à l'étude de cas, (2) des travaux de terrain (puits, extensomètres, et prélèvement de sol), (3) l'évaluation détaillée du bilan en eau à l'aide d'un modèle numérique de recharge multiparamètres, (4) la génération d'un modèle géologique 3D, (5) l'utilisation de l'interférométrie radar (InSAR) pour obtenir des données de subsidence, (6) le couplage (compaction instantanée + écoulement d'eau souterraine), la vérification, et la mise en œuvre d'un modèle numérique, (7) la simulation de plusieurs scénarios pour prédire l'affaissement futur.

Les travaux détaillés avec les modèles de recharge et la géologie 3D permettent d'avoir une plus grande confiance dans les simulations. De plus, l'utilisation des techniques d'interférométrie radar permettent de localiser et mesurer les zones en affaissement. Aussi, en combinant les données InSAR, les données du bilan d'eau, le modèle géologique, et les données d'affaissement avec les

extensomètres, il est possible de mieux estimer les propriétés d'emmagasinement spécifique squelettique et de mieux caler le modèle numérique.

Plus spécifiquement, le travail démontre qu'il y a un déficit en eau souterraine dans la vallée de Toluca depuis environ 1962. Des scénarios de recharge (utilisant le modèle HELP3) et de pompage, incluant l'impact des changements climatiques, démontrent une diminution de la recharge et une augmentation du pompage dans les 50 prochaines années. Le déficit continuera à augmenter jusqu'à une moyenne de 292 Mm<sup>3</sup>/année (million de mètres cubes par année) ou un maximum de 456 Mm<sup>3</sup>/année en 2050.

D'après les simulations, depuis 1950 l'affaissement maximal a atteint près de 2 m. Les taux de compaction sont variables dans le temps et dans l'espace et dépendent du taux de pompage et des caractéristiques géo-mécaniques des sols. Le taux d'affaissement maximum dans la vallée est environ 15 cm/an. Les prévisions moyennes estiment que l'affaissement maximal dans la vallée sera d'environ 1,2 m dans les prochaines 40 années. La subsidence totale maximale en 2050 atteint 2,2 m pour le pire des scénarios, 1,4 m pour le meilleur scénario, et 1,6 m pour la subsidence moyenne attendue. Diminuer les exportations du bassin de 50% et déplacer les centres de pompage à des endroits avec une faible épaisseur d'argile, engendre un effet positif sur le bilan global de l'eau et ralentit la subsidence.

Cette étude a permis de contribuer à une meilleure compréhension du bilan en eau, de la structure géologique, et le processus d'affaissement du sol dans la vallée de Toluca. L'utilisation de cette approche multidisciplinaire pour quantifier les processus et les paramètres de compaction d'argile pourrait être appliquée à d'autres bassins ayant des problèmes semblables.

## Resumen

En varias ciudades del mundo (por ejemplo, Venecia, Las Vegas, Shanghai, México), la sobreexplotación de las aguas subterráneas provoca la compactación de las capas de arcilla y crea muchos problemas, incluyendo problemas de colapso, daño a la infraestructura, y fractura en los sedimentos de la superficie.

El objetivo de esta tesis es presentar una metodología multidisciplinaria, combinando los métodos utilizados en las disciplinas de la hidrogeología y la teledetección, para tener la capacidad de cuantificar mejor y predecir la subsidencia regional en un acuífero heterogéneo con capas intercaladas de arcilla.

El área de estudio se centra en el valle de Toluca, México, una zona con criterios favorables a la subsidencia: el bombeo excesivo de agua con un déficit de las aguas subterráneas, y la presencia de capas de arcilla compresible. A diferencia de las ciudades antes mencionadas, la cuenca del valle de Toluca tiene pocos estudios históricos sobre la subsidencia regional, haciendo la tarea más difícil.

La metodología incluye: (1) una revisión bibliográfica y una revisión de los reportes para obtener los datos disponibles del estudio de caso (2) trabajo de campo (construcción de pozos, extensómetros, caracterización de los arcillas) (3) una evaluación detallada del balance de agua utilizando un modelo digital con varios parámetros, (4) la generación de un modelo 3D geológico, (5) el uso de interferometría radar (InSAR) para obtener los datos de subsidencia regionales, (6) acoplamiento (compactación instantánea + flujo de aguas subterráneas), la verificación y la aplicación de un modelo numérico (7) la simulación de diferentes escenarios para predecir la subsidencia futura.

El trabajo detallado sobre los modelos de la geología 3D y la recarga permiten una mayor confianza en las simulaciones. El uso de las técnicas de interferometría radar permite localizar y medir la subsidencia. Además, con los datos InSAR combinado con los datos de la balanza de agua, el modelo geológico, y los datos de compactación de los extensómetros, es posible estimar mejor las propiedades de almacenamiento específico del esqueleto y calibrar mejor el modelo numérico.

Concretamente, el trabajo demuestra que existe una escasez de aguas subterráneas en el valle de Toluca, desde alrededor de 1962. Escenarios de la recarga (utilizando el modelo de HELP3) y de bombeo, incluyendo el impacto del cambio climático, muestran una disminución en la recarga y el aumento de bombeo de agua en los próximos 50 años. Este déficit aumentará a un promedio de 292 Mm<sup>3</sup>/año (millones de metros cúbicos por año) o un máximo de 456 Mm<sup>3</sup>/año en 2050.

Según las simulaciones, desde 1950 la subsidencia máxima ha alcanzado casi los 2 m. La tasa de compactamiento es variable en el tiempo y el espacio y dependen del ritmo de bombeo y las características géo-mecánicas de los suelos. El porcentaje máximo de hundimiento de la tierra en el valle son de unos 15 cm/año. Las previsiones estiman que el promedio máximo de subsidencia en el valle es de 1.2 m en los próximos 40 años. La subsidencia máxima total en 2050 alcanzó el 2.2 m en el peor de los casos, 1.4 m en el mejor de los casos, y 1.6 m para el caso promedio. Reducir las exportaciones de la cuenca de 50% y desplazar de los centros de bombeo en áreas con bajo contenido de arcilla, crea un efecto positivo en el balance global de agua y la subsidencia disminuye.

Este estudio contribuirá a una mejor comprensión del balance hídrico, la estructura geológica y el proceso de subsidencia en el Valle de Toluca. El uso de este enfoque multidisciplinario para la cuantificación de los parámetros del proceso y la compactación de la arcilla podría aplicarse a otras cuencas con problemas similares.

## **Abstract**

Excessive pumping of groundwater from compressible clay layers causes land subsidence. Many cities around the world (eg, Venice, Las Vegas, Shanghai, Mexico) experience subsidence in the form of collapsing ground, the formation of fractures in the surface sediments, and damages to infrastructure.

The objective of this thesis is to present a multidisciplinary approach, combining the methods used in the fields of hydrogeology and remote sensing, to better quantify and predict regional land subsidence in a heterogeneous aquifer interbedded with layers of clay.

The study area focuses on the Toluca Valley, Mexico where excessive pumping and compressible clay layers are found. Unlike the cities mentioned above, the basin has few historical studies or data on regional subsidence.

The methodology includes: (1) a literature review and a review of reports with data of the case study (2) fieldwork (installing wells, extensometers, and consolidation tests on clays), (3) a detailed assessment of the water budget using a multi-parameter recharge numerical model (HELP3), (4) generating a 3D geological model, (5) the use of radar interferometry (InSAR) to obtain regional subsidence data, (6) coupling the numerical model (instantaneous compaction + groundwater flow), verification, and implementation of the model, and (7) simulating various scenarios to predict future subsidence.

Detailed work on the recharge and 3D geology models lead to more confidence in the simulations. Moreover, the use of radar interferometry techniques assists in locating and measuring subsiding areas. Also, combining InSAR data, water budget data, the geological model, and extensometer data, it is possible to better estimate skeletal specific storage parameters and to better calibrate the numerical model.

More specifically, the work shows that there has been a groundwater deficit in the Toluca Valley

since about 1962. Recharge scenarios (using the HELP3 model) and pumping estimates, including climate change predictions, show a decrease in recharge and increased pumping in the next 50 years. The deficit will increase to an average of 292 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year (million cubic meters per year) or a maximum of 456 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year in 2050.

According to the simulations, since 1950 the maximum subsidence has reached nearly 2 m. The compaction rate is variable in time and space and depends on pumping rates and geo-mechanical characteristics of soils. The maximum subsidence rate in the valley is about 15 cm/year. The average estimates show that the maximum subsidence in the valley will be approximately 1.2 m in the next 40 years. The total maximum subsidence in 2050 reached 2.2 m for the worst case, 1.4 m for the best scenario, and 1.6 m for the average expected scenario. Reducing exports by 50% and moving the pumping centers to areas with low clay content creates a positive effect on the overall balance of water and slow subsidence.

This study contributes to a better understanding of the water balance, the geological structure, and the process of land subsidence in the Toluca Valley, Mexico. Using this multidisciplinary approach for quantifying clay compaction parameters and processes could be applied to other basins with similar problems.

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## **Avant-propos**

L'ensemble de cette thèse se concentre sur l'affaissement des sols dû au pompage d'eau souterraine. Le document suivant s'articule en deux parties distinctes. La première partie (chapitre 1), une synthèse, permet de faire le point sur la contribution des travaux et des publications dans le domaine de l'affaissement des sols dû à l'extraction de l'eau souterraine. Elle comprend également des informations complémentaires aux écrits de la partie suivante. La deuxième partie (chapitres 2 à 5) présente 4 articles soumis ou sur le point d'être soumis à des revues scientifiques avec comité de lecture (nommées en A de cette section). Plus précisément, le chapitre 2 focalise sur le bilan d'eau, nécessaire pour quantifier l'affaissement. Le chapitre 3 examine la télédétection comme méthode pour quantifier l'affaissement des sols. Le chapitre 4 présente un modèle numérique couplant la compaction à l'écoulement d'eau souterraine ainsi qu'une représentation de l'affaissement dans la vallée de Toluca. Enfin, le dernier chapitre (chapitre 5) propose des scénarios afin de prédire l'affaissement futur des sols dans la vallée de Toluca.

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Dans le cadre de sa thèse, l'auteur a pu apporter des contributions pertinentes au domaine choisi à travers des articles de revues scientifiques publiés ou soumis et des articles et/ou communications réalisés dans le cadre de conférences internationales. Il faut cependant mentionner que les communications sans arbitrage ne sont pas rapportées ici. Dans tous les cas, le premier auteur est l'auteur correspondant. En qualité de premier auteur,

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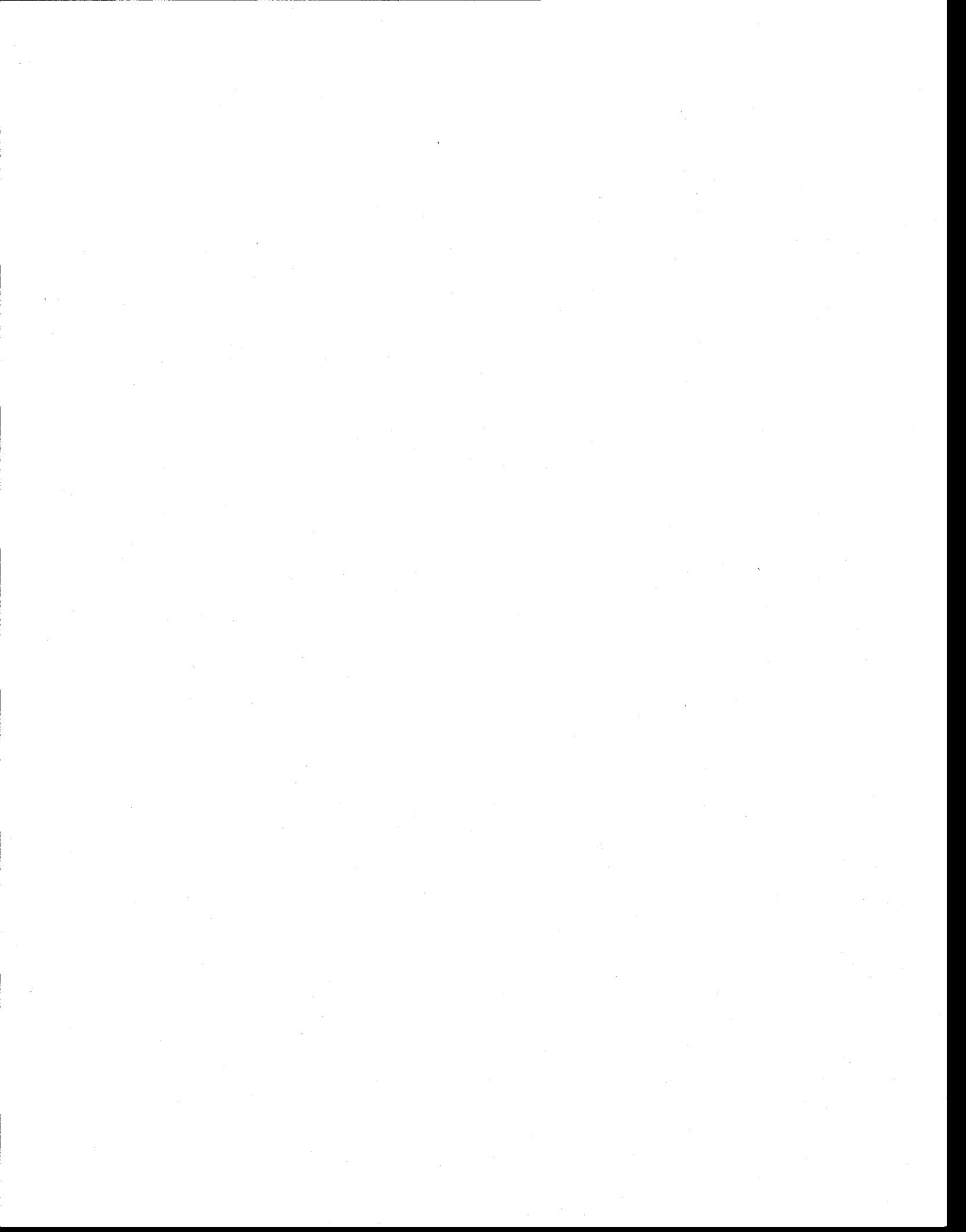


# **Partie 1**



# **Chapitre 1:**

## **Synthèse**



## 1 INTRODUCTION

Les ressources souterraines en eau potable de la vallée de Toluca connaissent une forte demande de la part des secteurs industriel et agricole, mais surtout de la part de la population urbaine, ce qui inclut non seulement les habitants de la vallée, mais aussi ceux de la populeuse capitale nationale, la ville de Mexico. Par conséquent, un grand pourcentage de l'eau souterraine est exporté à l'extérieur du bassin. Le bassin subit un déficit en eau souterraine, c'est-à-dire qu'il y a plus de pompage qu'il y en a de recharge. Cette surexploitation de l'aquifère entraîne la réduction du stockage de l'eau, ce qui cause une subsidence régionale importante dont les symptômes sont des effondrements superficiels du sol et de l'infrastructure, ainsi que la formation de fractures dans ceux-ci.

La subsidence due au pompage de l'eau a été bien documentée dans d'autres bassins aux États-Unis (Helm, 1975; Amelung et al., 1999; Galloway and Hoffman, 2007), en Italie (Gambolati, 1972; Teatini, et al., 2005; Ferronato et al., 2006), en Chine (Shearer, 1998; Li et al., 2006) ainsi qu'au Mexique (Ortega et al., 1993; Rudolph et Frind, 1991; Rivera et al., 1991; et Ortega et al., 1999), mais aucune étude a comme point de mire la Vallée de Toluca; bien qu'on y observe d'importants déplacements de terrain et l'apparition de fractures.

Depuis les années 1970, l'évaluation de l'affaissement des sols dû au pompage d'eau souterraine a surtout été étudiée par voie de modèles numériques calés avec des données de terrain (voir Annexe B). Généralement, les modèles, de plus en plus sophistiqués, couplent les principes d'écoulement de l'eau et la théorie de consolidation 1D de Terzhaghi (1925) ou 3D de Biot (1941). Jusqu'à présent cette approche demeure la meilleure pour représenter et prédire l'affaissement. La précision de ces modèles couplés dépend grandement des données de terrain qui sont souvent déficientes, dispendieuses à obtenir, très locales et dispersées – rendant les résultats parfois douteux. Il est peut-être possible de représenter tous les paramètres de tous les processus d'un système multicouche à l'aide d'un modèle numérique, mais un tel modèle risquerait d'être très complexe, très théorique, et de rester un simple outil académique.

L'objectif de cette thèse est donc de présenter une méthodologie pratique capable de représenter l'affaissement régional des sols dans un aquifère multicouche surexploité. Une approche multidisciplinaire est proposée afin d'arriver à une meilleure représentation de l'affaissement régional des sols. Des techniques interférométriques de télédétection ainsi que des données de terrain acquises ou déjà existantes sont utilisées pour caler un modèle numérique couplé afin de quantifier l'affaissement. Les travaux réalisés dans le cadre de cette thèse poursuivent ceux de Galloway et al., (1998), Amelung et al., (1999) et Hoffman et al., (2003a) en présentant une méthode pour isoler l'emmagasinement spécifique squeletique (*skeletal specific storage*) des couches individuelles dans un aquifère multicouche. De plus, une meilleure compréhension du bilan d'eau, de la stratigraphie 3D, ainsi que des processus d'affaissement de du terrain à la vallée de Toluca, est entrepris.

Ce chapitre est divisé comme suit : (1) Introduction (2) Mise en contexte (3) Travaux de terrain (4) Évaluation du bilan d'eau (5) Génération d'un modèle géologique 3D (6) Télédétection (7) Modélisation (8) Scenarios pour aider à la gestion de l'aquifère (9) Conclusions et perspectives (10) Les aspects innovateurs de la thèse.

## 2 MISE EN CONTEXTE DE LA VALLÉE DE TOLUCA

### *Situation géographique*

Le bassin de la Vallée de Toluca a une superficie d'environ 2100 Km<sup>2</sup>. Le bassin est adjacent à la vallée de Mexico et la chaîne de montagne Las Cruces forme une frontière naturelle entre les deux bassins (figure 1). Sa position géographique, au centre du pays et à proximité de Mexico, ainsi que le développement rapide des infrastructures, ont permis à la ville de développer une zone industrielle majeure pour le pays. L'étude de la subsidence pour cette thèse a été faite à l'échelle régionale en mettant l'accent sur le corridor industriel. Ce corridor industriel situé près de la ville de Toluca a été en grande partie formé par les industries qui se sont déplacées de la vallée de Mexico à la suite du séisme de 1985.

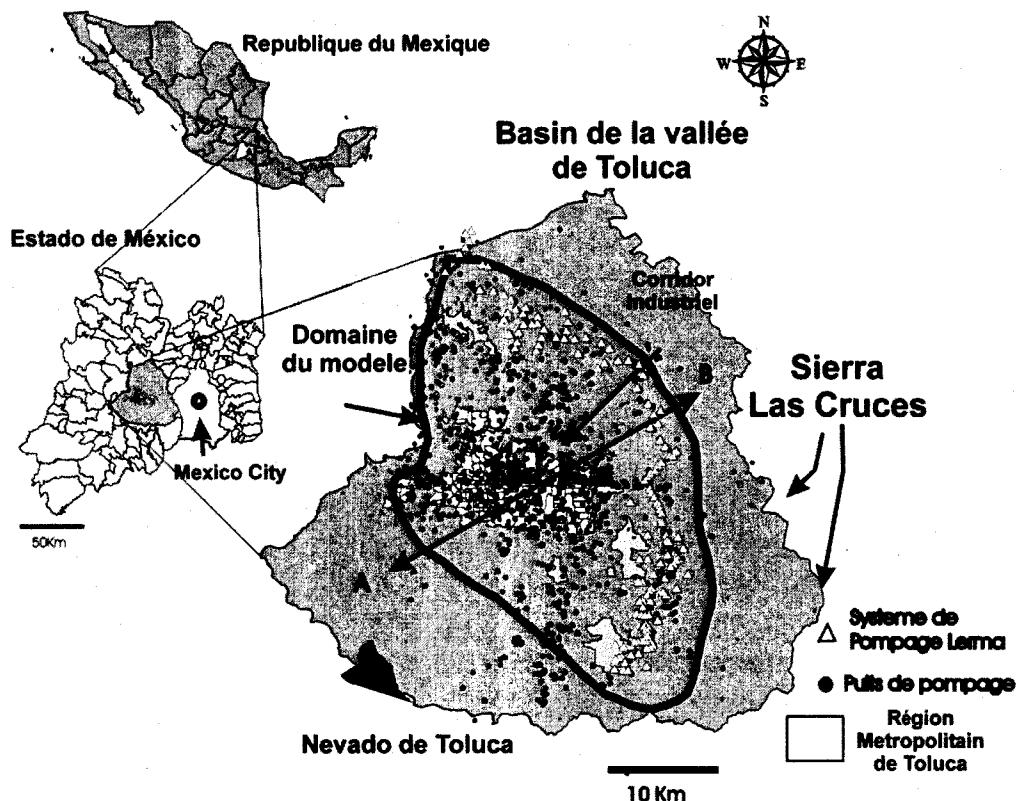


Figure 1 : Position de la vallée de Toluca et la zone d'étude par rapport au Mexique et l'État de Mexico

### ***Population***

Selon le recensement de 2005 (INEGI, 2005), la région métropolitaine de Toluca comprend 12 municipalités. En plus d'être la cinquième plus grande zone métropolitaine au Mexique, elle est la plus grande de l'État de Mexico. La population totale de la vallée de Toluca en 2005 se situait autour de 1,7 million de personnes (INEGI, 2005). De 1960 à 2005, la population de la vallée a doublé environ tous les 20 ans (INEGI, 1960-2005).

### ***Climat, réseau hydrique et géologie***

La vallée est caractérisée par un climat tempéré avec des hivers secs. La vallée a une température annuelle moyenne de 12-15 °C et reçoit généralement 700 mm de précipitations par année. La température moyenne annuelle, du plus haut point dans la vallée, le Nevado de Toluca, est de -2 à 5 °C et plus de 1200 mm de précipitations (CNA, 2006) (voir Chapitre 2 pour une description plus détaillée du climat).

Étant donné le pompage intensif depuis plusieurs décennies, la rivière Lerma, qui débute aux sources des Lagunes dans le Sud-est du Bassin et sort du bassin dans le Nord-Ouest, a peu de contact hydraulique avec la nappe phréatique. Beaucoup d'industries et de municipalités déversent leurs eaux usées dans celle-ci, ce qui en fait une rivière contaminée agissant plutôt comme un canal qu'une rivière. L'évapotranspiration élevée dans la vallée fait en sorte qu'il y a très peu de tributaires qui se déchargent dans la Lerma.

Le bassin est généralement constitué de deux aquifères, dont la composition minérale varient en fonction de l'origine des matériaux géologiques (voir section 5 ou Chapitre 4 pour une description détaillée de la géologie). L'aquifère inférieur est composé de roches fracturées. L'aquifère supérieur est quant à lui complexe et intercalé d'alluvions et d'argile/silts d'origine lacustre. C'est d'ailleurs ce dernier qui constitue l'objet de nos travaux.

### ***Utilisation de l'eau***

Puisque la plupart des plans d'eau de surface dans la vallée sont contaminés, la consommation d'eau potable provient presqu'exclusivement de l'eau souterraine. La demande en eau répond aux besoins de quatre usagés : domestique (52 %), exportation vers la capitale Mexico (38%), industriel (7%), agriculture (3%) (IMTA, 2003) (voir figure 2).

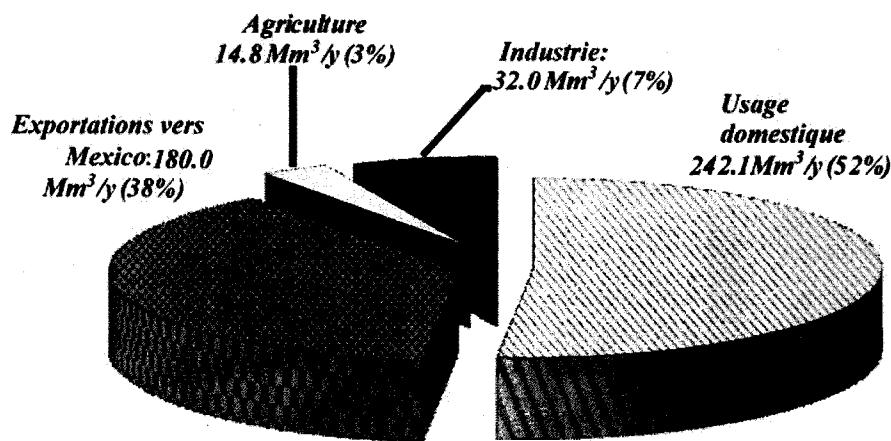


Figure 2: Utilisation de l'eau souterraine dans la vallée de Toluca (valeurs tirées de IMTA (2003) et figure modifiée de Calderhead et al. (2009a)

L'extraction excessive de l'eau souterraine dans la vallée de Toluca depuis les 50 dernières années a provoqué une réduction du stockage d'eau, la diminution du niveau phréatique, le changement des directions régionales de l'écoulement souterrain, la diminution et parfois l'extinction des débits des sources dans les régions montagneuses environnantes. Cette réduction du stockage d'eau entraîne l'affaissement du terrain dans les milieux argileux, génère multiples fractures et entraîne des phénomènes d'effondrement en surface.

### ***Exportations vers Mexico***

Depuis les années 1960, le bassin de Toluca fournit une quantité importante d'eau potable à la ville de Mexico. Une série de 236 puits, nommée le Systema Lerma, fournit actuellement quelque  $6.0 \text{ m}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$  d'eau à destination de Mexico, ce qui équivaut à environ 7% des ressources de la vallée de Toluca et 8% de la demande totale d'eau potable pour la ville de Mexico (Legorreta, 1997). La majorité des puits installés ont une profondeur variant entre 200 et 300 m.

## **3 TRAVAUX DE TERRAIN**

Il y a eu plusieurs phases de travaux de terrain entre février 2005 et juillet 2008. La section des travaux de terrain est divisée comme suit : 3.1 Cueillette des données en provenance de la littérature; 3.2 Installation de deux extensomètres; 3.3 Mesures d'affaissement dans les extensomètres; 3.4 Récupération des données de niveau d'eau; et 3.5 Forages pour obtenir des données sur les paramètres géo-mécaniques. D'autres travaux ont été faits dans le contexte d'un suivi à long terme des ressources en eau de la vallée de Toluca, mais ne sont pas utilisés dans cette thèse. Ils sont présentés à l'annexe C.

### **3.1 Cueillette de données en provenance de la littérature**

Une revue des données sur la vallée de Toluca colligées dans différents rapports est entreprise pour maximiser les informations utilisées dans les modèles. Ceci dit, cette phase de terrain a permis d'établir une typologie du fonctionnement de l'aquifère et a

servi à délimiter avec une plus grande précision l'étendue du secteur d'étude. Un inventaire des données météorologiques (CNA, 2006) et géologiques (Lesser y Asociados, 1992; Ariel y Consultores, 1996), en plus des journaux de forage pour le Sistema Lerma et le système multi-piézomètres a été entrepris. L'obtention des rapports sur le bilan en eau dans la vallée (OEE, 1970; Lesser and Asociados, 1992; Ariel and Consultores, 1996; CNA, 2000, GTZ-CNA 2004; INEGI, 1960-2005; voir Calderhead et al., (2009a) pour autres références), a été fait. De plus, les études d'affaissement et de fractures (Figueroa, 1990, 2004; Consultec, 1978; Minor, 2007) dans la zone d'étude ont aussi été utiles pour caler le modèle numérique.

### **3.2 Installation de deux extensomètres**

L'installation d'extensomètres permet de mesurer la compaction du sol avec une précision millimétrique. Deux extensomètres ont été installés, le premier en mai 2006 (Extensomètre-2) et le second en juillet 2006 (Extensomètre-1). La figure 12 montre la position des extensomètres. Des extensomètres se retrouvent à proximité des zones d'affaissement maximal où on retrouve des fractures en surface. Plusieurs fractures sont retrouvées dans les environs du corridor industriel où les niveaux de la nappe diminuent à des rythmes allant jusqu'à 1.4 m par année. Puisque nous n'avions pas en notre possession le logiciel de traitement d'image satellite avant l'installation des extensomètres, nous ne pouvions pas placer les extensomètres dans les zones d'affaissement maximal (environ 15 cm/année). En fait, les extensomètres se retrouvent dans une zone où il y a de l'affaissement modéré (1 cm/année).

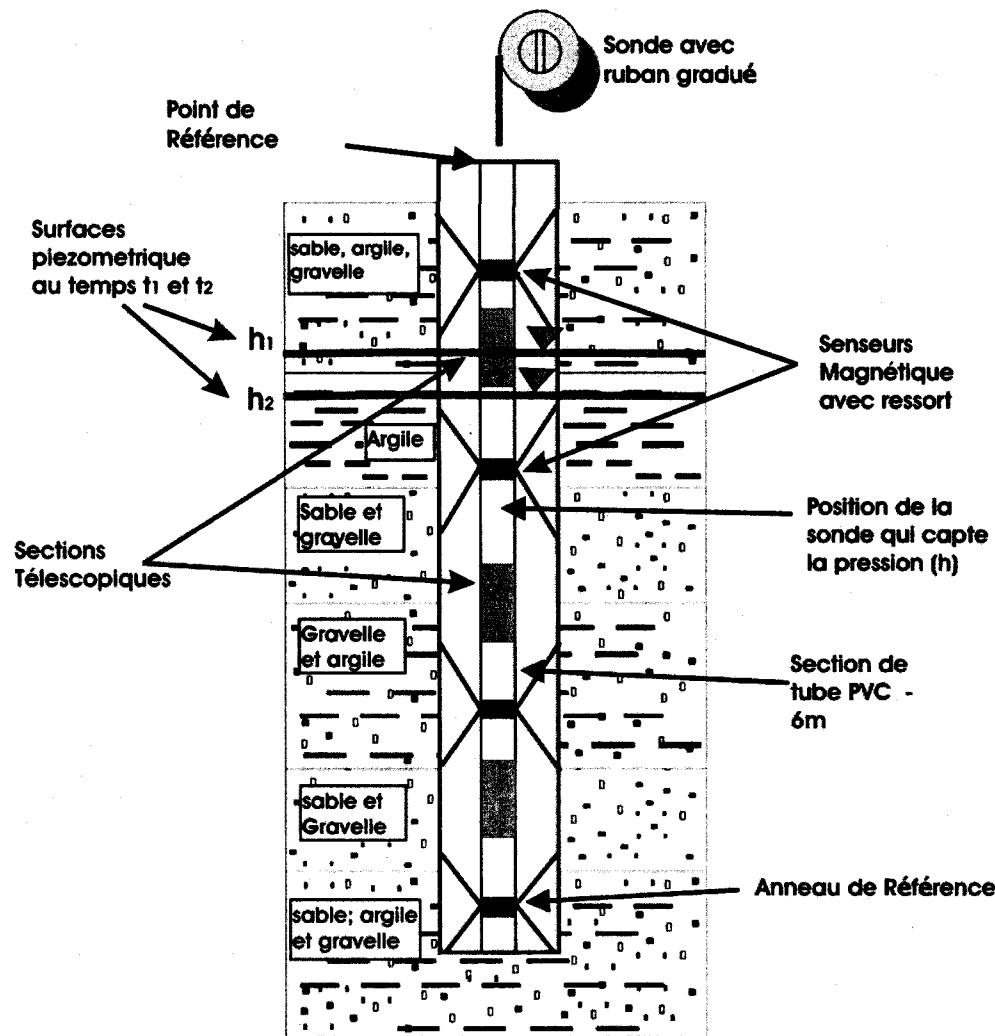


Figure 3: Schéma d'un extensomètre à senseur magnétique. Les variations de surface piézométrique ( $h_1$  et  $h_2$ ), ainsi que la position du système d'acquisition de pression (pressure transducer) sont également indiqués. Le dessin n'est pas à l'échelle.

L'installation des extensomètres fut une tâche ardue étant donné les profondeurs des forages. Le matériel acquis pour les extensomètres était conçu pour des profondeurs maximales d'environ 20 m (Roctest, 2009). Plusieurs modifications ont été faites pour obtenir des données à de plus grandes profondeurs (jusqu'à 120 m). Les extensomètres installés dans la vallée de Toluca consistent en un réseau de cibles magnétiques placées à 6 m d'intervalle le long d'un tube en PVC dans un forage (Figure 3). Les sections de tube en PVC de 6 m sont fixées à la paroi du forage au moyen d'un ancrage dont le centre contient un aimant. Les sections de PVC sont connectées l'une à l'autre par des sections télescopiques, permettant un mouvement vertical une fois fixées dans le forage. Une

sonde à commutateur à lames détecte la profondeur des aimants quand elle est descendue dans le tube. Le détecteur est suspendu à un ruban gradué recouvrant le filage d'alimentation électrique. La graduation du ruban sert à déterminer, avec une précision milimétrique, la compaction entre les aimants tout le long du forage. Idéalement les extensomètres se rendraient à la roche-mère, mais étant donné des contraintes budgétaires et la complexité d'installer l'appareil à ces profondeurs, nous nous sommes limités à 120 m (Extensomètre-1) et 80 m (Extensomètre-2).

### 3.3 Mesures d'affaissement dans les extensomètres

La majorité des lectures dans les extensomètres ont été prises en même temps que le captage d'images satellitaire de la vallée d'ENVISAT et RADARSAT-1 entre décembre 2007 et mai 2008. La Figure 4 montre la distribution des dates de lecture prise dans les extensomètres ainsi que la compaction totale mesurée dans les 107 premiers mètres d'Extensometer-1. Les dates de lecture sont les suivantes: 20-déc-06, 29-mai-07, 25-janv-08, 04-mars-08, 08-avr-08, 24-mai-08, 23-juil-08.

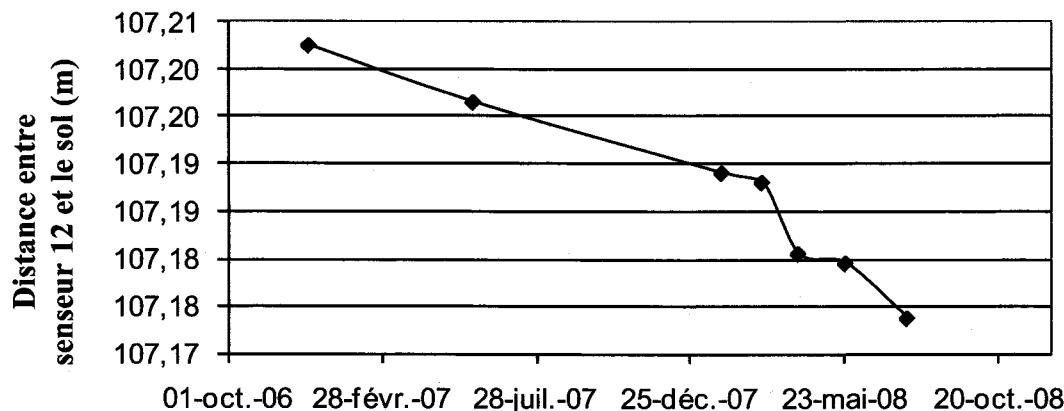


Figure 4 : Distance entre le senseur 12 (profondeur  $\approx 107$  m) et le sol pour Extensometer-1.

### 3.4 Récupération des données de niveau d'eau

La collecte de données piézométriques dans les extensomètres a fait partie des campagnes de terrain. Ces niveaux d'eau, ainsi que ceux du système d'acquisition automatique avec une sonde à pression, ont été mesurés tous les 12 heures de juillet 2006 à juillet 2008. Pour compléter ces lectures, les données des niveaux piézométriques en provenance

du réseau de 52 multi-piézomètres, (CNA, 2008), ont été aussi mises à jour régulièrement.

### **3.5 Forages pour obtenir des données sur les paramètres géomécaniques**

Trois forages ayant une profondeur de 22 mètres ont été réalisés pour déterminer les paramètres géomécaniques tel que pour la porosité, l'indice des vides, la teneur en eau, et le coefficient de compressibilité des argiles. Les forages devaient être localisés dans des milieux où il y a une forte concentration en argile saturée. Voir Annexe D et Figure 13 pour les résultats de ces essais géomécaniques.

## **4 BILAN EN EAU**

L'évaluation du bilan en eau de l'aquifère est un aspect fondamental pour la caractérisation d'un système subissant de l'affaissement. Deux grands paramètres, la recharge et la décharge sont examinés en détail dans cette section.

La croissance urbaine, l'industrialisation et les changements climatiques peuvent entraîner une augmentation du déficit du bilan d'eau. Une méthodologie est proposée pour améliorer le modèle du bilan en eaux souterraines dans le but de quantifier les déficits passé, présent et futur dans la vallée de Toluca, au Mexique.

La recharge est calculée avec une variation spatiale, déterminée à partir de données historiques sur le climat, les prévisions des changements climatiques, ainsi que les multiples paramètres utilisés dans le modèle Hydrologic Evaluation of Landfill Performance (HELP3) (Schroeder et al., 1994). HELP3 est un modèle quasi 2D pour évaluer la recharge d'un système hydrique. Le modèle accepte des données de météo, d'emmagasinement des sols, de fonte de neige, de ruissellement, d'infiltration, d'évapotranspiration, de végétation, de drainage latéral souterrain, de drainage non-saturé vertical et les paramètres de lixiviation.

Pour évaluer l'effet des changements climatiques sur la recharge, l'étude utilise la méthodologie proposée par Jyrkama et Sykes (2007) où seulement les scenarios de changements climatiques régionaux sont simulés. La particularité de cette méthodologie repose sur le fait que l'accent est placé sur le budget global des eaux souterraines et l'impact du changement climatique est considéré comme un facteur parmi plusieurs autres dans le budget.

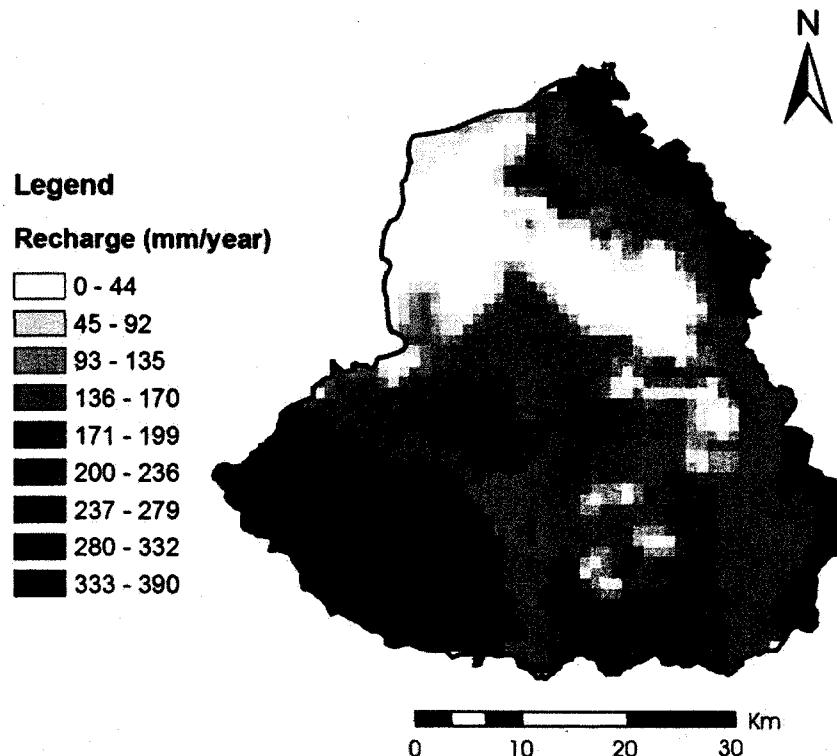


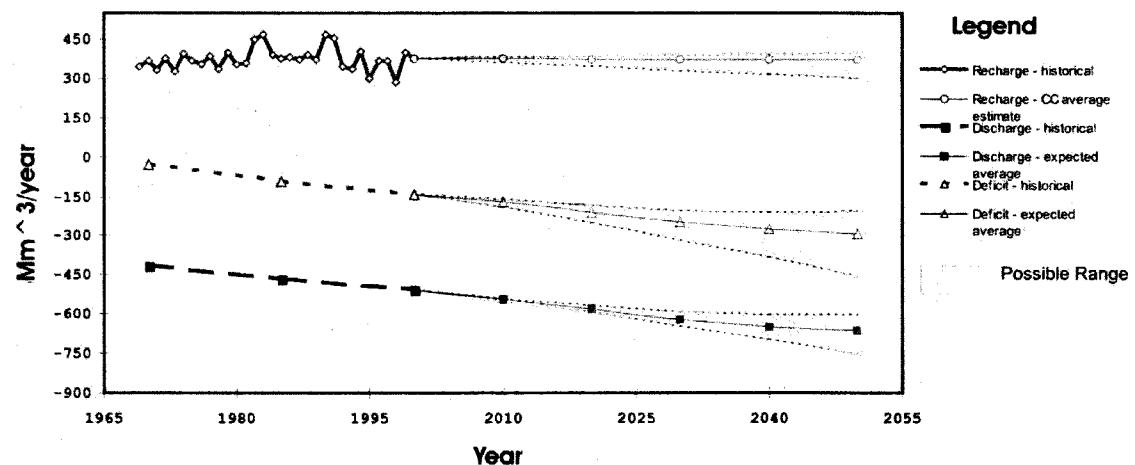
Figure 5: Distribution spatiale de la recharge moyenne dans la vallée de Toluca [mm/année] en utilisant le modèle HELP3 (tirée de Calderhead et al., 2009a).

La vérification du modèle a été fait avec l'aide de modèles d'évapotranspiration (Voir chapitre 2 et Annexe E). La distribution de la recharge est présentée dans la figure 5. La recharge est plus grande dans les régions montagneuses et plus petite dans le centre de la vallée (136-170 mm/an). Dans les zones argileuses au Nord du bassin, il y a peu d'infiltration (0-44 mm/an).

En utilisant les données historiques et les prévisions de recharge et décharge (Calderhead et al., 2009a), le déficit est alors calculé (Tableau 1, Figure 6).

**Tableau 1 : Résumé du budget d'eau souterraine entre 1970 et 2050.** '-' signifie données non disponibles (tiré de Calderhead et al., 2009a).

		1970	1985	2000	2010	2020	2030	2040	2050
Recharge [Mm <sup>3</sup> /year]	Historical Recharge	385.0	373.9	376.2	-	-	-	-	-
		376.2	376.2	376.2	376.2	376.2	376.2	376.2	376.2
		-	-	376.2	373.0	370.0	367.0	364.0	361.0
	Average recharge based on 1969-2000 data	-	-	376.2	377.8	379.3	381.4	383.2	385.0
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Climate Change (based on average recharge and 21 climate models)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	HELP3 Simulations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Induced Recharge (R <sub>art</sub> )	-	-	1.2	1.5	2.0	5.0	7.5	10.0
Discharge [Mm <sup>3</sup> /year]	Spring discharges (Sp)	-55.0	-54.0	-53.0	-52.0	-48.0	-50.0	-48.0	-45.0
		-0.048	-0.048	-0.023	-0.024	-0.022	-0.020	-0.015	-0.010
		-359.9	-413.0	-456.0	-	-	-	-	-
	Groundwater flow	-	-	-	-494.5	-534.8	-571.8	-599.1	-617.9
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Historical Extraction	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Pumping	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Expected Extraction (P)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Best case	-	-	-	-490.7	-521.0	-543.5	-565.1	-587.7
Deficit [Mm <sup>3</sup> /year]	Historical Deficit	-29.9	-93.2	-145.0	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-172.0	-210.8	-249.9	-275.6	-292.0
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Expected	-	-	-	-163.4	-187.4	-207.1	-215.4	-207.7
	Best case	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-



**Figure 6: Résumé du budget en eau souterraine entre 1970 et 2050.** Entre 1970 et 1999 les données réelles de la recharge sont présentées. Entre 2000 et 2050, la prédiction moyenne incluant les changements climatiques est démontrée. Le déficit est calculé par la somme de la décharge et de la recharge (tirée de Calderhead et al. 2009a).

Les ressources en eau renouvelables sont actuellement exploitées à des taux préoccupants. 38% des ressources en eaux souterraines sont exportés du bassin. Le transfert inter-bassin et la demande locale croissante ont des effets néfastes sur l'approvisionnement en eau souterraine dans la vallée de Toluca. Les volumes actuellement exportés vers la ville de Mexico ( $6 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ , figure 2), sont supérieurs au déficit

moyen actuel (tableau 1). Ainsi, si demain la Vallée de Toluca devait arrêter tous les transferts d'eau, elle ne serait plus dans une situation déficitaire.

Cette évaluation détaillée des deux composantes les plus importantes du cycle de l'eau (recharge et décharge) montre clairement que la raréfaction de l'eau dans le bassin de Toluca est due principalement au pompage des eaux souterraines (Tableau 1). Les changements climatiques sembleraient jouer un rôle dans l'augmentation du déficit, mais ses effets ne sont pas encore significatifs. L'analyse montre que le pompage actuel des eaux souterraines n'est pas durable. Le déficit actuel est estimé entre 140 et 170 Mm<sup>3</sup>/an. À moins de changements drastiques, il est prévu que ce déficit pourrait augmenter jusqu'à 456 Mm<sup>3</sup>/an d'ici l'an 2050. En faisant l'hypothèse selon laquelle le bassin était en équilibre en 1962 (figure 6, par extrapolation vers l'arrière), et en intégrant la courbe de déficit moyen de 2008 à 1962, le volume total d'eau enlevé du stockage s'élève à environ 3840 Mm<sup>3</sup>. Suite aux résultats de cette étude, ce volume ne peut pas être considéré comme une ressource renouvelable. Le déficit se produisant dans la vallée de Toluca peut être considéré comme un sérieux problème et les projections pour la consommation en eau et les changements climatique renforcent la nécessité pour une gestion responsable de la ressource en eau.

## 5 GÉOLOGIE

Des roches volcaniques andésitiques fracturées d'âge miocène forment le sous-sol du bassin (figure 7). La roche fracturée forme une cuvette au centre de la vallée, atteignant des profondeurs supérieures à 600 m et affleurant à la surface en bordure de la vallée. La formation volcanique andésitique du Nevado de Toluca est située à l'ouest. La roche fracturée est recouverte par des couches d'argiles lacustres (semi-perméables) et par la formation aquifère Chalma (Ariel et Consultores, 1996), composée d'un mélange de sable, de gravier et d'argile. L'aquifère de la formation de Tarango, mis en place après la formation Chalma, s'étend à partir des flancs de la chaîne de montagne las Cruces à l'est jusqu'au pied du volcan Nevado de Toluca. Cette formation est un mélange hétérogène de matériaux volcaniclastes (Lesser y Asociados, 1992). L'aquifère composé de roches

basaltiques et des flux de cendres de la formation Chichinautzin a été déposé dans la partie orientale de la vallée de Toluca. Dans la partie moyenne supérieure de la vallée, où la plupart du pompage d'eaux souterraines se produit, on retrouve des couches intermêlées d'argile lacustre (semi-perméable) et des dépôts d'alluvions (aquifères).

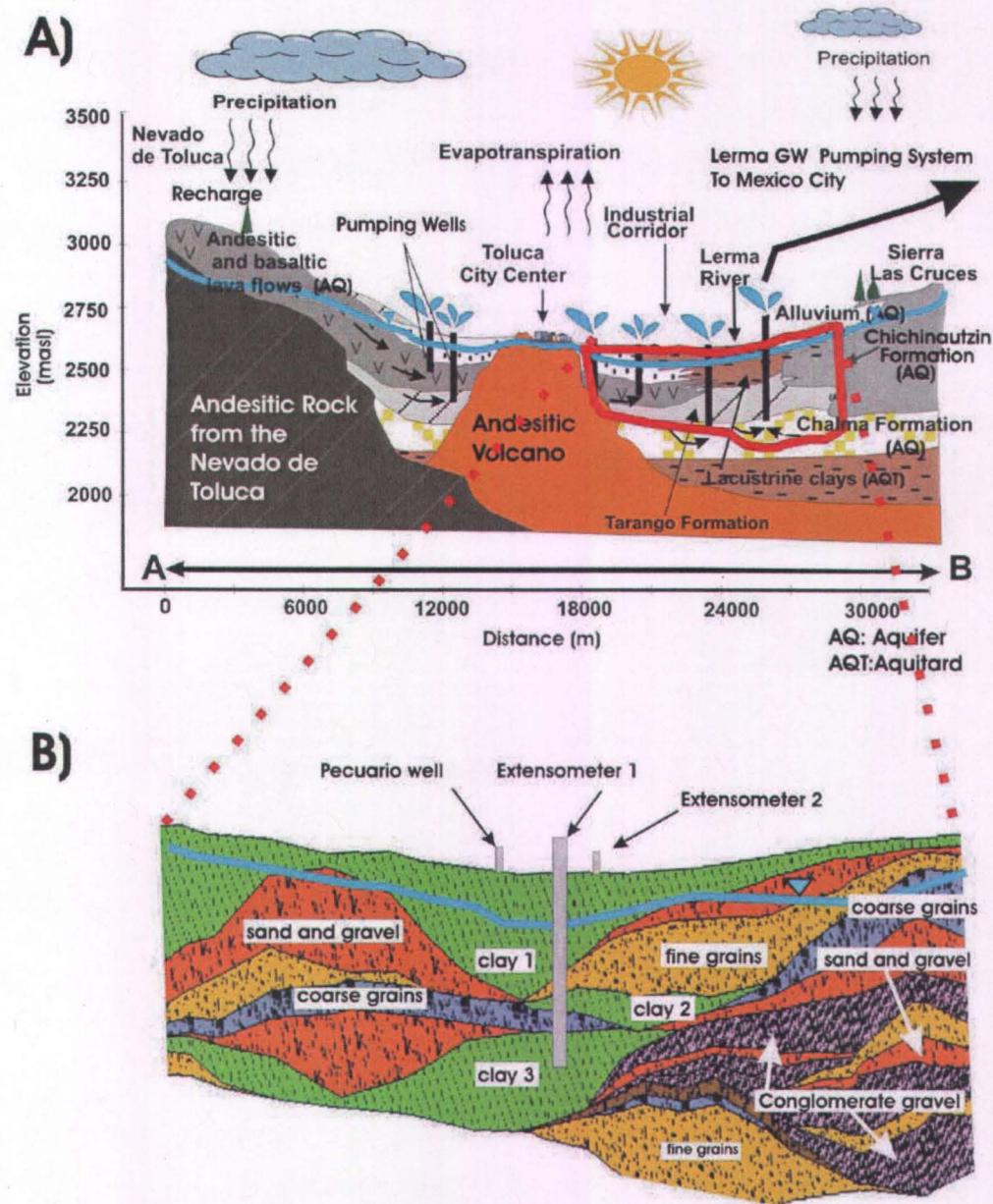


Figure 7: 7A : Modèle conceptuel et géologie de la vallée de Toluca. 7B : Agrandissement de la géologie de la zone d'étude (tirée de Calderhead et al., 2009c).

Pour faire face à la complexité de la stratigraphie de la vallée de Toluca, des journaux de forage sont utilisés pour générer une représentation régionale du modèle géologique 3D.

Un total de 211 journaux de forages (Figure 8A: Lerma 151 puits de pompage, 48 multi-piézomètres, et 12 puits supplémentaires) de la vallée de Toluca ont été utilisés pour créer le modèle géologique 3D. 22 types de matériaux géologiques, allant d'argile et de sable fin jusqu'à un gravier grossier et de la roche volcanique fracturée ont été simplifiés en 10 types de matériaux. En se fiant aux journaux de forage et les sections transversales, le logiciel GMS 6.5 utilise une série d'algorithme (GMS, 2009) pour l'attribution d'horizons, pour créer des sections transversales entre les forages et, enfin, produire les couches géologiques. Au total, 34 couches géologiques (figure 8B) ont été générées et regroupées par la suite. En effet, l'examen attentif de la stratigraphie de chaque puits combiné avec la comparaison des sections transversales (Ariel Consultores, 1996) a été nécessaire pour obtenir une simplification détaillée de la représentation géologique du bassin.

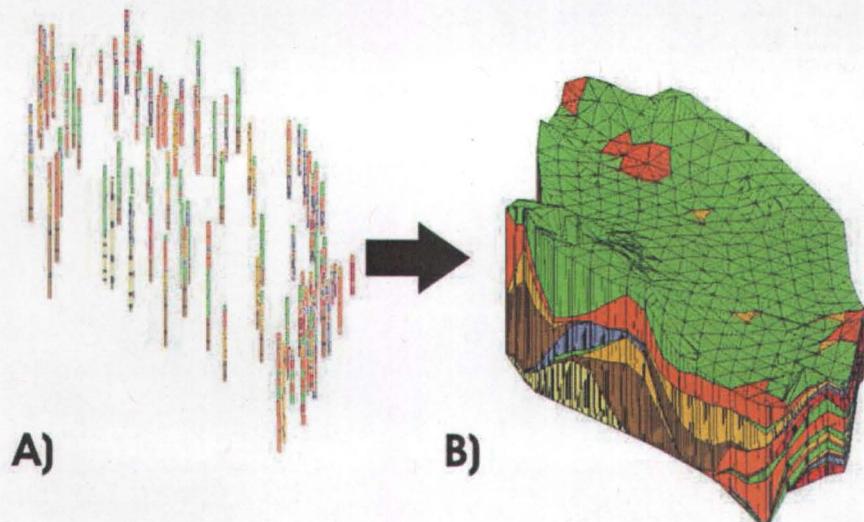


Figure 8: Génération du modèle géologique (8B) à partir de logs de forage (8A).

Puisque la grande majorité de la compaction se manifeste là où se retrouvent les argiles, il est important d'identifier la position ainsi que l'épaisseur des couches d'argile.

En utilisant le modèle géologique présenté dans la figure 8B, il a été possible d'identifier et d'isoler les couches d'argile majeures. La figure 9 présente les deux couches majeures (A et B) ainsi que la somme verticale des épaisseurs d'argile (C).

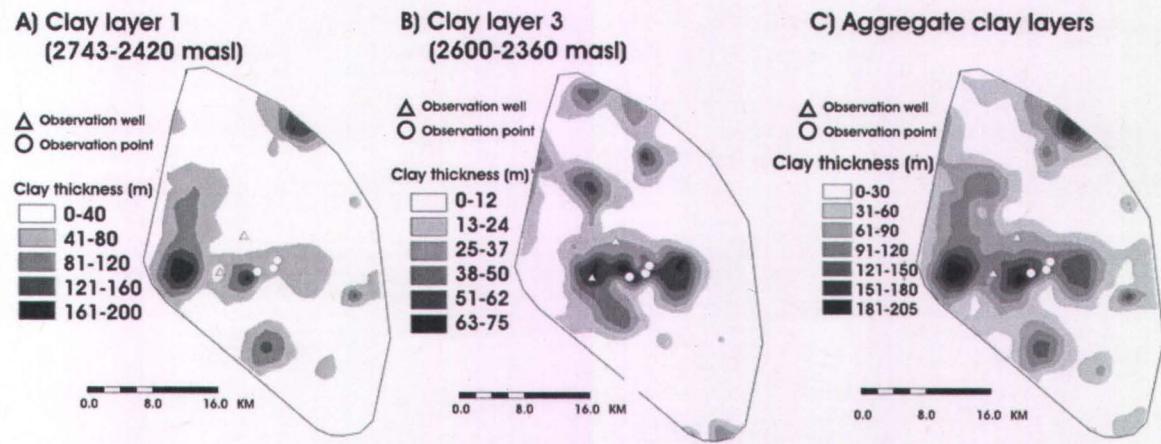


Figure 9: Épaisseurs des couches argileuses majeures (9A-9B) et la somme verticale des épaisseurs des couches argileuses (9C) (tiré de Calderhead et al., 2009c).

## 6 TÉLÉDÉTECTION

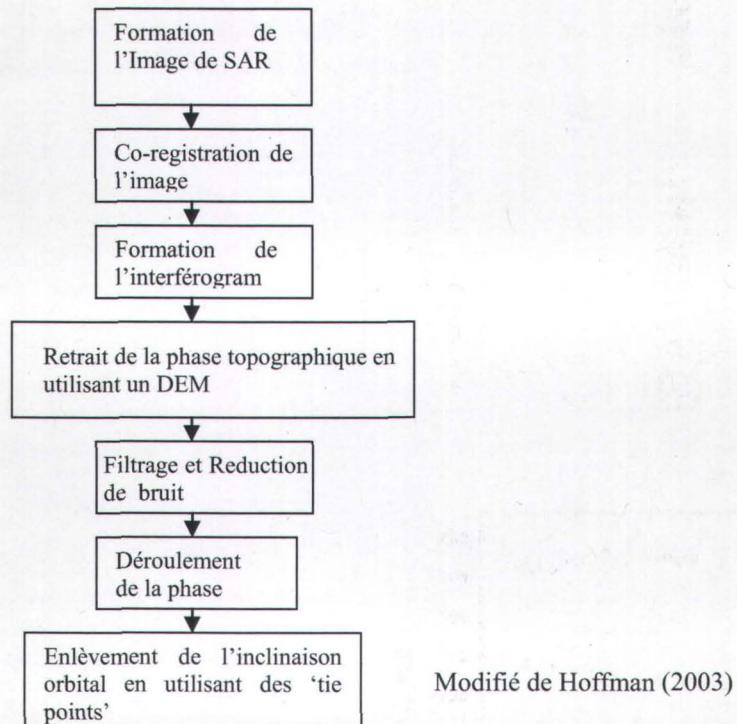
### *Introduction à InSAR*

Les techniques interférométriques ont été utilisées pour créer des cartes topographiques (e.g. Zebker et Goldstein (1985), Gabriel et al (1989)), pour observer les courants océaniques (Zebker et Goldstein, 1987; Goldstein and Zebker, 1988), mesurer les déplacements de la surface des volcans (Massonnet et al., 1993, 1995) et beaucoup d'autres processus naturels qui ont lieu à la surface de la terre. Galloway et al., (1998) ont été les premiers à utiliser un interférogramme pour caractériser la subsidence, appliqué au cas de la vallée d'Antelope en Californie. Amelung et al., (1999) ont présenté des cartes de subsidence pour mesurer les variations des taux de subsidence selon la saison (été - hiver). Plus tard, Hoffman et al., (2003a) ont utilisé des interférogrammes pour estimer des coefficients d'emmagasinements en 2D.

La technique InSAR (Interferometric Synthetic Aperture Radar) consiste à comparer des images multiples de radar satellitaires acquises avec des points de vue quasiment identiques dans l'espace, mais à des instants différents. Les schémas d'interférence des radars ou "interférogrammes" sont corrigés pour prendre en considération les subtiles différences topographiques et atmosphériques ou barométriques. Les variations sur le terrain se reflètent dans les interférogrammes et procurent ainsi des mesures précises à

quelques millimètres près, sur des superficies pouvant atteindre plusieurs dizaines de kilomètres.

Mentionné brièvement dans Calderhead et al., (2009b), le modèle conceptuel de la méthodologie pour obtenir des images de subsidence est présenté dans la figure 10.



*Figure 10. Modèle conceptuel de la méthodologie pour obtenir des images de subsidence par InSAR.*

Voir Annexe F pour la théorie de base et les limitations de l’InSAR.

### ***L’utilisation des techniques InSAR dans la Vallée de Toluca***

Nous avons obtenu et utilisé des données de l’Agence Spatiale Européenne (ESA) provenant des satellites ERS-1, ERS-2 et ENVISAT, ainsi que de RADARSAT-1 de l’agence spatiale canadienne (ASC). Les images Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) sont disponibles sporadiquement pour les années 1996 à 2008 (voir tableau 2).

**Tableau 2: Images SAR de la vallée de Toluca acquises entre 1995 et 2008 (tiré de Calderhead et al., 2009b)**

Mission	Date	Track	Frame	Pass
ERS-1	12/12/1995	26	3213	descending
ERS-1	28/01/1996	191	369	ascending
ERS-1	07/04/1996	191	369	ascending
ERS-2	21/03/2001	26	3213	descending
ERS-2	17/10/2001	26	3213	descending
ERS-2	15/05/2002	26	3213	descending
ERS-2	28/08/2002	26	3213	descending
ENVISAT ASAR	26/03/2003	2026	3213	ascending
ENVISAT ASAR	09/07/2003	2026	3213	ascending
ENVISAT ASAR	13/08/2003	2026	3213	ascending
ENVISAT ASAR	04/02/2004	2026	3213	ascending
ENVISAT ASAR	14/04/2004	2026	3213	ascending
ENVISAT ASAR	15/12/2004	2026	3213	ascending
ENVISAT ASAR	19/01/2005	2026	3213	ascending
ENVISAT ASAR	08/06/2005	2026	3213	ascending
ENVISAT ASAR	30/11/2005	2026	3213	ascending
ENVISAT ASAR	05/12/2007	2026	3213	ascending
ENVISAT ASAR	13/02/2008	2026	3213	ascending
ENVISAT ASAR	23/04/2008	2026	3213	ascending
ENVISAT ASAR	28/05/2008	2026	3213	ascending
Mission	Date	Abs. Orbit	Cycle	Pass
RADARSAT-1 (F4 beam)	05/12/2003	42196	122	ascending
RADARSAT-1 (F4 beam)	29/12/2003	42539	123	ascending
RADARSAT-1 (F4 beam)	10/03/2004	43568	126	ascending
RADARSAT-1 (F4 beam)	01/08/2004	45626	132	ascending
RADARSAT-1 (F4 beam)	29/11/2004	47341	137	ascending
RADARSAT-1 (F4 beam)	23/12/2004	47684	139	ascending
RADARSAT-1 (F4 beam)	14/11/2007	62776	182	ascending
RADARSAT-1 (F4 beam)	25/01/2008	63805	185	ascending
RADARSAT-1 (F4 beam)	13/03/2008	64491	187	ascending
RADARSAT-1 (F4 beam)	24/05/2008	65520	190	ascending

Un total de trois images ERS-1, quatre images ERS-2, 13 images ENVISAT ASAR, ainsi que 10 images RADARSAT-1 ont été obtenues. Toutes les images obtenues entre le 14 novembre 2007 et le 28 mai, 2008 ont été demandées par l'étudiant, c'est-à-dire qu'après une demande formelle, les agences spatiales ont accepté de prendre les images de spécification SAR, *Single-Look-Complex* à ces dates. Toutes les autres images étaient disponibles en archive. À partir de décembre, 2007 tout échantillonnage sur le terrain a été coordonné avec des dates d'acquisition de données de RADARSAT-1 et ENVISAT ASAR.

**Tableau 3: Interférogrammes de la Vallée de Toluca avec origine des images (mission) pour faire l'interférogramme, date d'acquisition d'images, ligne de base (baseline) perpendiculaire (b perp.) et ligne de base (baseline) parallèle (b paral.) en mètres, décalage de temps en jours (d\_days), ainsi qu'une description de la pertinence de l'interférogramme (tiré de Calderhead et al., 2009b).**

Mission	Date 1	Date 2	b perp.	b paral.	d_days	useful
ERS-1	1996-01-28	1996-04-07	26	22	70	yes
ERS-2	2001-03-21	2001-10-17	7121	2723	210	no
ERS-2	2001-10-17	2002-05-15	126	114	210	no
ERS-2	2002-05-15	2002-08-28	516	126	105	no
ENVISAT ASAR	2003-03-26	2003-07-09	869	413	105	no
ENVISAT ASAR	2003-03-26	2003-08-13	858	400	140	no
ENVISAT ASAR	2003-03-26	2004-02-04	74	77	315	yes
ENVISAT ASAR	2003-07-09	2004-02-04	505	126	210	yes
ENVISAT ASAR	2004-02-04	2004-04-14	310	73	70	yes
ENVISAT ASAR	2004-02-04	2004-12-15	64	14	315	yes
ENVISAT ASAR	2004-02-04	2005-01-19	120	46	350	yes
ENVISAT ASAR	2004-04-14	2004-12-15	374	87	245	yes
ENVISAT ASAR	2004-12-15	2005-01-19	56	32	35	yes
ENVISAT ASAR	2004-12-15	2007-12-05	100	74	1085	no
ENVISAT ASAR	2005-01-19	2005-06-08	243	125	140	yes
ENVISAT ASAR	2005-01-19	2005-11-30	94	40	315	yes
ENVISAT ASAR	2005-06-08	2005-11-30	149	85	175	yes
ENVISAT ASAR	2005-11-30	2007-12-05	217	88	735	yes
ENVISAT ASAR	2007-12-05	2008-02-13	29	33	70	yes
ENVISAT ASAR	2007-12-05	2008-04-23	85	86	140	yes
ENVISAT ASAR	2007-12-05	2008-05-28	185	2	175	yes
ENVISAT ASAR	2008-02-13	2008-04-23	172	41	70	yes
ENVISAT ASAR	2008-02-13	2008-05-28	323	108	105	yes
ENVISAT ASAR	2008-04-23	2008-05-28	151	149	35	yes
RADARSAT-1	2003-12-05	2003-12-29	1052	869	24	no
RADARSAT-1	2003-12-05	2004-03-10	592	456	96	yes
RADARSAT-1	2003-12-05	2004-11-29	1291	1074	360	no
RADARSAT-1	2003-12-29	2004-03-10	459	412	72	yes
RADARSAT-1	2003-12-29	2004-08-01	1125	942	216	no
RADARSAT-1	2003-12-29	2004-12-23	841	659	360	yes
RADARSAT-1	2004-03-10	2004-08-01	695	636	144	yes
RADARSAT-1	2004-03-10	2004-11-29	698	617	264	yes
RADARSAT-1	2004-08-01	2004-11-29	1393	1253	120	no
RADARSAT-1	2004-08-01	2004-12-23	312	389	144	yes
RADARSAT-1	2004-11-29	2004-12-23	1081	865	24	no
RADARSAT-1	2004-11-29	2007-11-14	1125	595	625	yes
RADARSAT-1	2004-08-01	2007-11-14	267	310	1200	no
RADARSAT-1	2004-12-23	2007-11-14	44	78	1056	yes
RADARSAT-1	2007-11-14	2008-01-25	521	452	72	yes
RADARSAT-1	2007-11-14	2008-03-13	28	5	120	yes
RADARSAT-1	2007-11-14	2008-05-24	754	654	192	yes
RADARSAT-1	2008-01-25	2008-03-13	492	446	48	yes
RADARSAT-1	2008-01-25	2008-05-24	1239	1015	120	no
RADARSAT-1	2008-03-13	2008-05-24	746	568	72	yes

Le tableau 3 montre les 44 interférogrammes générés par l'étudiant avec le logiciel EarthView InSAR (MDA, 2007). Des 44 interférogrammes, seulement 31 sont considérés comme pertinents, c'est-à-dire qu'il est possible d'obtenir de l'information sur la compaction.

En raison de la décorrélation temporelle et de grandes lignes de base perpendiculaires (perpendicular baselines – Annexe F pour description), les images provenant d'ERS-2 n'étaient pas utilisables pour notre étude. Seulement une paire ERS-1 était utilisable. Les autres paires d'images utilisées dans l'étude proviennent soit d'ENVISAT ASAR ou soit de RADARSAT-1.

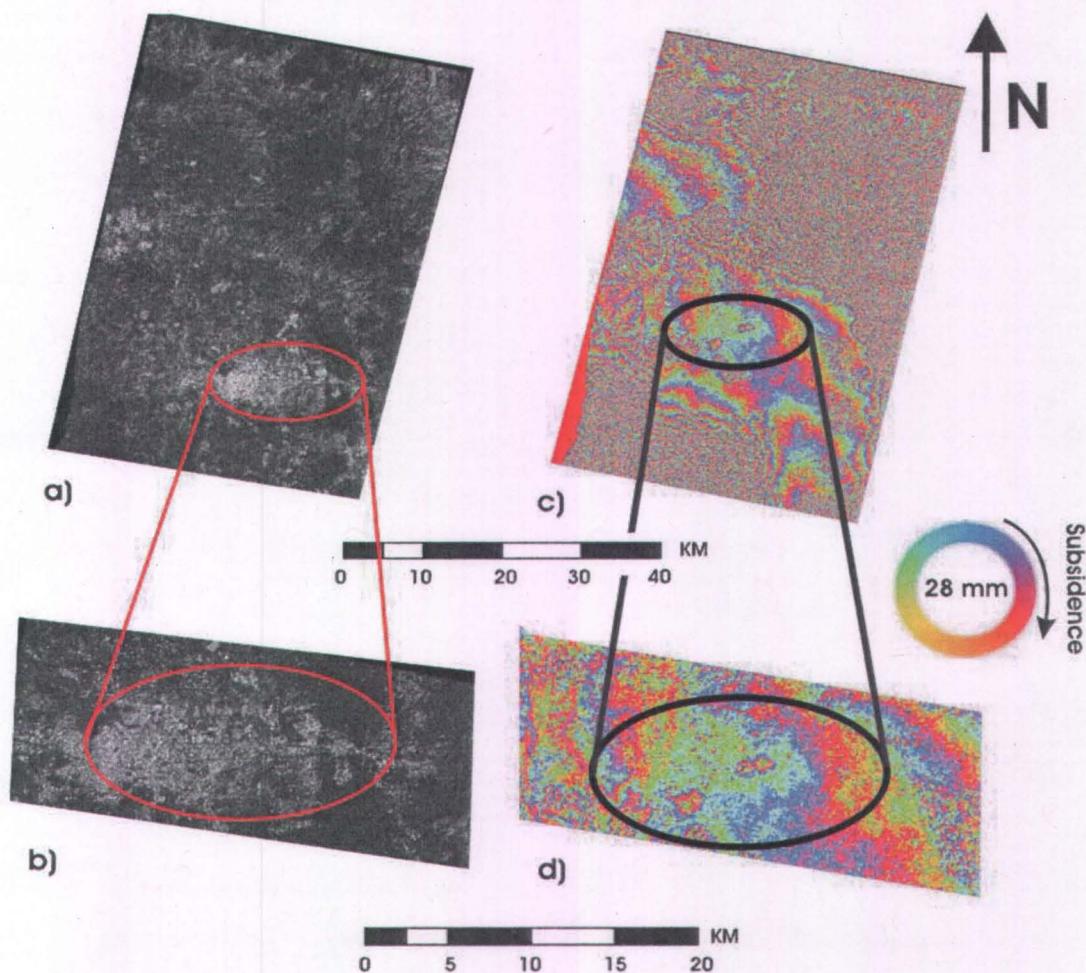


Figure 11 : a) et b) démontrent la cohérence dans la vallée de Toluca pour une paire d'images ENVISAT ASAR acquises le 5 Décembre 2007 et le 28 Mai, 2008. c) et d) démontrent l'interférogramme de la même paire d'images. b) est un zoom de a) et d) est un zoom de c) (tirée de Calderhead et al., 2009b).

Les figures 11a et 11b montrent la cohérence dans la vallée de Toluca pour une paire d'images ENVISAT ASAR acquises le 5 décembre 2007 et le 28 mai, 2008. Avec une cohérence élevée, il est plus facile de détecter un mouvement de terrain. La couleur blanche représente une cohérence élevée et les couleurs foncées représentent une faible cohérence. La cohérence est plus élevée dans les zones urbaines et diminue fortement dans les zones végétales et lorsque les images sont acquises pendant la saison de croissance végétative (mai à novembre). De plus, une cohérence élevée est obtenue lorsque les images acquises ont un écart entre les acquisitions de moins d'un an. Dans certains cas il a été possible d'utiliser un écart entre les acquisitions d'image plus long (jusqu'à 3 ans de différence).

Les conditions atmosphériques entraînent des variations dans les interférogrammes. Cependant, les zones d'affaissement ont été observées dans tous les interférogrammes utilisables, donc le signal détecté n'est pas du aux variations atmosphériques. Une zone d'intérêt, où la subsidence est détectée et mesurée, est évidente aux Figures 11c et 11d. Sachant qu'ENVISAT ASAR utilise le radar en bande C (longueur d'onde de 5,6 cm), les estimations préliminaires des mouvements de terrain sont obtenues à partir de l'interfrogramme. Une frange complète, rouge-vert-bleue, ou un cycle  $2\pi$  de phase, représente un déplacement de terrain de  $\lambda / 2$  (2,8 cm) quand le sol est plat (souvent le cas dans la Vallée de Toluca), où  $\lambda$  est la longueur d'onde du capteur SAR (voir figure 11). Les relevées de terrain, c'est-à-dire les mesures d'affaissement dans les extensomètres, aident à vérifier les résultats obtenus par cette méthode.

Figures 11c et 11d démontrent l'interfrogramme de la même paire d'images (5 décembre 2007 et mai 28, 2008) pour la vallée de Toluca. Les grandes franges de la figure 11c indiquent les zones où la cohérence est suffisante pour détecter les mouvements de terrain. Les pixels épars représentent des zones où l'information ne peut pas être utilisée en raison d'une faible cohérence. Dans la plupart des cas, à l'extérieur des zones urbaines, il est impossible d'obtenir des informations utiles, puisque l'usage des sols est surtout caractérisé par la croissance végétative.

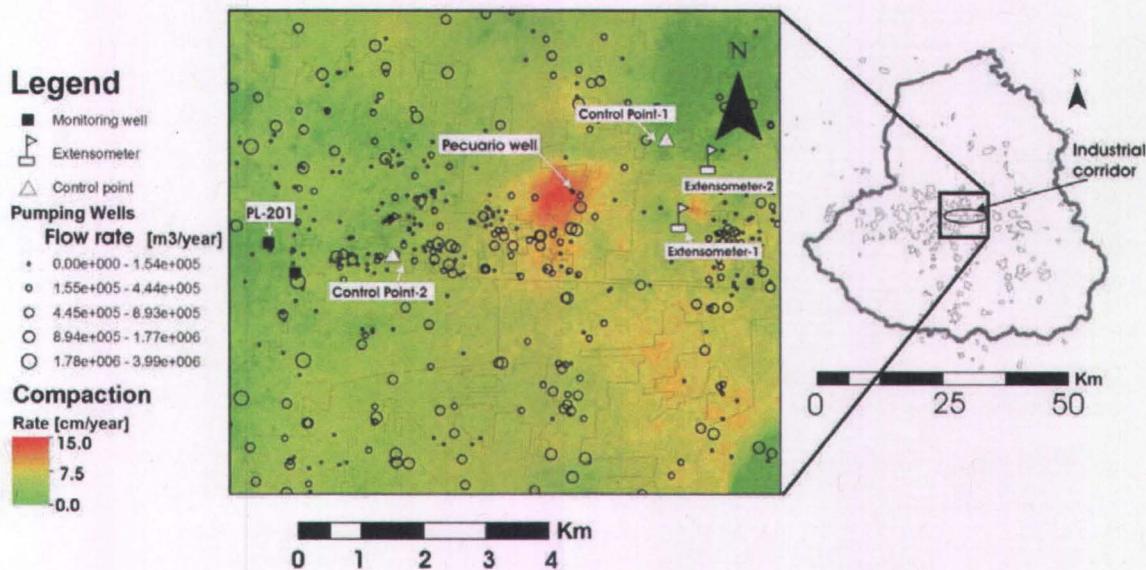


Figure 12: Description de la zone d'intérêt dans la vallée de Toluca; position des extensomètres, points de contrôle, puits d'observation, puits de pompage, et les taux d'affaissement mesurés avec InSAR entre décembre 2007 et mai 2008 (tirée de Calderhead et al., 2009b).

La figure 12 montre un exemple du produit final d'InSAR. On perçoit une carte de déformation du corridor industriel. La région d'affaissement maximal est de couleur rouge. Cette zone est détectée dans tous les interférogrammes mentionnés dans le tableau 3, donc elle n'est pas causée par des perturbations atmosphériques. Dans cette image, le plus haut taux d'affaissement est estimé à 7.2 cm en 175 jours ou 15 cm/an.

## 7 MODÉLISATION

La théorie de compaction, discutée plus en détail au Chapitre 4 (Calderhead et al., 2009c), se base sur le principe de Terzhagi (1925). Voir Annexe B pour une liste de modèles de compaction. En observant les argiles de la vallée de Toluca (e.g. Figure 13), il est possible de constater qu'elles se déforment tant de façon élastique qu'inélastique.

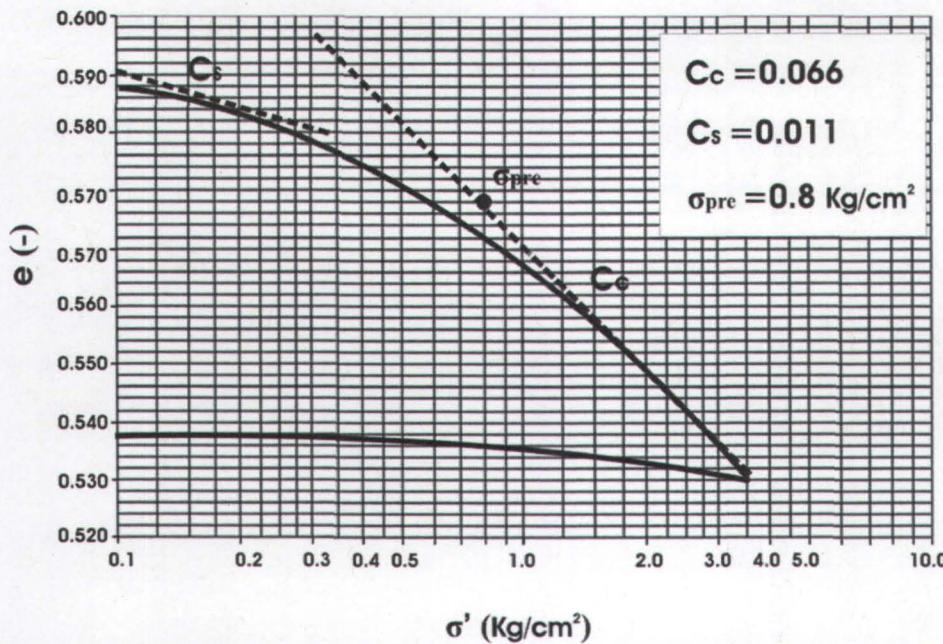


Figure 13: Exemple de résultats de tests de compression d'une argile typique de la Vallée de Toluca (de UAEM, 2008): Indice des vide ( $e$ ) versus la contrainte effective ( $\sigma'$ ), où  $\sigma'_{\text{(pre)}}$  est la contrainte effective de préconsolidation,  $C_c$  est l'indice de compression inélastique et  $C_s$  est l'indice de compression élastique (tirée de Calderhead et al., 2009c)

La compressibilité ( $\bar{\alpha}$ ), l'emmagasinement spécifique squelettique élastique ( $S'_{\text{ske}}$ ) et l'emmagasinement spécifique squelettique inélastique ( $S'_{\text{skv}}$ ) peuvent être obtenus de tests de consolidation en utilisant  $C_c$  et  $C_s$  (Figure 13 et Calderhead et al., 2009c).

Pour tenir compte de la modification significative de l'emmagasinement spécifique squelettique, lorsque la contrainte effective dépasse la contrainte effective de préconsolidation, deux valeurs distinctes sont souvent utilisées. Pour des contraintes supérieures à la contrainte de préconsolidation,  $S'_{\text{skv}}$  est utilisé, et  $S'_{\text{ske}}$  est utilisé pour des contraintes inférieures à la contrainte de préconsolidation (figure 13). Dans une certaine mesure, cette approche linéarise la contrainte non-linéaire de la relation de compaction à l'égard de la contrainte de préconsolidation. En observant la figure 13 et autres courbes  $e - \log \sigma'_{zz}$  à partir d'essais de consolidation des argiles de la Vallée de Toluca (Minor, 2007), la loi constitutive résultante (représentée par l'équation 8 dans Calderhead et al., 2009c) est une bonne estimation de ces argiles, mais elle n'est qu'une approximation des processus de compaction des sédiments.

De plus, nous constatons qu'il y a des délais de compaction, d'environ 4 mois, avec la baisse du niveau piézométrique (e.g. voir figure 8 du chapitre 2). Étant donné que les délais ne sont pas très grandes par rapport à la longueur des simulations (100 ans), il est supposé qu'en simulant la compaction instantanée, les différences avec les simulations et la réalité sont négligeables.

Maintenant que les processus de compactations des argiles de la Vallée de Toluca ont été introduits, l'étape de la modélisation suit et se divise en cinq parties distinctes (1) couplage d'un module de compaction avec le modèle HydroGeoSphere; (2) vérification du nouveau modèle; (3) conception et mise en œuvre du modèle numérique de la vallée de Toluca; (4) calage; et (5) résultats des simulations

## 7.1 Couplage d'un module de compaction

Une partie importante de cette thèse consiste à intégrer le processus de l'affaissement dû au pompage dans le logiciel de HydroGeoSphere (HGS) (Therrien et al., 2009). HGS est un modèle numérique complet et entièrement intégré décrivant l'écoulement 2D des eaux de surface et l'écoulement souterrain 3D à saturation variable en plus du transport de masse dissout et du transport réactif.

HGS a été amélioré en incorporant un module capable de simuler la déformation instantanée de milieux poro-élastique et poro-inélastique, afin de prendre en considération les phénomènes réversibles et irréversibles. L'accent a été mis sur la déformation inélastique due à la subsidence irréversible des matériaux de l'aquifère qui a lieu dans la Vallée de Toluca. Le module simulant la déformation a été couplé au module d'écoulement HGS pour prendre en considération la compaction instantanée du milieu poreux. La théorie pour représenter le couplage HGS-compaction est présentée au chapitre 4.

La formulation utilisée pour le couplage a été précédemment mise en œuvre dans le modèle en différences-finies, MODFLOW (Leake et Pradic, 1991; Hoffman et al., 2003b, Leake et Galloway, 2007) (Voir chapitre 4). Une différence importante avec les modules

MODFLOW est que le couplage a été fait avec un modèle d'éléments-fini et la méthode de solution implicite utilise l'itération Picard (Calderhead et al., 2009c).

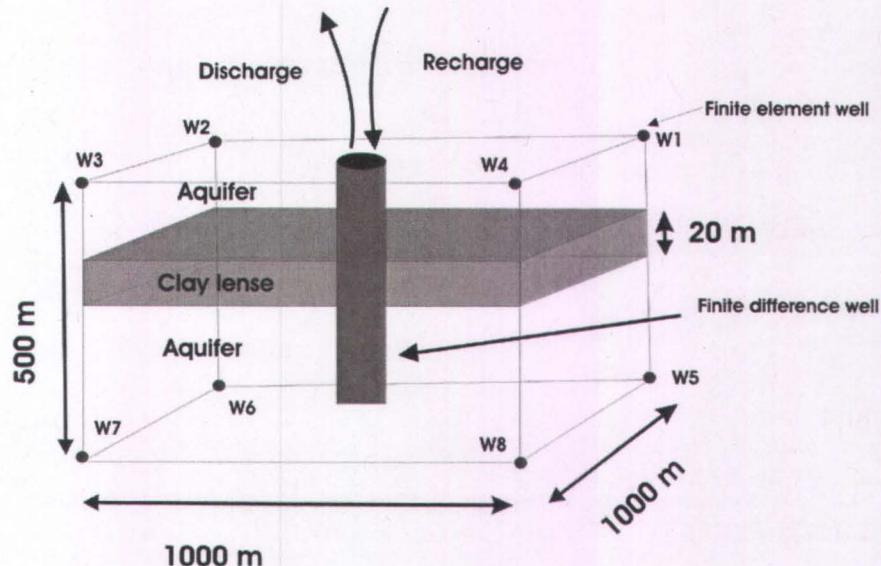
En combinant les termes de compaction à l'équation d'écoulement de HGS, nous obtenons (Voir aussi Chapitre 4):

$$-\nabla \cdot q + \sum \Gamma_{ex} \pm Q = [(1 - \gamma^*) * S_s + \gamma * S'_{sk}] \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} \quad (1)$$

Le couplage ignore les délais de compaction dus à une dissipation lente des charges hydrauliques transitoires dans les argiles et suppose que les charges s'équilibrent partout instantanément avec la charge dans l'aquifère environnant. Bien que les délais peuvent être importants dans certaines argiles (par exemple, Mexico), les argiles de la vallée de Toluca ont une réponse de compaction rapide quand il y a une diminution de la charge. (voir figure 19, comparaison de compaction dans l'extensomètre et charge hydraulique dans l'extensomètre).

## 7.2 Validation du nouveau modèle

Les modules de MODFLOW-SUB et la partie relative à l'écoulement de HGS ont été vérifiés par des solutions analytiques (Hoffmann et al., 2003b; Therrien et al., 2009) et ont été appliqués avec succès à plusieurs études de cas (Galloway and Hoffman, 2007; Therrien et al., 2009). Le nouveau module de compaction dans HGS est ainsi vérifié en le comparant avec MODFLOW-SUB dans la résolution d'un problème. Le scénario (Figure 14) est tiré de Hoffmann et al. (2003b) et décrit dans le Chapitre 4.



*Figure 14: Problème de vérification - Configuration du modèle utilisé pour simuler une variation saisonnière de la contrainte. Les seuls entrants et sortants dans le système sont la recharge ou la décharge par le(s) puits et l'emmagasinement dans l'aquifère et la couche d'argile. Le modèle MODFLOW-SUB en différences-finies utilise un seul puits pour la recharge et la décharge. La méthode d'éléments-finis de HGS utilise les 8 coins du bloc pour les puits (W1-W8), avec le pompage et les débits d'injection, respectivement, divisés par 8 pour chaque puits (tiré de Calderhead et al., 2009c).*

La simulation HGS utilise un modèle en éléments-finis et les charges hydrauliques sont donc simulées aux nœuds, et non dans le centre de cellules comme avec MODFLOW. Dans HGS, un élément 3D massif avec 8 nœuds est utilisé. Les taux de pompage sont également répartis entre les 8 nœuds, à l'inverse de MODFLOW où un seul taux est appliqué au centre de la cellule.

Les résultats de la simulation démontrent que les charges hydrauliques calculées à chaque nœud sont égales pour les deux modèles (Figure 15). La compaction totale (subsidence) en HGS (Figure 15) est calculée par la somme verticale de la compaction de chaque nœuds qui ont les mêmes coordonnées x, y.

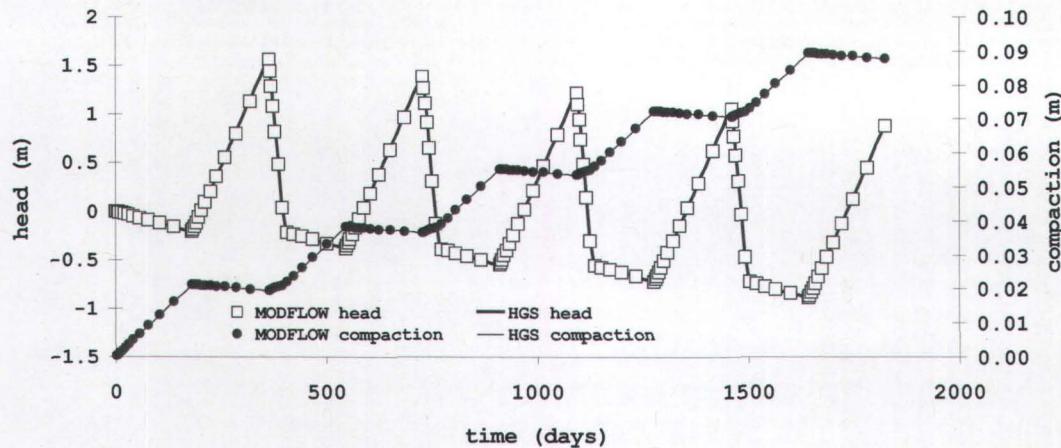


Figure 15: Résultats de vérification démontrant la charge hydraulique et la compaction totale pour les simulations HGS-COMPACTATION ET MODFLOW-SUB (tirée de Calderhead et al., 2009c).

Les charges hydrauliques et la compaction totale de la couche calculées dans MODFLOW-SUB et dans HGS-compaction sont présentées à la figure 15. Pour chaque modèle, nous notons que les charges hydrauliques et les valeurs de compaction sont identiques. En utilisant les équations de couplage et les time weighting schemes (implicites) identiques, des résultats identiques ont été obtenus avec les deux modèles.

### 7.3 Conception et mise en œuvre du modèle numérique dans la Vallée de Toluca

Cette section présente la configuration du modèle numérique. Les paramètres qui ont été incorporés dans le modèle régionale sont : les conditions initiales et limites, la recharge, le pompage, la méthode de solution (tableau 4), et le modèle géologique 3D (Figure 16).

**Tableau 4: Conception du modèle numérique de la vallée de Toluca (tirée de Calderhead et al., 2009).**

SIMULATION SETUP	DESCRIPTION
<b>Boundary Conditions</b>	
Uniform vertical recharge	135 mm/year
Constant head boundary	Nodes at top of layer 1; See Figure 8D for xy location of boundary
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
Hydraulic head	Estimated hydraulic head values from 1950 (based on CNA (2008))
Simulations begin date	January 1 <sup>st</sup> , 1950
<b>Total pumping</b>	
1950-1969	312 Mm <sup>3</sup> /year
1970-1977	346 Mm <sup>3</sup> /year
1978-1993	401 Mm <sup>3</sup> /year
1994-2004	456 Mm <sup>3</sup> /year
2005-2010	494 Mm <sup>3</sup> /year
<b>Solution</b>	
Solution method	Picard Iteration
Absolute convergence criteria	1.0e-4
Maximum iteration	15
Initial timestep	1 day
Maximum timestep	100 days

Pour faire face à la stratigraphie complexe de la vallée de Toluca, une chaîne de traitement utilise des journaux de forage pour générer un maillage 3D utilisable dans HGS (Figure 16). Voir chapitre 4 pour plus de détails.

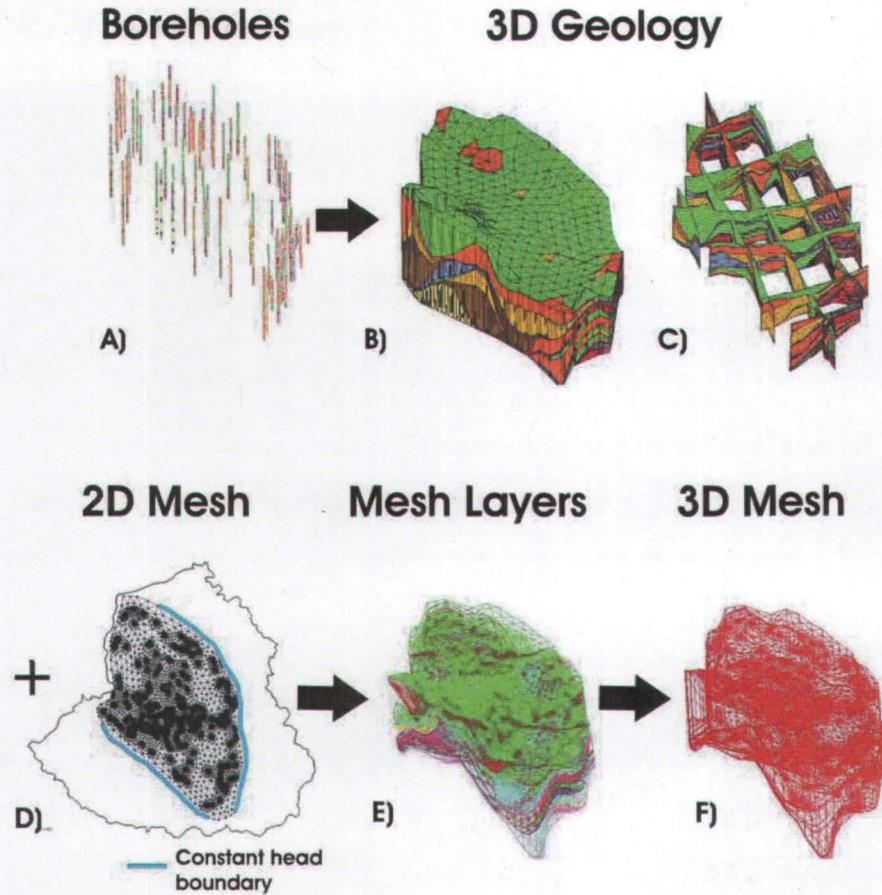


Figure 16: Chaîne de traitement pour l'obtention du modèle en éléments finis 3D. Les journaux de forage (A) sont utilisés pour générer la géologie en 3D (B et C), puis en utilisant les couches géologiques et le maillage 2D (D), la topographie des couches géologiques est extraite (E). Enfin, le maillage 3D (F) est généré (tiré de Calderhead et al., 2009c).

## 7.4 Calage

### Charge hydraulique

Le calage des charges hydrauliques a été effectué en utilisant les charges hydrauliques ou le rabattement mesuré dans les piézomètres à niveaux multiples situés dans la vallée et dans les extensomètres. Les simulations du rabattement (figure 17) suivent, en générale, la charge hydraulique et les valeurs mesurées au PL-201, PL-205, et à Extensometer-1.

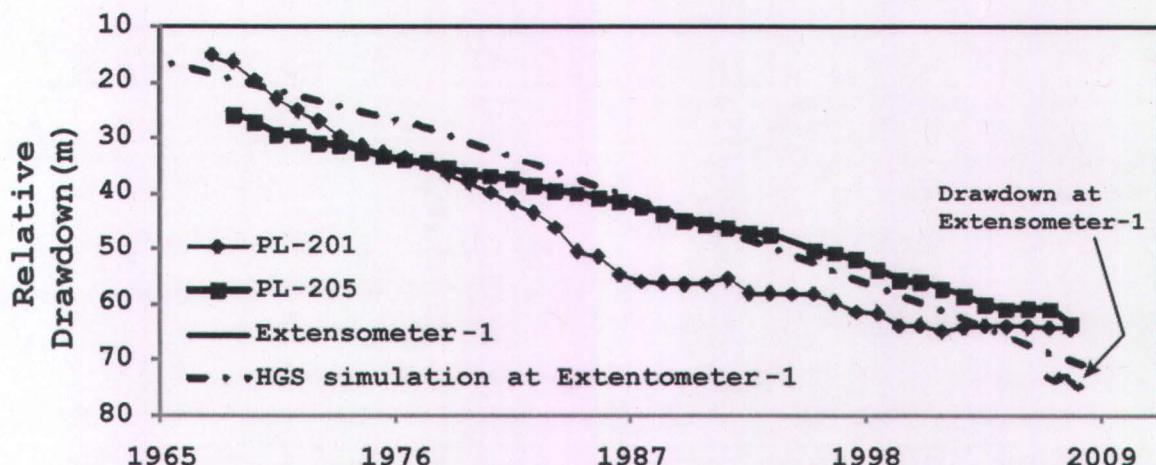


Figure 17: Rabattement relatif mesuré et simulé à l'Extensometre-1 ainsi qu'une comparaison avec les rabattements aux piézomètres multi-niveaux à proximité (PL-201 et PL-205) (tiré de Calderhead et al., 2009c).

### **Estimer $S'_{sk}$ pour une couche individuelle**

En utilisant l'épaisseur des couches argileuses (voir Calderhead et al., 2009c), les interférogrammes (e.g. Figure 18B), les données de pompage (IMTA, 2003) (figure 18A) et les mesures de charge hydraulique,  $S'_{ki}$  peut être contraint pour une couche individuelle  $i$ , appartenant au système de couches  $N$ .  $S'_K$  représente le coefficient de stockage squelettique du système aquifère des  $N$  couches en un lieu donné sur le plan  $xy$ , et est décrit par:

$$S'_k = \sum_{i=1}^N S'_{ki} = \sum_{i=1}^N S'_{ski} b_i \quad (2)$$

où  $b_i$  est l'épaisseur de la couche  $i$ . En utilisant les données des journaux de forage, la fraction de matériel compressible ( $\lambda_i$ ) peut être estimée pour toutes les couches  $N$ . En assignant la fraction de matériel compressible pour chaque couche, il est possible d'estimer  $S'_{sk}$  pour les couches individuelles d'argile ( $S'_{ski}$ ). Le chapitre 4 présente la méthode pour assigner les valeurs de  $S'_{ski}$  pour chaque couche.

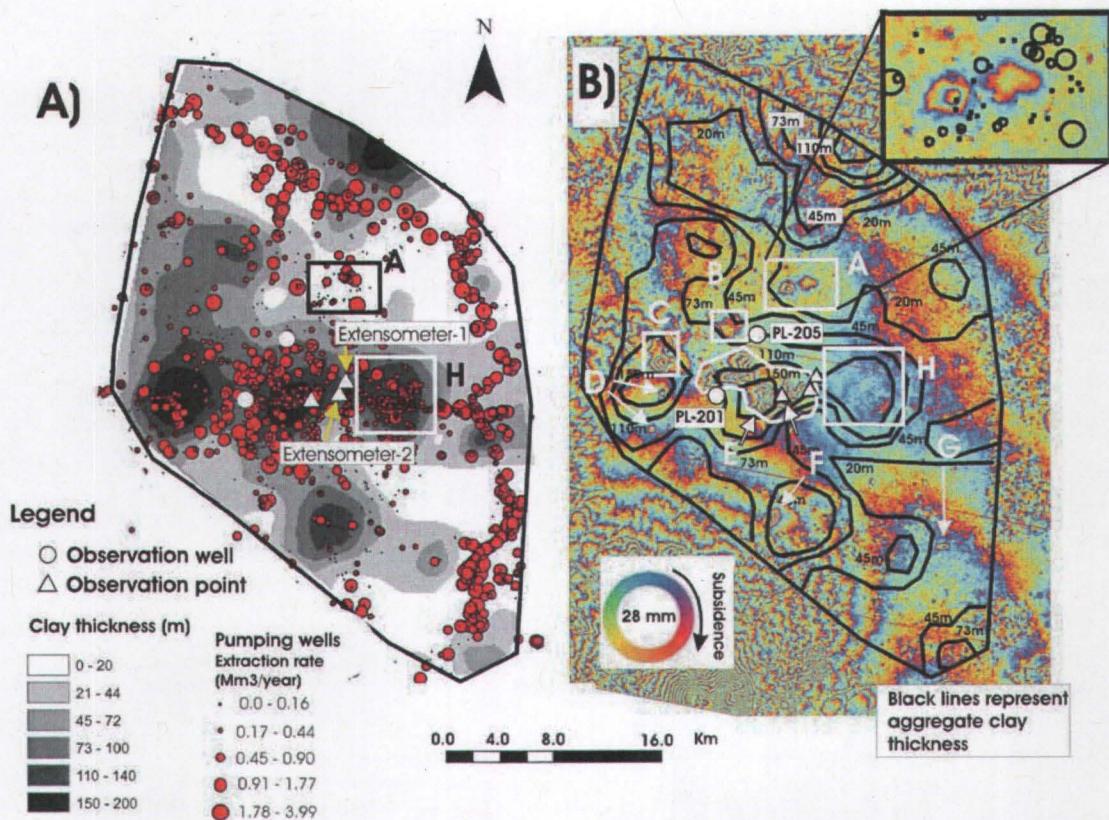


Figure 18: A) Somme verticale des épaisseurs de couches argileuses et position des puits de pompage avec leurs débits respectifs. Les zones blanches-gris-noires représentent la somme verticale des épaisseurs des couches argileuses. B) Interférogramme différentiel de la vallée de Toluca avec un intervalle d'acquisition de 70 jours. Les images ENVISAT ASAR ont été acquises le 5 décembre, 2007 et 13 février, 2008. Un cycle bleu-rouge-jaune représente l'affaissement vers le bas (2.8 cm), et à l'inverse, un cycle bleu-jaune-rouge représente un soulèvement. Les lignes noires représentent la somme verticale des épaisseurs des couches argileuses (à partir de 18A) (tirée de Calderhead et al., 2009c).

### Compaction

La figure 19 montre la compaction totale simulée et mesurée à l'Extensometer- 1 par ENVISAT ASAR, RADARSAT-1, les valeurs prélevées sur le terrain à Extensometer-1, et simulé avec HGS. Lors des simulations, le pompage,  $S_s$ ,  $S'_{skv}$ , et  $S'_{ske}$  ont été modifié pour obtenir une représentation respectable de la compaction (voir la section sur le calage dans Chapitre 4 et annexe H pour plus de détail).

Les rabattements (WL) simulés et mesurés à l'Extensometer-1 sont aussi montrés. Les simulations de compaction totale suivent relativement bien les résultats InSAR ainsi que les données de terrain.

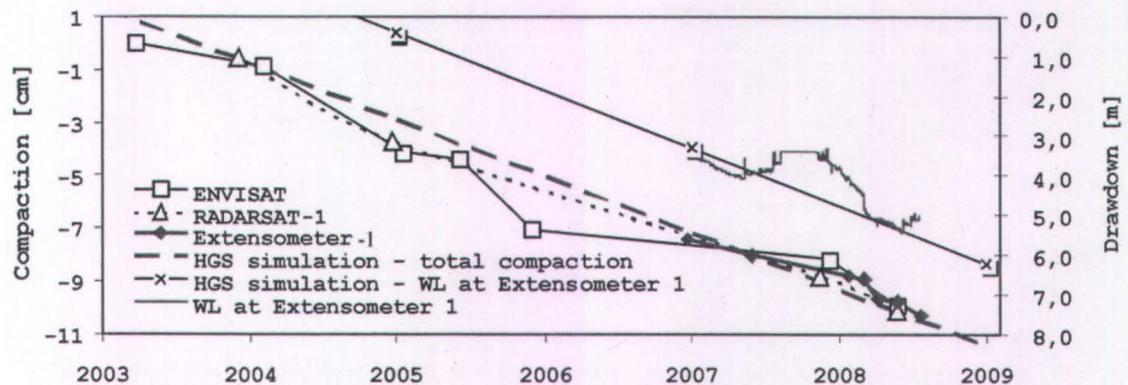


Figure 19: Compaction totale simulée et mesurée à Extensometer-1 par ENVISAT ASAR, RADARSAT-1, Extensometer-1, et les simulations HGS en fonction du temps. Les rabattement (WL) simulé et mesuré à Extensometer-1 en fonction du temps sont aussi montré (tirée de Calderhead et al 2009c).

## 7.5 Résultats des simulations de compaction

L'affaissement régional est simulé pour la vallée de Toluca entre 1950 et 2010. La compaction totale pour les années 1952, 1963, 1978, 1991, 2003, et 2009 est présentée à la figure 20. On note qu'il y a peu d'affaissement avant 1978 et qu'à partir de cette date l'affaissement est surtout situé dans le centre de la vallée, là où il y a un pompage important et où les couches d'argiles sont épaisses. En 2009, un affaissement total maximal de près de 2 mètres est simulé. Le rabattement de la charge hydraulique est présenté dans la section suivante.

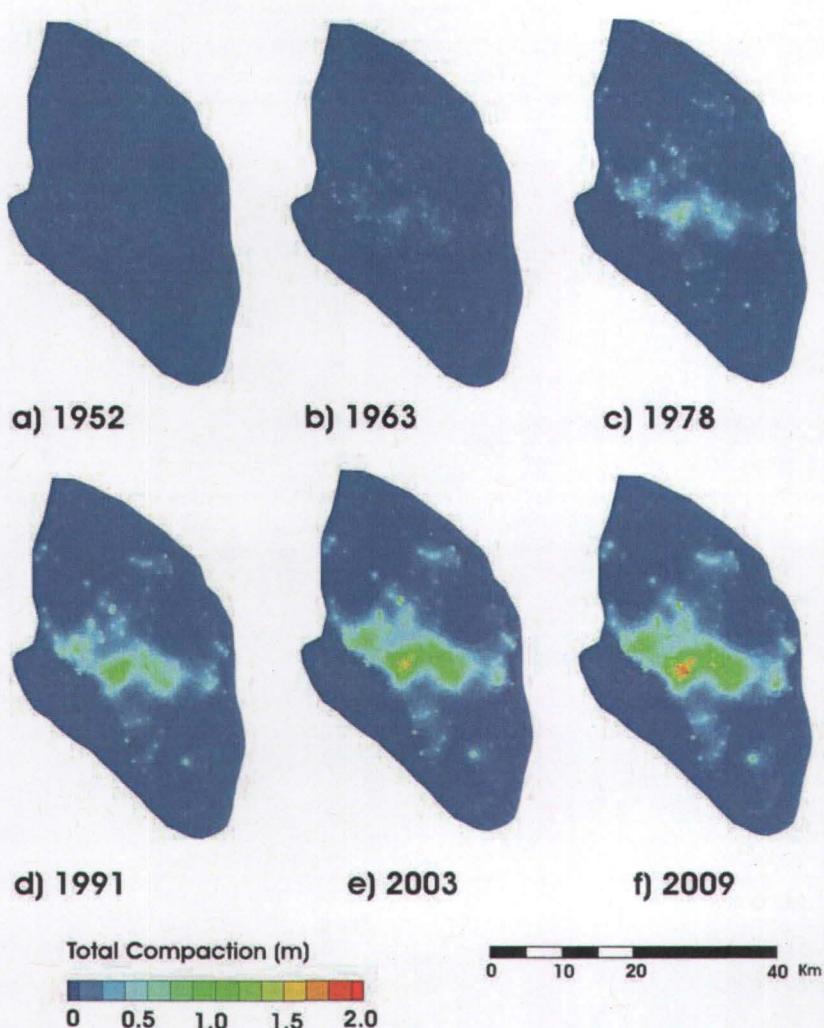


Figure 20: Évolution de l'affaissement régional dans la vallée de Toluca de 1960 à 2009 simulé avec HGS-Compaction (tirée de Calderhead et al., 2009c).

En comparant les simulations avec les résultats InSAR (figure 21), il est possible de constater qu'ils ne sont pas identiques. Par contre, les résultats sont acceptables et les simulations ainsi que les résultats InSAR reproduisent un affaissement semblable.

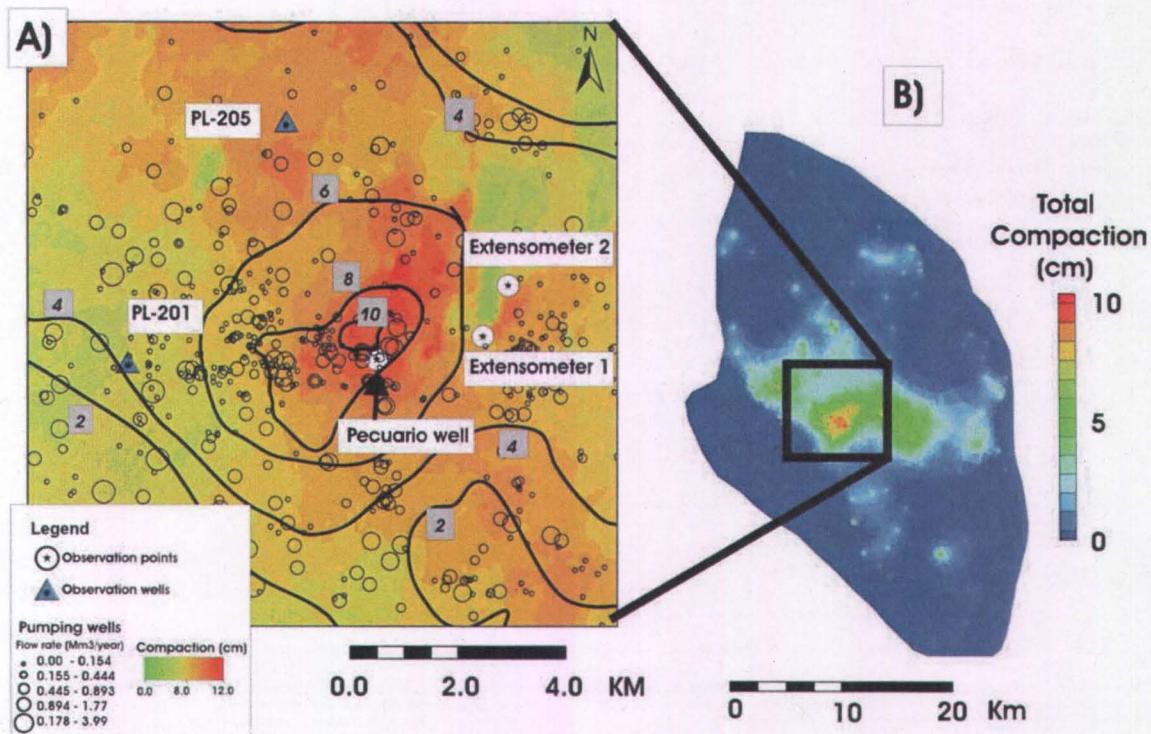


Figure 21: A) Simulation HGS-compaction (lignes solides noires) superposée à la carte de subsidence D-InSAR (remplissage en couleur) dans les 175 jours entre le 5 décembre 2007 et le 28 mai, 2008. L'emplacement des puits de pompage avec les taux de pompage est également indiqué. B) L'emplacement de la zone de compaction ainsi que la compaction régionale. (tirée de Calderhead et al., 2009c)

## 8 GESTION DE L'AQUIFÈRE

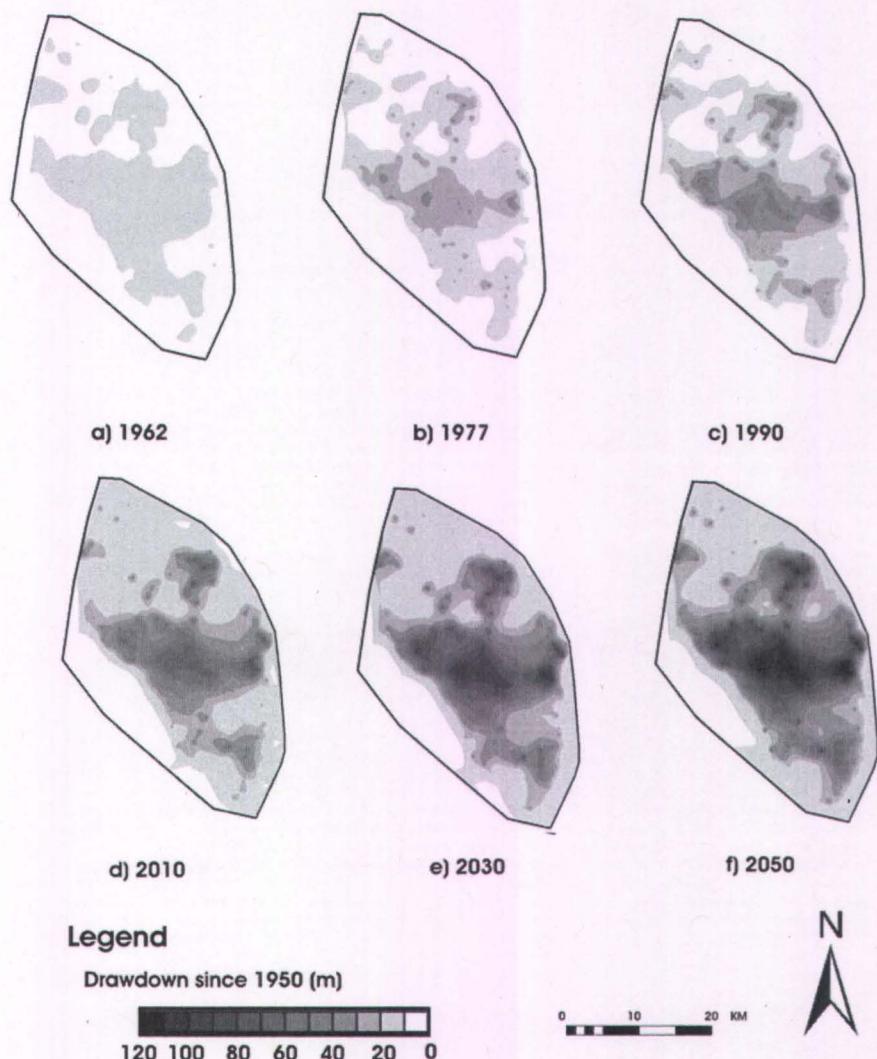
Huit scénarios avec des combinaisons différentes de taux de pompage, taux de recharge, et localité de pompage sont présentés afin d'aider à comprendre les possibilités d'affaissements futurs. Les scénarios 1-3 (Tableau 5) examinent les scénarios de recharge et de pompage dans le pire des cas (Scenario 1), le meilleur des cas (scenario 2), et les tendances moyennes attendues (scenario 3) (basés sur Calderhead et al., 2009a; et le IPCC (2007)). Les exportations vers Mexico augmentent ( $8 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ ) dans le pire des cas, diminue ( $3 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ ) dans le meilleur des cas, et reste constant ( $6 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ ) pour le scénario moyen. Un scénario probable est que le pompage vers Mexico diminue. Ainsi les scénarios 4 et 5 voient les exportations vers Mexico diminuer à  $0 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  et  $3 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  respectivement, tout en gardant des valeurs moyennes pour tous les autres paramètres. Le scénario 6 examine la possibilité de diminuer le pompage à Toluca (-25%) et Mexico (-

50%) à un taux plus durable. Les scénarios 7 et 8 utilisent le modèle de l'épaisseur d'argile (Calderhead et al., 2009c) pour déplacer les puits de pompage des zones à forte teneur en argile vers des zones à plus faible teneur en argile. Le scénario 7 utilise le pompage moyen attendu et le scénario 8 diminue les taux de pompage (aux valeurs du scénario 6). En diminuant le pompage pour l'usage local, les scénarios 6 et 8 impliquent une importation de l'eau à partir des bassins environnants.

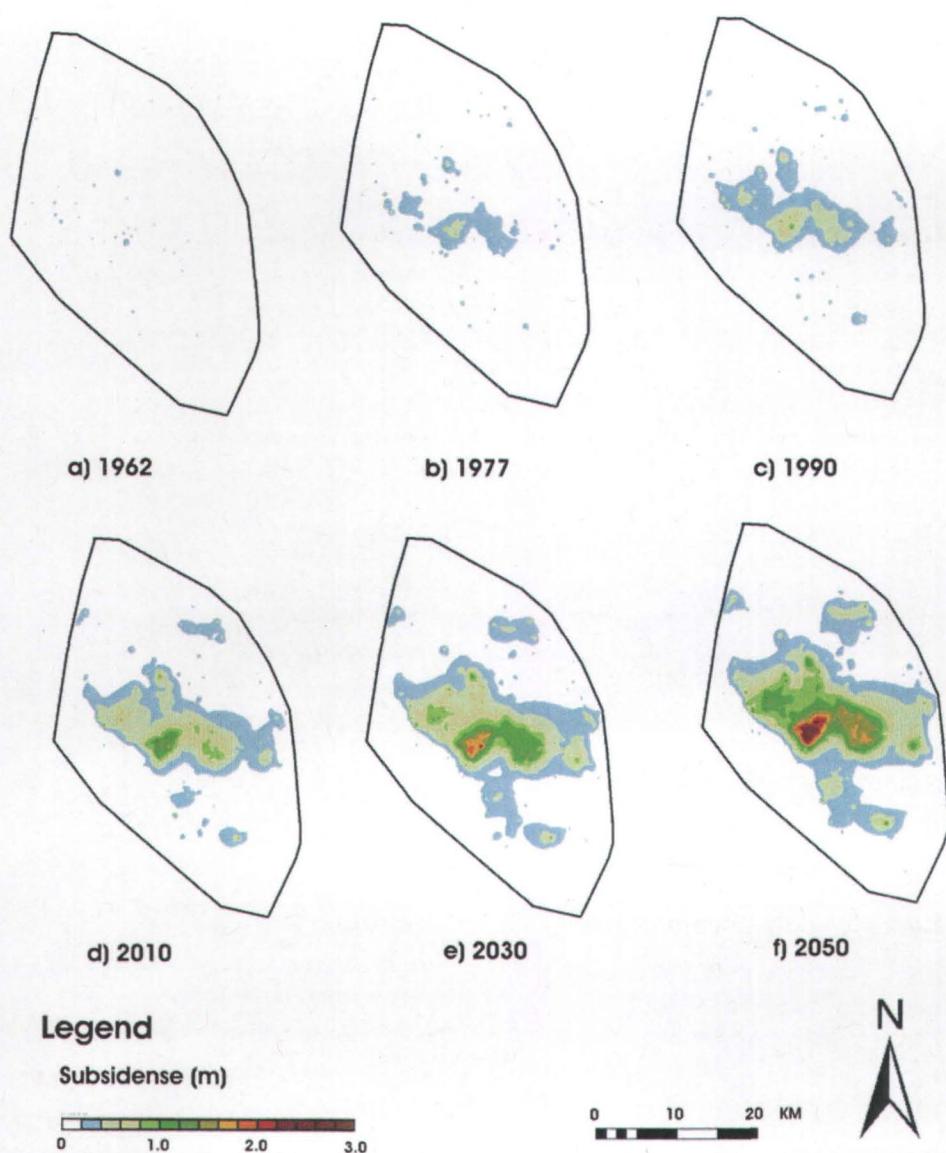
**Tableau 5: Scenarios de pompage 2010-2050 (tiré de Calderhead et al., 2009d).**

Scenario	Lerma pumping (to Mexico City)	Toluca Pumping	Recharge	Description
1	33% increase	worst case	worst case	Worst case expected with 33% increased Lerma pumping
2	50% decrease	best case	best case	Best case expected with 50% decrease in Lerma
3	constant at 6m3/s	average	average case	Average case with Lerma pumping constant at 6m3/s
4	Stop Lerma pumping (0m3/s)	average	average case	Average case with stopping Lerma pumping
5	50% decrease	average	average case	Average case with a 50% decrease in Lerma pumping
6	50% decrease	decrease by 25%	average case	Decrease Lerma pumping by 50% and decrease Toluca Basin pumping by 25%
7	constant at 6m3/s	average	average case	Move pumping centres to locations with less clay (see figure 4)
8	50% decrease	decrease by 25%	average case	Move pumping centres to locations with less clay (see figure 4) and decrease Toluca Basin pumping by 25% and Lerma Pumping by 50%

La figure 22 présente les simulations de la distribution du rabattement de la charge hydraulique depuis 1950, pour le scénario 3 (tableau 5) entre 1962 et 2050. Le rabattement régional commence vers 1962 et augmente au cours des années à cause de l'augmentation du déficit en eaux souterraines. En 1990, il ya déjà un rabattement marqué de plus de 40 mètres dans le centre de la vallée. Ceci progresse de manière significative au cours des 60 années qui suivent, en augmentant jusqu'à plus de 120 m dans le corridor industriel en 2050.



*Figure 22: Rabattement de la charge hydraulique simulé depuis 1950 et présenté pour les années a)1962, b)1977, c)1990, d) 2010, e)2030, et f)2050 (tirée de Calderhead et al., 2009d).*



*Figure 23: Distribution de la subsidence totale entre 1962 et 2050 (scénario 3) (tirée de Calderhead et al., 2009d).*

La Figure 23 montre la progression de l'affaissement total dans la vallée de Toluca. Les résultats de 1962 à 2050 sont basés sur le scénario moyen prévu (scénario 3). Les simulations débutent en 1950 et en 1962 la subsidence totale est locale et négligeable ( $<0,4$  m). Les affaissements sont progressivement plus importants à partir de cette date et parviennent à un affaissement total maximum de 3,8 m en 2050. La zone d'affaissement

maximale est située dans le corridor industriel (figure 1) où il y a des taux de pompage élevés, un rabattement élevé, et où il y a d'épaisses couches argileuses compressibles.

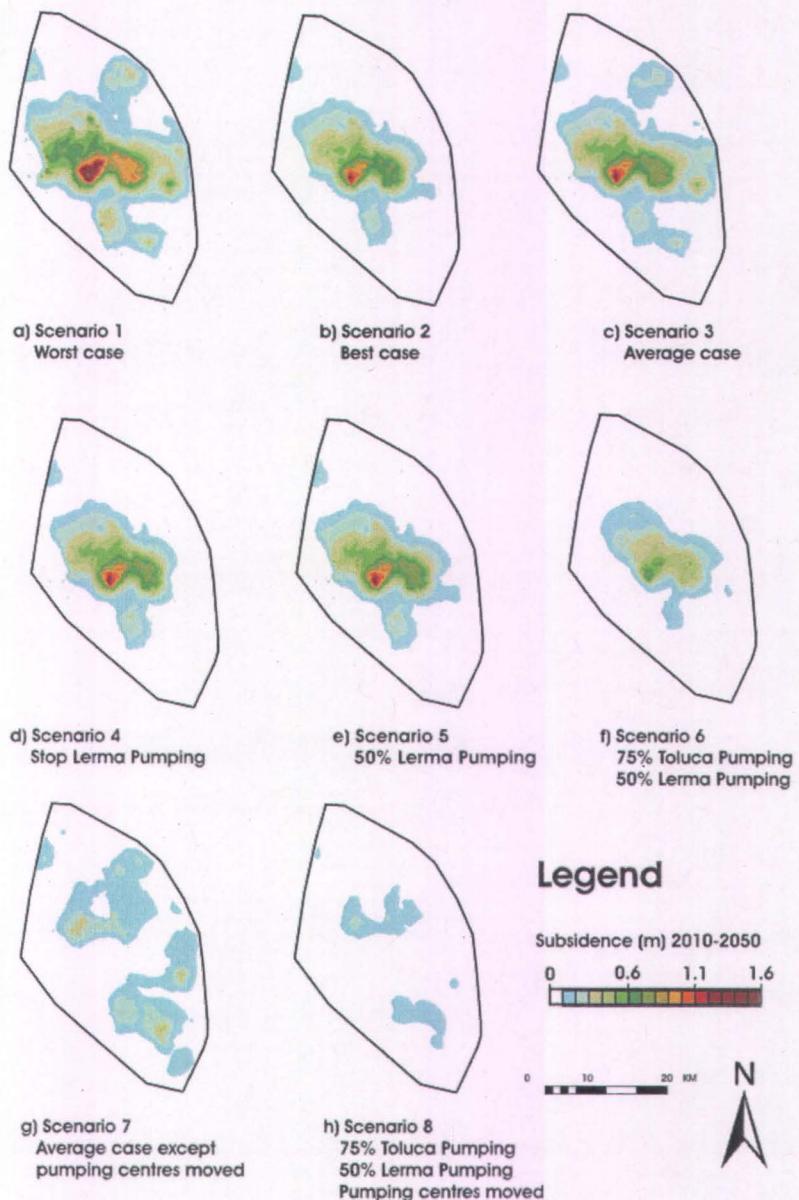


Figure 24: Résultats des simulations pour les scénarios 1-8 (tirée de Calderhead et al., 2009d).

La figure 24 présente les résultats de compaction total entre 2010 et 2050 pour les huit scénarios. Les scénarios 1 à 3 présentent respectivement les effets du pire, du meilleur, et du moyen scénario, en ce qui concerne les changements climatique et les paramètres de pompage. Calderhead et al. (2009a) a démontré que les changements climatiques ne sont

pas le facteur le plus important dans le bilan d'eau et donc le pompage excessif sera responsable de la grande majorité des effets de la subsidence. La subsidence totale maximum atteint 2,2 m pour le pire des cas (scénario 1), 1,4 m pour le meilleur scénario (scénario 2), et 1,6 m pour le scénario présentant les tendances moyennes attendues (scénario 3). En comparant ces scénarios, l'étendue spatiale de la zone affecté est similaire et les différences maximale entre le pire et le meilleur scenario est de 0,8 m pour la période de 40 ans.

Il n'y a que des différences subtiles entre complètement arrêter les exportations (scénario 4) et les réduire de la moitié (scénario 5). Toutefois, il existe des différences significatives entre les exportations constantes (scénario 3) et la réduction des exportations de moitié (scénario 5).

Le changement le plus marqué dans la subsidence se produit lorsque les centres de pompage sont déplacés (scénarios 7 et 8) à des endroits où il n'y a pas d'argile. La compaction totale peut être considérablement réduite, simplement en déplaçant les centres de pompage à différents endroits dans la vallée. Les résultats les plus souhaitables (scénario 8) montrent un affaissement maximal de <0,3 m en 2050. Ailleurs il n'y a que de l'affaissement limité dans toute la vallée.

## 9 CONCLUSIONS ET PERSPECTIVES

### *Bilan en eau*

En ce qui concerne le bilan en eau, cette étude des deux composantes les plus importantes du cycle de l'eau (la recharge et le décharge) montre clairement que la diminution de la disponibilité de l'eau dans le bassin de Toluca est principalement due à des effets anthropiques et que le taux de pompage actuelle n'est pas soutenable. De plus, les estimations de changement climatique doivent être prises en considération car elles seront potentiellement un facteur important sur le déficit budgétaire des eaux souterraines dans l'avenir, surtout dans les régions vulnérable aux sécheresses.

## **InSAR**

En comparant les résultats D-InSAR au données de compaction des extensomètres, il est possible de constater qu'il existe une corrélation directe. D'après les résultats, l'affaissement régional est bien quantifié par la méthode InSAR. En contrastant les images des capteurs ENVISAT ASAR et RADARSAT-1, il a été constaté que les lignes de bases (*baselines*) courtes (< 500 m) et des acquisitions d'images à intervalle de temps petite (< 1 an) conduisent à des résultats plus précis et mieux corrélées. Les argiles dans le couloir industriel se compactent d'une façon relativement linéaire, où les différents taux de compaction sont fonctions des propriétés géologiques et du taux de pompage. Les taux de subsidence maximale actuelle sont estimés à 15 cm/an à certains endroits. L'affaissement total maximal d'un point situé dans la vallée entre novembre 2003 et mai 2008 est d'environ 40 cm.

## **Modélisation**

L'interférométrie radar, le modèle géologique 3D, les données de terrain acquises et existantes ont permis à contraindre le modèle numérique écoulement-compaction. Les charges hydrauliques, le rabattement, et l'affaissement régional et local sont observées. Les résultats D-InSAR, les extensomètres, et les simulations numériques de la subsidence coïncident relativement bien. Il est constaté que la partie supérieure de l'aquifère est la partie la plus compressible. Des simulations montrent que, depuis la subsidence régionale a débuté dans les années 1960, elle a atteint 2 m dans le couloir industriel, là où le pompage est excessif et où les couches d'argile sont épaisse.

## **Gestion de l'aquifère**

Concernant les scenarios, complètement arrêter les exportations vers la ville de Mexico n'est pas le facteur le plus important pour le contrôle de la subsidence, car le système de pompage se situe principalement dans les régions à faible teneur en argile. Toutefois, diminuer les exportations de 50% et déplacer les centres de pompage à des endroits avec une faible teneur en argile, engendre un effet positif sur le bilan global de l'eau et la subsidence. Une grande partie des affaissements aurait pu être évitée s'il y avait eu une politique en place pour limiter le pompage dans les zones compressibles.

## **10 LES ASPECTS INNOVATEURS DE LA THÈSE.**

Cette partie récapitule les contributions significatives de cette thèse à l'avancement des connaissances dans le domaine de l'hydrogéologie, l'affaissement des sols, et la télédétection.

Plus spécifiquement, les contributions scientifiques sont les suivantes :

- Une amélioration de la compréhension du bilan en eau souterraine (recharge et décharge) pour la vallée de Toluca avec une méthodologie distincte (Chapitre 2)
- Des inclusions de changements climatiques dans les scénarios de comportement de recharge pour la vallée de Toluca (chapitre 2 et 5)
- Une amélioration du modèle géologique 3D, ainsi que la délimitation des couches compressibles pour la vallée de Toluca (chapitre 4)
- L'obtention d'images SAR pour la vallée de Toluca (Chapitre 3)
- L'utilisation de l'InSAR pour quantifier la compaction régionale dans la vallée de Toluca (Chapitre 3, 4)
- Les interférogrammes avec des images provenant de deux satellites différents (RADARSAT-1 et ENVISAT ASAR) sont comparés (Chapitre 3)
- Des méthodes de terrain novatrices pour l'installation d'extensomètre ont été entreprises (Chapitre 1)
- L'installation du réseau de suivi de niveau d'eau souterraine la vallée de Toluca (Chapitre 1)
- L'amélioration du modèle numérique HydroGeoSphere avec un module de compaction (Chapitre 4)
- L'utilisation d'InSAR, un modèle géologique 3D, et des données de pompage pour contraindre les paramètres de compressibilité ( $S'_{sk}$ ) (Chapitre 4)
- Des scenarios de pompage interbassin (présenté dans le Chapitre 5) pour la gestion de l'eau du bassin pouvant servir d'exemple pour tout autres bassin présentant cette problématique de subsidence et de surexploitation de l'aquifère.

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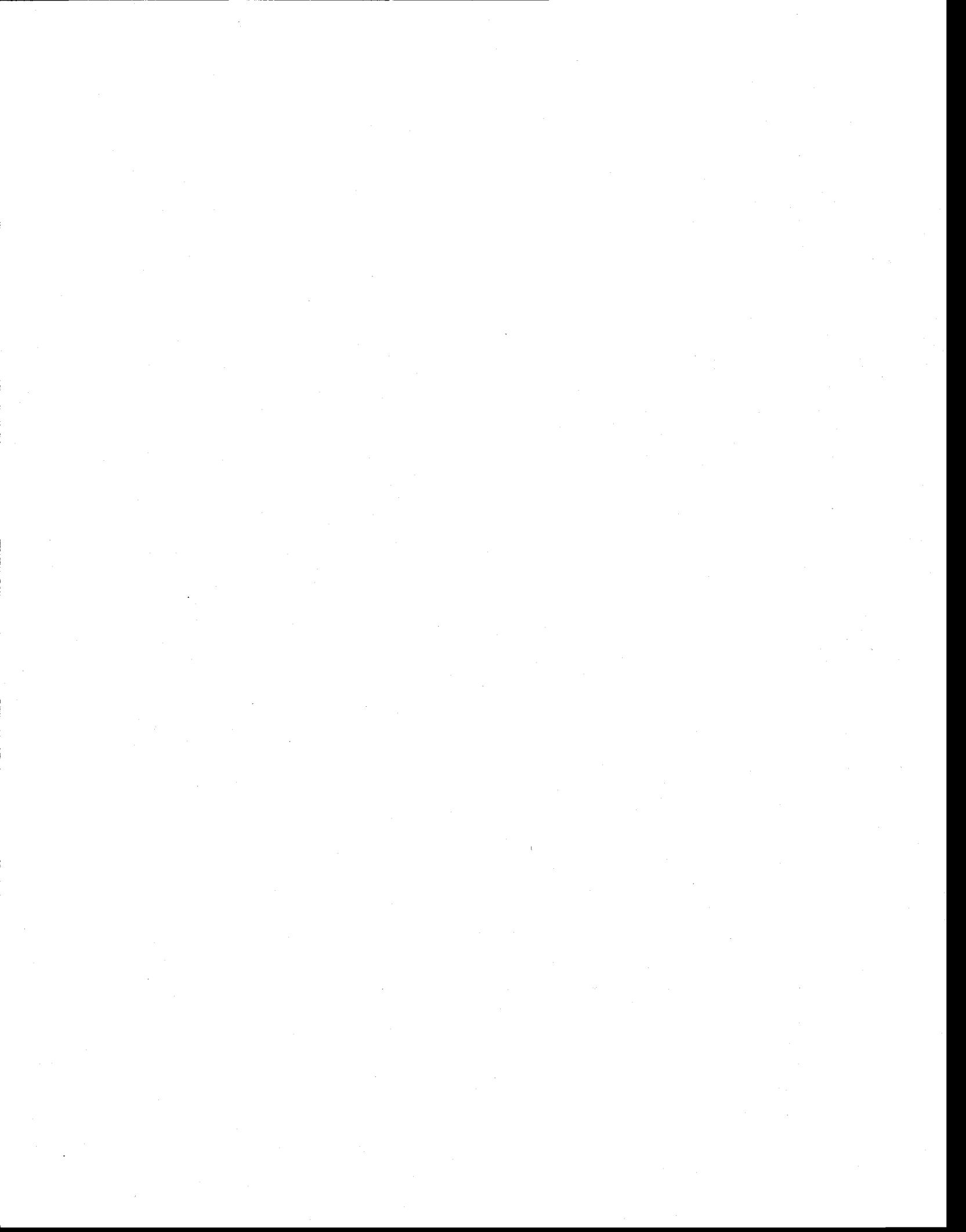
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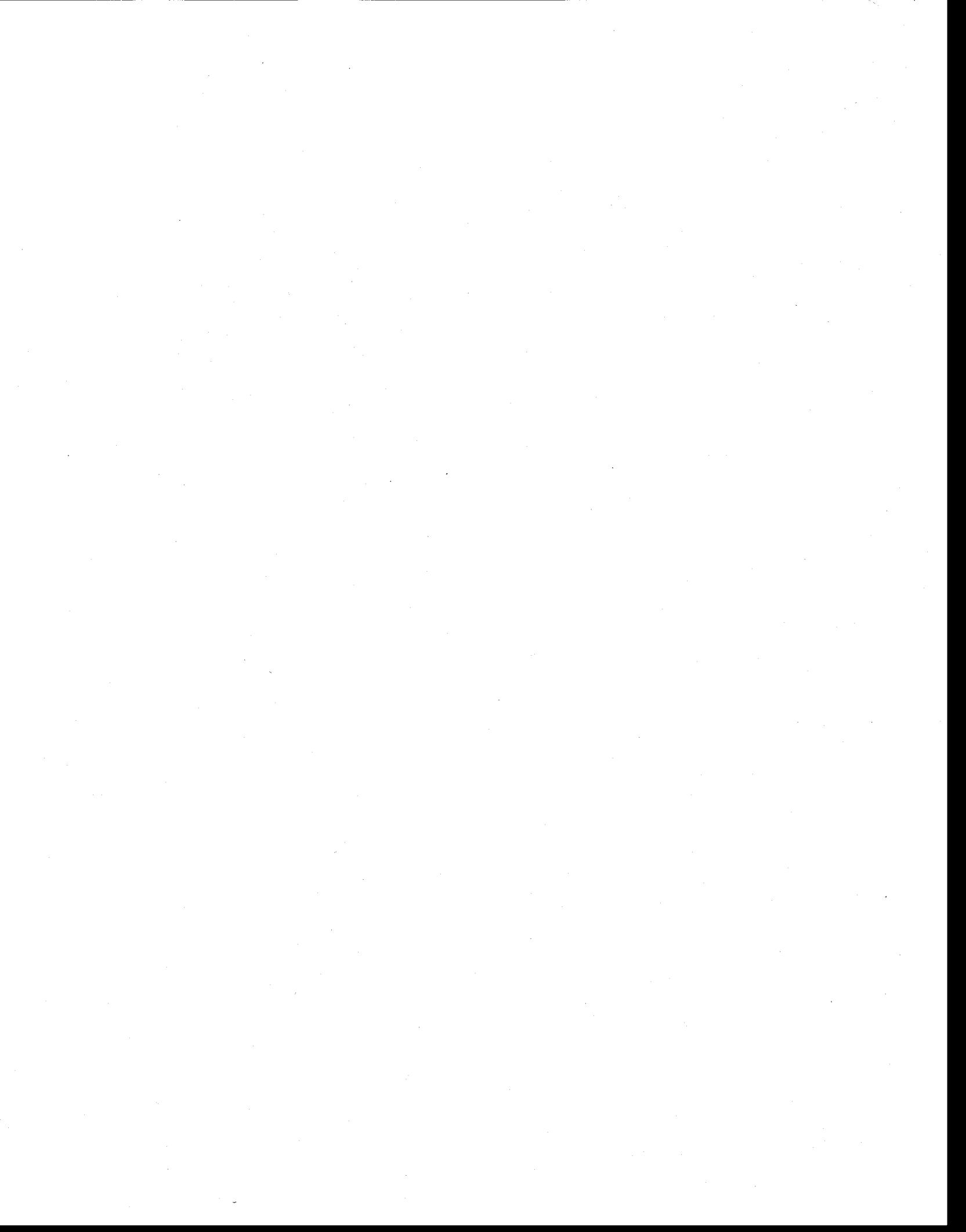


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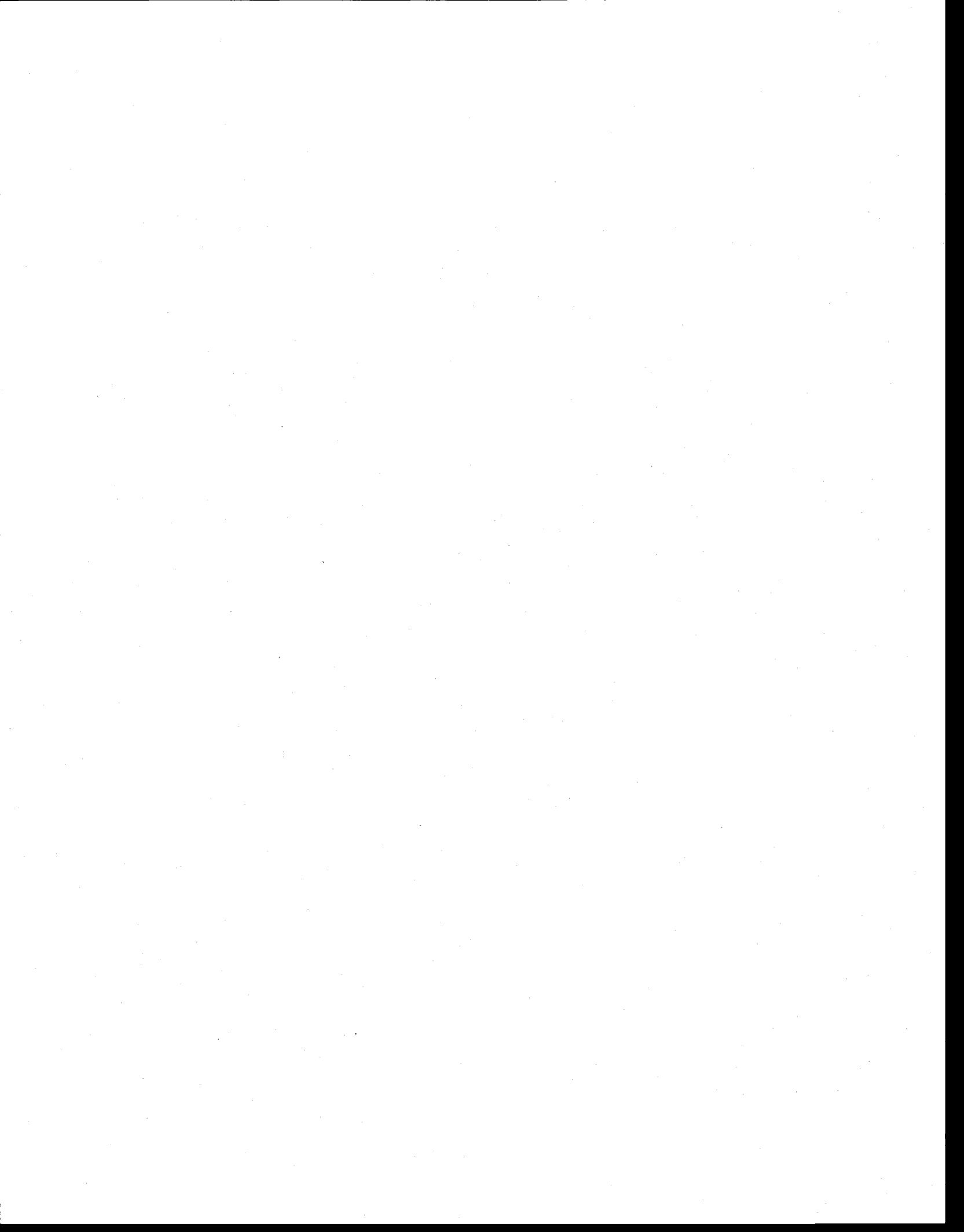
## **Chapitre 2:**

**An increasing groundwater budget deficit  
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## Résumé

La croissance urbaine, l'industrialisation et les changements climatiques peuvent entraîner un pompage supérieur à la recharge des eaux souterraines. Une méthodologie est proposée pour améliorer le modèle du bilan des eaux souterraines dans le but de déterminer la disponibilité de l'eau et de déficit passé, présent et futur. La méthodologie a des applications à des régions de plus en plus urbanisé, industrialisé et avec les tendances de sécheresse, dont la vallée de Toluca, au Mexique. Cette étude comprend l'étude de la recharge variable dans l'espace déterminée à partir de données historiques sur le climat, les prévisions de changement climatique, et les multiples paramètres utilisés dans le modèle HELP3. D'après HELP3, la recharge moyenne du bassin Toluca au cours des 35 dernières années est estimé à 376 millions de mètres cubes par an ( $Mm^3/an$ ). En examinant les prévisions de changement climatique, d'ici 2050, le scénario moyen projette que la recharge diminuera de 15  $Mm^3/an$ , et dans le pire des cas, jusqu'à une baisse maximal de 88  $Mm^3/an$ . Le pompage des eaux souterraines a augmenté régulièrement depuis 1970 et est actuellement estimé à 484  $Mm^3/an$ . Le déficit actuel est estimé à plus de 150  $Mm^3/an$  avec la projection moyenne à plus de 292  $Mm^3/an$  en 2050. L'utilité du modèle HELP3 est démontré, mais il est important de ne pas compter uniquement sur ce modèle pour déterminer la recharge et que la vérification des résultats avec d'autres modèles d'évapotranspiration et de ruissellement est nécessaire. Cette étude de deux des composantes les plus importantes du cycle de l'eau (la recharge et la décharge) montre clairement que la diminution de la disponibilité de l'eau dans le bassin de Toluca est principalement due aux effets anthropiques et que le taux de pompage ne sont pas durables.



# An increasing groundwater budget deficit induced by urbanization, industrialization, and climate change in the Toluca Valley, Mexico

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## Abstract

Urban growth, industrialization, and climate change can often result in groundwater pumping exceeding recharge. A methodology is proposed to improve the groundwater budget model by determining past, present, and future recharge and discharge. The model is applied to an increasingly urbanized and industrialized region with drying tendencies: the Toluca Valley, Mexico. This study includes spatially-variable recharge determined from historical climate data, climate change predictions, and the multiple parameters used in the Hydrologic Evaluation of Landfill Performance (HELP3) model. The change to the virgin recharge and discharge rates from pumping is also considered. Using HELP3, the average recharge for the Toluca basin in the past 35 years is estimated at 376 million cubic meters per year ( $Mm^3/year$ ). When considering climate change predictions, by 2050 the average scenario projects recharge to decrease by 15  $Mm^3/year$ , and in a worst case scenario up to a maximum decrease of 88  $Mm^3/year$ . Groundwater pumping has increased steadily since 1970 and is presently estimated at 484  $Mm^3/year$ . Current deficit estimates are over 150  $Mm^3/year$  with average projections increasing to over 292

Mm<sup>3</sup>/year by 2050. This study of two of the most important components of the water cycle (recharge and discharge) clearly shows that the decreasing water availability in the Toluca basin is due mainly to anthropogenic effects and that the current pumping rates are not sustainable. Climate change estimates should also be considered as they are potentially an important factor on the groundwater budget deficit in the future, especially in regions with high drying tendencies.

## 1 INTRODUCTION

Several major cities in the world are growing at a rate that creates mounting pressures on water resources. Over the past 50 years, several studies in the south western United States and central and northern Mexico have documented the deterioration of water quality and resources. Climate change patterns in this general region show that precipitation will likely decrease and temperature will increase (IPCC, 2007). It is now important, more than ever, in areas with increasing population, intensive industry and agriculture, and increasing drying tendencies, to properly quantify the water budget of groundwater basins in order to enable decision makers to act according to the findings.

The increased groundwater extraction from the aquifer system has caused a reversal in the direction of vertical hydraulic gradients, the disappearance of artesian springs and wetlands and land subsidence within the basin. The groundwater budget in the Toluca Valley has been evaluated by OEE (1970); Lesser and Asociados (1992); Ariel and Consultores (1996); CNA (2002) and GTZ-CNA (2004). These studies, however, lack a detailed analysis of recharge and present, in most cases, an incomplete survey of the pumping. To evaluate recharge, the above studies did not take into account several parameters and in several cases results were averaged over large territories. Jyrkama et al., (2002), Allen et al. (2004), Scibek and Allen (2006), and Jyrkama and Sykes (2007) use the spatially variable HELP approach for quantifying recharge with an emphasis placed on the effects of climate change in northern climates. In terms of recharge and climate change, this study follows the Jyrkama and Sykes (2007) approach where only general climate change scenarios are simulated. The difference in this study from other

climate change and groundwater studies is that the emphasis is placed on the overall groundwater budget with the impact of climate change considered as one of several factors in the budget.

The objective of this work is to improve the groundwater budget model in order to determine the past, current, and future deficit and water availability of the temperate-with-dry-winters climate of the Toluca Valley Basin. Using both observed climate data and climate change scenarios, this work applies a spatially variable version of the Hydrologic Evaluation of Landfill Performance (HELP/HELP3) model (Schroeder et al., 1994) over a watershed to obtain current and future recharge distributions; additionally, in using past and future discharges from the basin based on observed pumping, water levels, and consumption predictions of the basin. The deficit is then obtained and the findings can be used to manage the resources in a sustainable way.

## 2 THE TOLUCA VALLEY

The Toluca Valley basin (figures 1 and 2) covers an area of approximately 2100 Km<sup>2</sup>. The basin is adjacent to the Mexico City Valley, with the Sierra Las Cruces forming a natural border between the two basins. The Toluca Valley's geographic position in the center of the country and proximity to Mexico City, as well as its rapidly developing infrastructure, have allowed the city to grow into a major industrial zone for the country.

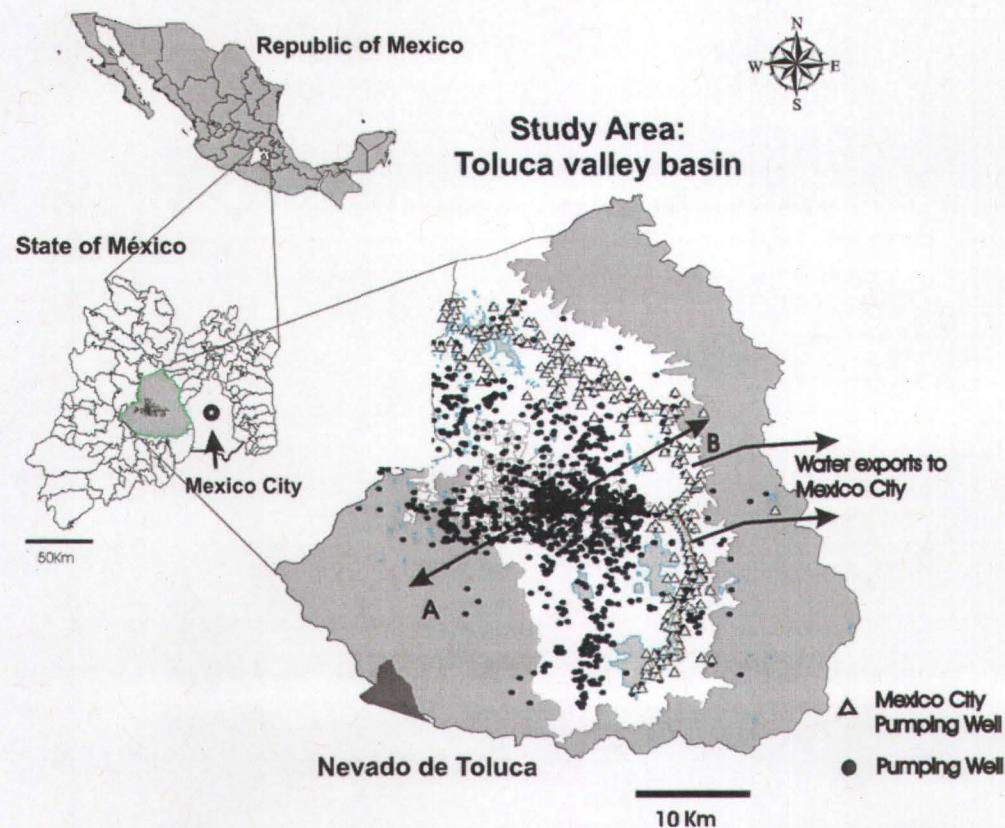


Figure 1: Location map of the Toluca Valley within the Republic of Mexico and the State of México. Over 935 pumping wells are in operation in the Valley, including the 230 pumping well system, located along the Lerma river on the eastern edge of the valley, and pumping water to Mexico City.

According to the 2005 census (INEGI, 2005), the metropolitan area of Toluca, including 12 neighbouring municipalities, is the fifth most populous metropolitan area in Mexico and the largest within the State of México. The total population of the Toluca Valley in 2005 was just over 1.7 million people (INEGI, 2005). From 1960 to 2005, the population

of the valley has doubled every 20 years (INEGI, 1960-2005). Based on United Nation projections for Mexico (UNEP, 2008), the population of the valley will reach a plateau of 2.2 million people in 2050.

The conceptual model of the Toluca Valley basin, including general water cycling, groundwater pumping and the major geological features found within the basin, is shown in figure 2. Historically, for wells located near the ancient lakes on the eastern basin floor of the Toluca Basin, groundwater levels were either near surface or emerged above the land surface (Lesser and Asociados, 1992). Currently, there is a significant decrease in the water level within the basin primarily due to groundwater pumping, and the loss is increasing with time. There are presently more than 935 pumping wells in the Toluca Valley. Increasing local demand for water and climatic drying tendencies also add to the stresses on the aquifer.

Inter-basin water transfer in the Toluca Valley occurs in the form of water being exported from the basin. The Lerma system wells are a groundwater pumping system operated by Mexico City and consisting of 396 pumping wells located along the upper section of the Lerma River (Figure 1). The system has been in operation since the late 1960's and captures a large portion of the recharge water entering from the Sierra Las Cruces, which is then exported to Mexico City at a rate approximately equal to  $6.0 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ .

Consolidated, volcanic andesitic rocks from the Miocene age form the basement material in the basin (Figure 2). The fractured rock forms a bowl in the centre of the valley, reaching depths greater than 600 m and cropping out to the surface at the edges of the valley. The andesitic volcano formation of the Nevado de Toluca core is located to the west. The fractured rock is overlain by layers of pure lacustrine clays (aquitard) and by the Chalma formation aquifer, composed of a mixture of sand, gravel and clay. The Tarango formation aquifer, deposited after the Chalma formation, extends from the flanks of the Sierra las Cruces mountains in the east across the basin floor to the foot of the Nevado of Toluca volcano. This formation is a heterogeneous mixture of volcaniclastic materials (Lesser and Asociados, 1992). The basaltic and ash-flows aquifer of the

Chichinautzin formation were deposited in the eastern portion of the Toluca Valley. In the upper middle portion of the valley, where most of the groundwater pumping occurs, complex interlayering of lacustrine clay (aquitard) and alluvium deposits (aquifer) is found. Also included in figure 2 are the HELP3 layers, which will be examined further in section 3.1.

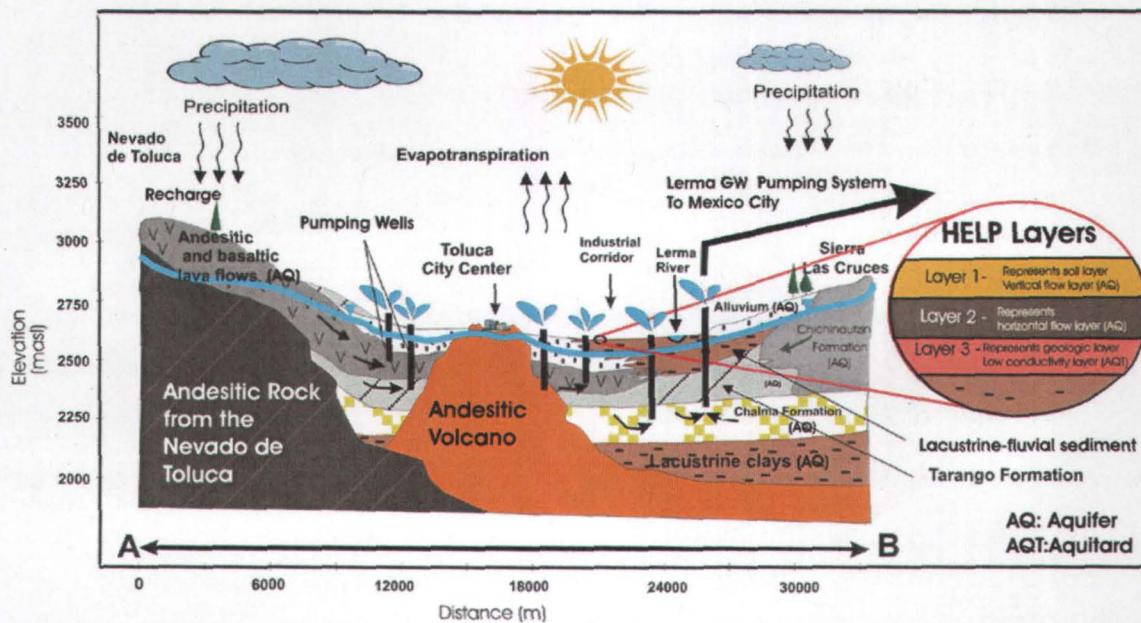


Figure 2: 2D view of the conceptual model for the Toluca Valley Basin including geologic layers and HELP3 layers. Cross section A-B is located on figure 1. Modified from Ariel and Consultores (1996) and Rudolph et al., (2006).

### 3 METHODOLOGY

The basic water budget equation can be written as:

$$R = D + P + \partial V / \partial t = 0, \quad (1)$$

where  $R$  is groundwater recharge defined with units [ $\text{L}^3/\text{T}$ ] (for purposes of this work, the units are assigned  $\text{Mm}^3/\text{year}$  or millions of cubic meters per year), generally assumed to come from precipitation and be unaffected by pumping,  $D$  is groundwater discharge [ $\text{Mm}^3/\text{year}$ ] or water that is not captured by pumping such as discharge to streams and lakes, evaporation, evapotranspiration, and  $P$  is the net rate of extraction from pumping

wells [Mm<sup>3</sup>/year].  $\partial V/\partial t$  is the rate of removal of water from storage [Mm<sup>3</sup>/year]. The sign of  $\partial V/\partial t$  is negative if there is a deficit and positive if there is a surplus.

Theis (1940), Bredehoeft (2002), Sophocleous et al. (2004), and Devlin and Sophocleous (2006), argue that this frequently used equation usually excludes the impact of pumping on recharge and discharge. Bredehoeft (2002) modified equation 1 to consider both discharge and recharge as a function of pumping:

$$(R_0 + \Delta R_0) - (D_0 + \Delta D_0) - P + / - \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} = 0 \quad (2)$$

where  $R_0$  is the virgin recharge rate prior to pumping (same as  $R$  in equation 1) [Mm<sup>3</sup>/year],  $\Delta R_0$  is the change to the virgin recharge rate due to pumping [Mm<sup>3</sup>/year],  $D_0$  is the natural or virgin discharge rate [Mm<sup>3</sup>/year],  $\Delta D_0$  is the change to the virgin discharge rate due to pumping (Mm<sup>3</sup>/year).  $\Delta D_0$  can be defined as the sum of the yearly change to the discharge rate due to pumping  $\Delta D_{yi}$  [Mm<sup>3</sup>/year] - since pumping began, by the following relation:

$$\Delta D_0 = \sum_i^n \Delta D_{yi} \quad (3)$$

where  $i$  is the year 1,2,3,...n, since pumping began.

Each parameter of equation 2 is examined for the case of the Toluca Valley. Additionally, equation 2 is modified to represent the virgin natural recharge ( $R_0$ ) as a function of the parameters used in HELP3. HELP3 is a quasi 2-D hydrologic model which was originally used for calculating the water budget at landfill sites. HELP3 considers climatic and geologic data and it simulates snow melt, runoff, infiltration, evapotranspiration, plant growth, soil humidity, subsurface runoff, and unsaturated flow (Schroeder et al. 1994). The HELP/HELP3 model has been extensively tested and used to evaluate infiltration (Fleenor and King, 1995; Woyshner and Yanful, 1995; Benson and Pliska, 1996; Khire et al., 1997; Chammas et al., 1999; Berger, 2000; Gogolev, 2002; Risser et al., 2005, and Croteau, 2006).

With the objective of combining equation 2 with the parameters used in HELP3, and considering the hydrologic behaviour of the Toluca Valley, the water budget for the Toluca Valley is described by equation 4:

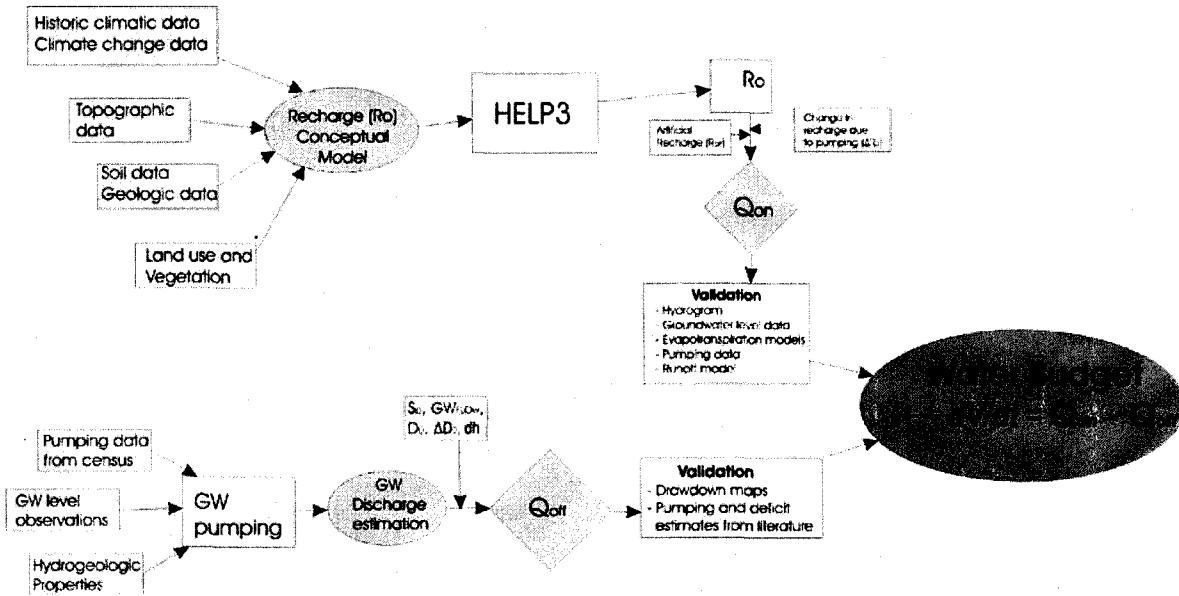
$$\left( R_0 \begin{pmatrix} R_p, R_T, R_{RL}, R_{RAD}, R_{LAT}, R_{GS}, \\ R_{WS}, R_{LAI}, R_{ED}, R_{SCS}, R_b, R_\theta, \\ R_{WP}, R_{FC}, R_{KSAT}, R_{DD}, R_{SL} \end{pmatrix} + R_{ART} + \Delta R_0 \right) - GW_{flow} - Sp - P + -\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} = 0 \quad (4)$$

where the parameters used in HELP3 to compute  $R_0$  are described in table 1.

Since HELP3 considers evaporation, evapotranspiration and runoff, and considering that there is limited interaction between surface water and groundwater in the Toluca Valley (Lesser and Asociados, 1992), discharges from equation 4 are assumed to come from natural groundwater flow ( $GW_{flow}$  [Mm<sup>3</sup>/year]), spring discharge ( $Sp$  [Mm<sup>3</sup>/year]), and pumping ( $P$ ) [Mm<sup>3</sup>/year].  $GW_{flow}$  and  $Sp$  both decrease with increasing groundwater pumping and consider  $\Delta D_0$ . Artificial recharge ( $R_{ART}$ ) [Mm<sup>3</sup>/year] is added to equation 4 to account for induced recharge from infiltration wells. Artificial recharge in the Toluca Valley comes in the form of precipitation captured from roofs and infiltrated into the aquifer.

Schroeder et al. (1994) gives a more detailed description on how recharge ( $R_0$ ) is computed in terms of the various parameters of the HELP3 model. To date, the water budget model presented is the only one available in the literature that uses the Bredehoeft (2002) approach, which takes into account the change to the virgin recharge and discharge rates due to pumping, combined with spatially-variable recharge and climate change computed with HELP3.

The Logical Model (figure 3) describes how the various data are used and processed to obtain the groundwater budget. A description on how  $Q_{on}$  (total recharge) [Mm<sup>3</sup>/year] and  $Q_{off}$  (total discharge) [Mm<sup>3</sup>/year] are obtained is given in sections 3.1 and 3.2 respectively.



*Figure 3: Logical Model for determining the groundwater budget at a given time where  $Q_{on}$  and  $Q_{off}$  are respectively total recharge and total discharge (including pumping) from the basin and  $\partial V/\partial t$  is the change in storage.*

The overall approach of this study is to use all available data to simulate the groundwater budget of the Toluca Valley. HELP3 simulations enable a spatially variable representation of historical and predicted (with average, best, and worst case scenarios) recharge using daily data input values to obtain yearly recharge estimates. Historical and predicted yearly discharge from the aquifer (with average, best, and worst case scenarios) are calculated as a function of extraction from pumping wells, the groundwater flow off the basin, the change to the virgin discharge rate, and spring discharge. Total discharge and recharge are summed with the objective of quantifying historical and projected groundwater deficit.

### 3.1 Total Recharge ( $Q_{on}$ )

The total recharge ( $Q_{on}$ ) is a function of the virgin recharge rate  $R_0$ , artificial recharge ( $R_{ART}$ ), and the change in recharge due to pumping  $\Delta R_0$ . To summarize the process for obtaining the recharge, from figure 3, recharge ( $R_0$ ) is estimated by using climatic, topographic, soil, geologic, land use, and vegetation data obtained from various sources (table 1). The conceptual model is formed and the data is discretized into  $1 \text{ km}^2$  cells. The

recharge data is then processed with the HELP3 model to obtain values for recharge. The sum of recharge for all cells gives the total recharge. Artificial recharge ( $R_{art}$ ) and change in recharge ( $\Delta R_0$ ) values are added to  $R_0$  to obtain the total recharge ( $Q_{on}$ ). Below the methodology in obtaining  $R_0$  is described.

**Table 1 Description of HELP3 parameters and source of data.**

Parameter	Name	Units	Source of data
R <sub>P</sub>	Precipitation	[m <sup>3</sup> /d]	Weather stations (15062, 15229, 15293, 15056) (CNA, 2006). Climate change data based on CNA (2006) and IPCC(2007).
R <sub>T</sub>	Temperature	[°C]	Weather stations (15062, 15229, 15293, 15056) (CNA, 2006). Climate change data based on CNA (2006) and IPCC(2007).
R <sub>rad</sub>	Solar Radiation	[MJ/m <sup>2</sup> ]	Stochastically simulated as a function of temperature, precipitation, and latitude (Schroeder et al., 1994)
R <sub>RL</sub>	Quarterly relative humidity	%	From Schroeder et al., 1994.
R <sub>Lat</sub>	Latitude	[° lat]	Longitude and latitude map
R <sub>GS</sub>	Growing season	[days]	Weather stations (15062, 15229, 15293, 15056) (CNA, 2006)
R <sub>LAI</sub>	Leaf area index	[‐]	Vegetation cover map (SICHEM 1999) and empirically derived table (Scurlock et al. 2001)
R <sub>ED</sub>	Evaporative depth	[m]	Vegetation cover map (SICHEM 1999)
R <sub>SCS</sub>	Soil Conservation Service curve number	[‐]	Pedology map (SICHEM 1999) and Land use map (IMTA 2003) and empirical tables from Purdue (2008)
R <sub>b</sub>	Layer thickness	[m]	Pedology, geology maps (SICHEM 1999) and borehole data
R <sub>θ</sub>	Porosity	[‐]	Pedology and geology maps (SICHEM 1999) and descriptions based on Machorro (1978), INEGI (2001)
R <sub>WP</sub>	Wilting point	[‐]	Pedology, geology and vegetation cover maps (SICHEM 1999) and descriptive tables (Schroeder et al., 1994)
R <sub>FC</sub>	Field capacity	[‐]	Pedology, geology and vegetation cover maps (SICHEM 1999) and descriptive tables (Schroeder et al., 1994)
R <sub>Ksat</sub>	Saturated hydraulic conductivity	[m/s]	Pedology and geology maps (SICHEM 1999) and descriptions based on Machorro (1978), INEGI (2001)
R <sub>DD</sub>	Distance from drain	[m]	Based on Croteau (2006)
R <sub>SL</sub>	Slope	[‐]	DEM (NASA, 2008)

### **Recharge Domain for HELP3**

The spatial extent in the X-Y plane is based on the basin limits. The Toluca Valley basin was discretized into a square grid with nodes placed 1000 m apart. There are a total of 2117 nodes each representing 1 km<sup>2</sup>. The resolution of the available data did not warrant a much larger number of nodes. Infiltration over several years was calculated for each node and the sum of all infiltration values is considered to be the recharge to the aquifers in the basin ( $R_0$ ). Further in this section artificial recharge ( $R_{ART}$ ) and the effects of pumping on recharge ( $\Delta R_0$ ) are considered.

When determining parameters at each node, values were, in most cases, obtained from available GIS maps. The maps include pedology, geology (see appendix G), land use, vegetative cover, and a digital elevation model. For the mapped parameters, values were extracted from the maps at each of the 2117 nodes using routines available in ArcGIS 9.2 and the desired parameter was either used directly or empirically derived. For example, the extracted slope value was obtained directly from the DEM and the vegetative cover map was used to determine the Leaf Area Index (*LAI*) based on empirical tables describing *LAI* as a function of vegetation type.

HELP3 uses 3 types of layers. A ‘type 1’ layer is characterized by vertical flow and it is where all the evapotranspiration occurs. A ‘type 2’ layer is a lateral drainage layer and a ‘type 3’ layer is a low permeability layer acting as a barrier. A ‘type 2’ layer is always found immediately above a ‘type 3’ layer and its hydraulic conductivity is generally higher than a type 3 layer.

A topographic map, a soil map, a geologic map, and borehole data were used to construct the recharge domain. The 3D geological setting is highly variable in the Toluca Valley. For simplification purposes, the HELP3 recharge domain is divided evenly into 3 layers, throughout the basin, having each a thickness of 1.5 m (figure 2), for a total thickness of 4.5 metres starting at the land surface. This assumption is made because of the complexity of the geology and because 3 layers totalling 4.5 metres is sufficient for

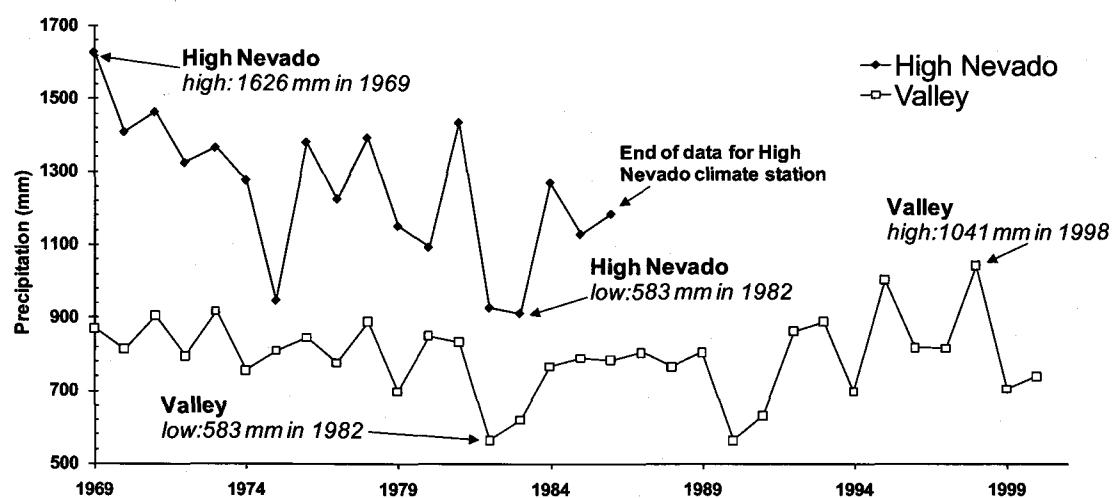
representing the influx if the permeability's are sufficiently well defined.  $K_{sat}$  is the dominant parameter controlling infiltration and over long periods, larger layer thicknesses will not affect total infiltration. Layer 3's  $K_{sat}$  was assigned as a function of the lowest  $K_{sat}$  in the unsaturated zone below each node, which varies between  $10^{-6}$  to  $10^{-8}$  m/s. In the valley, the impermeable layer is often in the form of a clay barrier, and in the higher altitudes the low permeability layers are in the form of consolidated rocks (SICHEM, 1999). Another assumption is that even though the water level decreases, all percolation below 4.5 metres is recharge. The first layer of the model is assigned a type 1 and the properties are based on soil maps and their descriptions (Machorro 1978; INEGI, 2001; SICHEM, 1999). Layer 2 is assigned a 'type 2' and Layer 3 is assigned a 'type 3'. For all nodes in Layer 2, it is assumed that the physical properties were identical to Layer 3, which is based on the geologic map, excluding hydraulic conductivity which was set to 1-2 orders of magnitude higher than Layer 3's.

### ***Historical Climate data approach used with HELP3***

The spatially-variable version of HELP3 normally uses only one climate station. However, due to the large variability in climatic conditions of the Toluca Valley, four climatic regions for the model are considered. The four regions are primarily dependant on altitude and are as follows: High Nevado, Middle Nevado & High Sierra, Lower Nevado & Lower Sierra, and Valley (table 2). The climate conditions described in table 2 are based on available data from weather stations. Occasionally daily data was not available from the data set and missing values were interpolated. The total annual rainfall varies from averages of 1,250 mm in the highest areas to 700 mm in the valley (figure 4). A large portion (85%) of the rainfall occurs between May and October. In the valley, the average annual temperature ranges from 11 to 16 °C, with May being the warmest month and January the coldest. The Nevado de Toluca's annual mean temperature ranges from -2 to 5 °C. Figure 4 shows the variability in annual precipitation at two weather stations. For all parameters, daily values are input into the model and yearly output are used for the analysis. Meteorological data is extrapolated over missing periods.

**Table 2: Climate data for 4 climatic regions of the Toluca Valley based on CNA (2006)**

Location and data span	Weather station #	Altitude (masl)	Reading	Precipitation (mm)	Year	Growing season	Wind Speed (km/h)
Higher Nevado 1969-1986	15062	3800 - 4690	max	1626	1969	May 1 - June 10	16.2
			min	909	1983		
			average	1249	-		
Mid Nevado & High Sierra 1978-1986	15229	3100 - 3799	max	1489	1984	Feb 7 – Dec 21 <sup>st</sup>	14
			min	786	1982		
			average	993	-		
Lower Nevado & Lower Sierra 1994-2001	15293	2700 - 3099	max	1234	1995	Year round	12
			min	685	1994		
			average	1010	-		
Valley 1978-1991	15056	2500 - 2699	max	888	1978	Year round	11
			min	563	1990		
			average	793	-		



**Figure 4: Yearly precipitations at the Valley and High Nevada weather stations 1969 -2000 (after CNA, 2006).**

### Climate change

Estimating the change in climate variables in the future with a reasonable level of confidence is very difficult and involves large uncertainty. If one is to downscale the predicted results from a Global Climate Model (GCM) to the scale of a basin, additional error and uncertainty is added to the analysis. Following the approach used by Jyrkama

and Sykes (2007), the objective of this climate change analysis is not to determine with any degree of confidence what will specifically happen in the future as a result of climate change in the Toluca Basin. Based on historical climate data and generally accepted climate change predictions, recharge patterns are simulated and observed.

The generally accepted climate change predictions are based on the International Panel on Climate Change's (IPCC) 4<sup>th</sup> report. Regional averages of temperature and precipitation projections from a set of 21 GCMs form the multi-model data set (MMD) for the A1B scenario (The A1B scenario provides a good mid-line scenario for carbon dioxide output and economic growth). The mean temperature and precipitation responses are first averaged for each model over all available realisations of the 1980 to 1999 period from the 20th Century Climate in Coupled Models (20C3M) simulations and the 2080 to 2099 period of A1B (IPCC, 2007).

From the 21 models, the IPCC reported the following general predictions in the general area of the Toluca Valley over the next 100 years (IPCC, 2007):

1. Precipitation is projected to decrease with an average change over 100 years of -9% for all models, with models predictions ranging between an increase of +9% and a decrease of -48%.
2. Temperature is projected to increase with an average change over 100 years of 3.2°C for all models, with a minimum increase of 1.8°C and a maximum increase of 5°C.
3. Incoming solar radiation will likely decrease due to increases in greenhouse gases.
4. Mexico, and to a greater degree Northern Mexico, are among the zones worldwide with the highest drying tendencies over land in the 21st century.

Based on the predictions above, the climate change scenarios shown in Table 3 are examined. For these scenarios, simulations are run from 2000 until 2050. Yearly values are used and assumed to increase or decrease linearly from 2000 to 2100, which is the period covered by the climate models. For example, in the case of average precipitation

for scenario 2, the total decrease in 2050 would be half of -9%, or -4.5%. Greenhouse gases are expected to increase and reduce solar radiation, however, upon running several simulations and varying solar radiation by large proportions, very negligible differences were noticed in the output, thus varying solar radiation is not considered in the scenarios.

**Table 3: Climate change scenarios. Scenario 1 is the base case and scenarios 2-4 are run from 2000 to 2050.**

Scenario	Description
1	Base case : Average of available historical daily temperature, precipitation, and simulated solar radiation from 1969 to 2000
2	Model average : Precipitation decreases by -9 %, Temperature increases by 3.2°C
3	Worst case : Precipitation decreases by -48%, Temperature increases by 5.0°C
4	Best case : Precipitation increases by +9%, Temperature increases by 1.8°C

### ***Calibration of the HELP3 Model***

River discharges could not be used to calibrate the HELP3 recharge model because the Toluca valley is a wide basin in a temperate climate with dry winters, where evapotranspiration is the dominant parameter and because there is very little interaction between the river and the aquifer. The Toluca valley is on the border between a semi-arid climate and a temperate climate (Mcnight & Hess, 2000). HELP3 can have difficulty in estimating water balances in arid climates where upward fluxes can be high (Jyrkama and Sykes, 2007). Using HELP3 for this type of climate and basin did not yield good results for the evapotranspiration and runoff calculations; however the recharge values are in line with other recharge estimates. Runoff values were high and evapotranspiration values were low; thus it was found that most of the HELP3 calculated runoff probably evaporated into the atmosphere. To better understand the recharge, evapotranspiration and runoff was examined more closely. Evapotranspiration was calculated at 39 weather stations in the valley with the Thornthwaite, Hargreaves, Hannon, and Turc methods. The results from these calculations were used to better calibrate the HELP3 model. It was found that by considering the runoff as evapotranspiration, the results were acceptable. In this temperate climate with dry winters, it was found that it is important to not rely solely on the HELP3 model for determining recharge. The advantage of the HELP3 model over

the other models is that it considers soil properties, vegetation, and land use and the spatially-variable version of HELP3 is very useful in determining the spatial distribution of the recharge. Additionally, general climate change data is easily integrated into the model.

### **$R_{ART}$ and $\Delta R_0$**

From *equation 4*, the artificial recharge ( $R_{ART}$ ) is not accounted for in HELP3. Current estimates of artificial recharge were obtained from CNA (2002) and are shown in table 5. In addition to new bylaws requiring industrial buildings to capture and inject water from precipitation into the upper aquifers. Carillo-Rivera (2008), J. J. and Gaskin (2008) mention that artificial recharge from treated water sewage is another potential source for recharge in Mexico City. It is expected that Toluca can capitalize on this technology in the coming years; thus in the projections, artificial recharge is expected to increase.

Due to the difficulty in obtaining data representative of the change to the virgin recharge rate due to pumping ( $\Delta R_0$ ), some assumptions are made. Adjacent basin aquifers, such as the Mexico City aquifers are also depleting due to growing populations and excessive groundwater pumping (Ortega and Farvolden, 1989; Rivera et al., 1991; Carrera-Hernandez and Gaskin, 2008). If the adjacent aquifers are depleting at a similar rate to the Toluca basin, then there is a smaller influence from  $\Delta R_0$ . Additionally, precipitation is considered the dominant recharge variable, thus  $\Delta R_0$  is considered negligible and assigned a value of 0; however the value is most likely higher.

### **3.2 Discharge ( $Q_{off}$ ):**

From figure 3, the groundwater discharge conceptual model is obtained by using all the groundwater pumping data from census information (IMTA, 2003, CNA, 2003), quarterly groundwater level observations from CNA (2008), and hydrogeologic properties (Ariel and Consultores, 1996; GTZ-CNA, 2004) from 1970 to 2008. The discharge value ( $Q_{off}$ ) is verified by measuring the change in storage data obtained from differences in piezometric surfaces based on CNA (2008), and yearly deficit estimates

(CNA, 2007). Given the recharge values, the difference in piezometric surfaces gives us the clearest estimate of the change in groundwater storage and therefore the discharge.

Excessive groundwater pumping in the Toluca Valley has lowered the water table to a point where the river system has little contact with the groundwater system (Lesser and Asociados, 1992). HELP3 measures the net infiltration to the aquifer and, since there is very little interaction between the aquifer and the river, and semi arid climate leads to high evapotranspiration rates, it can be assumed that river and stream discharges are accounted for in the HELP3 model. HELP3 does not consider spring discharges ( $Sp$ ), it includes  $Sp$  as recharge entering the aquifer, however, this water later comes to the surface and discharges; therefore this parameter will be accounted for in the discharge model. HELP3 does not consider pumping therefore historical and predicted discharge from the aquifer is measured as a function of extraction from pumping wells ( $P$ ), the groundwater flow off the basin ( $GW_{flow}$ ), and spring discharge ( $Sp$ ).

#### ***Groundwater extraction from pumping wells (P):***

Industrial (7%) and agricultural (3%) uses account for a relatively small percentage of the total volume compared to the domestic (52%) use and volume exported to Mexico City (38% or  $6.0 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ ) (figure 5)).

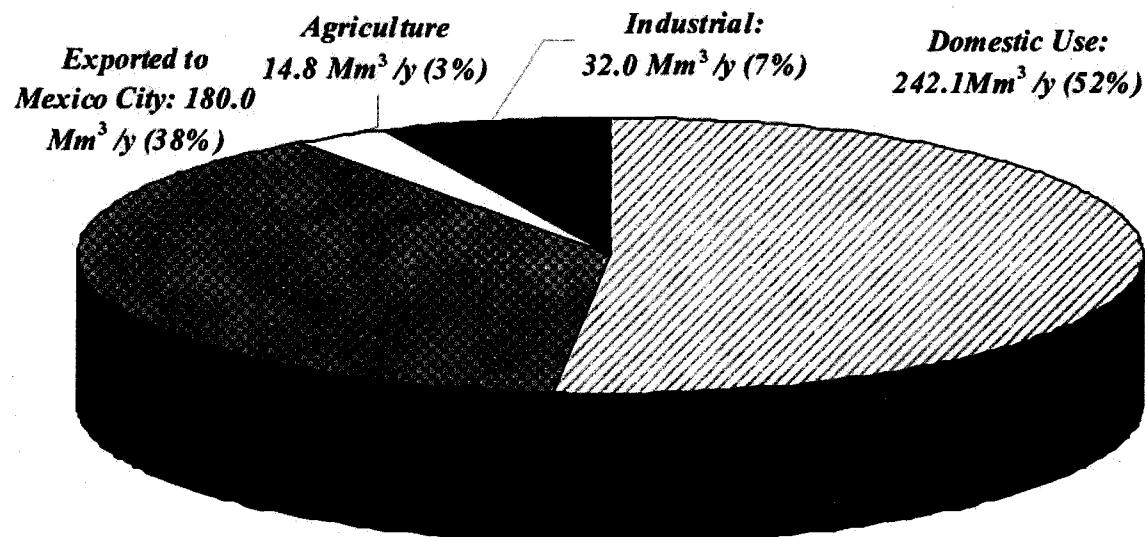


Figure 5: Groundwater use in the Toluca Valley based on IMTA (2003)

In making projections for future consumption, several assumptions are made. Projections on domestic use of groundwater are based on the population growth (INEGI 1960-2005) and UN projections of population growth for Mexico (UNEP, 2008). Given the total pumping volumes in 2010, the projected volumes are assigned values proportional to their population. Over a 40 year period (2010-2050) projected annual growth rates gradually decrease by 1.36 (1.34 to -0.2) for the average case (UNEP, 2008), 0.34 (1.34 to 1.0) for the worst case, and 1.64 (1.34 to -0.5) for the best case.

Projected industrial use of water is based on Mexico's projected Gross Domestic Product (GDP) (Hawksworth, 2006) – assuming a constant percentage of industrial pumping (Figure 5). Worst case and best case scenarios respectively add and subtract 8% of expected industrial use water volumes.

Exports to Mexico City have not significantly increased in the last 10 years (Legoretta, 1997; CNA, 2007), therefore a constant export volume is assumed for all projections. It is believed that legal action between the State of Mexico and Mexico City (Metropoli, 2008) will deter additional inter-basin transfer because the state of Mexico will be more protective of its water resources. This reinforces the assumption that the exported volume will not increase, or perhaps even decrease.

Between 1989 and 1999, agriculture using irrigation fluctuated around 153 000 ha with no significant increase or decrease (INEGI 2001); therefore it is assumed that agricultural use of water remains constant for all scenarios.

### ***Groundwater flow ( $GW_{flow}$ )***

Based on topography, the only region with natural groundwater discharge ( $GW_{flow}$ ) is at the north-west corner of the basin, at the location where the Lerma river exits the Toluca basin and enters the Ixtlahuaca basin. Darcy's law (equation 5) is applied to determine differences in the groundwater flux ( $q$ ) [L/T] discharged from the basin

$$q = -K \frac{\partial h}{\partial x}, \quad (5)$$

where K is the hydraulic conductivity and  $\frac{\partial h}{\partial x}$  represents the hydraulic gradient. The flux is then multiplied by the discharge area (A) to obtain the discharge flux (Q) [Mm<sup>3</sup>/year] (equation 6)

$$Q = q \cdot A \quad (6)$$

Monitoring well data is used to obtain hydraulic gradients ( $dh/dx$ ) from equipotential lines (see figure 7 of results).

### 3.3 Change-of-storage ( $-\frac{\partial V}{\partial t}$ )

The groundwater deficit in the Toluca Valley has been evaluated by OEE (1970); Lesser and Asociados (1992); Ariel and Consultores (1996); CNA (2002) and GTZ-CNA (2004). To evaluate recharge, the above studies did not take into account climate change, soil, vegetation, and land use properties and in several cases results were averaged over large territories. The OEE (1970) study averaged the recharge over the entire basin; According to the IMTA (2003) study, Lesser and Asociados (1992) and Ariel and Consultores (1996) underestimated the amount of pumping wells in the valley. Only the latest budget study, GTZ-CNA (2004), considered the more complete water use census, IMTA (2003).

In the Toluca Valley  $Q_{off}$  is greater than  $Q_{on}$  therefore the difference between  $Q_{on}$  and  $Q_{off}$  is the rate of removal of water from storage ( $-\partial V/\partial t$ ) or “deficit” [Mm<sup>3</sup>/year] (equation 7). This deficit leads to other issues on water availability that will be addressed in the discussion.

$$Q_{on} - Q_{off} = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} \quad (7)$$

Two approaches for obtaining the deficit are implemented. The first relies upon subtracting the calculated discharge from the recharge (equation 7) using sections 3.1 and 3.2. The second approach involves calculating the volume of water that has been

removed from storage through means of subtracting one drawdown map from another. The second method is described below.

For the Toluca Valley case, observed hydraulic head data, surveyed by the Gerencia de Agua Subterránea, Comisión Nacional del Agua (CNA, 2008) is used to create piezometric surface maps. For recent deficit estimates, the data from February 2006 and 2008 are used to create the maps. Spatial variability is taken into consideration by using 1209 nodes spaced in rows 1 km apart in the center of the valley. ArcGIS 9.2 is used to a) interpolate well data from both dates using the spline method b) obtain drawdown then interpolate the drawdown values and c) extract drawdown values at each of the 1209 nodes (see Figure 9 in results section for locations). Due to a lack of hydraulic head data in the mountainous regions, only nodes in the center of the valley are included in the calculation of the deficit between 2006 and 2008. It is also assumed that the drawdown in the mountainous regions does not represent a large volume. The drawdown map is converted into a yearly quantity of water removed from the basin. Based on field data it is assumed that the average porosity is 0.30 (Ariel Consultores, 1996).

## 4 RESULTS

### 4.1 Recharge simulations

A problem in calibrating the HELP3 model was that some parameters were very sensitive to minor fluctuations in values. Although many of the parameters were adjusted, the hydraulic conductivity ( $R_{Ksat}$ ) was most used to calibrate the model.  $R_{Ksat}$  was especially sensitive and slight changes would affect the overall  $R_0$  result. As mentioned in section 3.1, another problem encountered with the HELP3 model is that since the Toluca Valley is a wide basin with a small drainage channel (Lerma river), the evapotranspiration values calculated by HELP3 were low and the runoff values were high. To compensate for the high values, it was assumed that the excess runoff calculated by HELP3 actually evaporated. This approach led to reasonable results, possibly because HELP3 is more accurate in temperate climates.

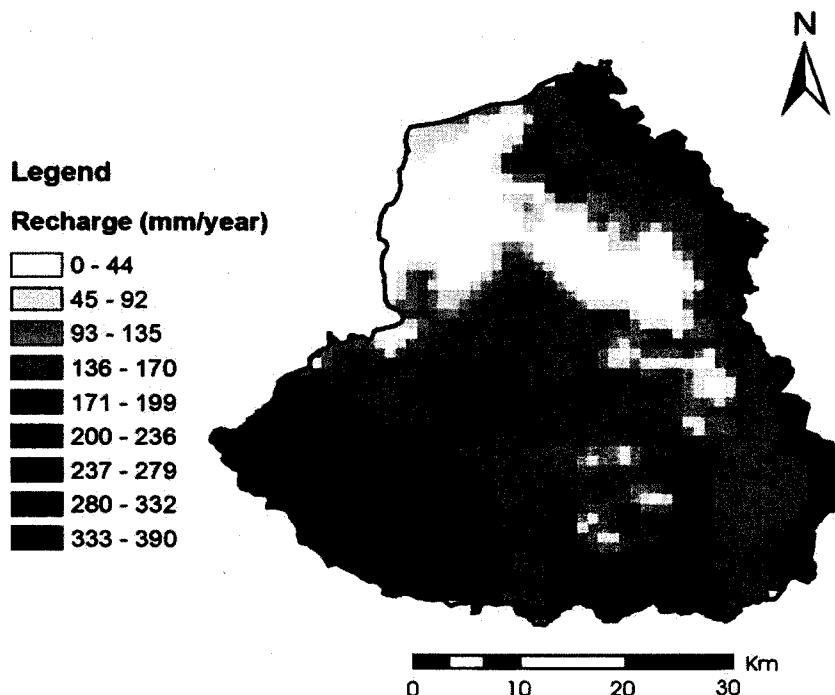


Figure 6: Spatially variable distribution of average recharge ( $R_0$ ) in the Toluca Valley [mm/year] based on the HELP3 model.

Figure 6 shows the distribution of the average simulation (climate data from 1969-2000) where the total recharge (sum of recharge for all 2117 nodes) is 376.2 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year. For the historic data, two more scenarios were examined: a year with high values of precipitation and a year with low values of precipitation. The choice of the precipitation value was based on observing the entire data set and selecting the respective years according to the amount of precipitation (figure 5). Since there were four different climatic regions with varying data ranges, the wettest, driest and average precipitation years were selected for each of the four climate regions. Based on maximum and minimum precipitation, average high and low values were 466 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year and 298 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year, respectively. Other average recharge estimates from the literature vary between 256 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year (Ariel and Consultores, 1996), using groundwater levels to infer recharge, and 430 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year (CNA-GTZ 2004), using the method of a uniform coefficient of vertical infiltration. Pumping can interfere in the interpretation of recharge when using water levels and compared to the HELP3 method, and uniform infiltration coefficients are a simplistic approach to a complex problem.

Comparing climate change results (table 5), it is seen that with the average climate change scenario, the average recharge in 2050 decreases 15.2 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year or -4% from an average scenario without climate change. In the worst case scenario, the average recharge decreases by 88.2 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year or -23.4% and in the best case scenario the recharge increases by 8.8 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year or +2.3%.

As would be expected from Figure 6, recharge is highest in the mountains. The low permeability soils in the north central part of the basin is the main reason for the low infiltration rates. Higher recharges in the south are mostly attributed to the soil and geologic context. Where the City is located, in the centre of the basin, higher recharge rates are the result of very little vegetation - shorter evaporative depth, the SCS curve number, and wilting point.

The 240-340 mm of recharge in the sierra Las Cruces is on the lower end of estimates by Ortega and Farvolden (1989), who estimate that recharge in these areas is in the 30-50% range of total precipitation.

It should finally be noted that the approximately 6m<sup>3</sup>/s pumping rate exported to Mexico City using the Lerma System represents 61% of the recharge from the Las Cruces mountain chain.

## 4.2 Discharge results

Results for the discharge parameters ( $GW_{flow}$ ,  $\Delta D_0$ ,  $\Delta D_{yi}$ ,  $S_p$ ,  $P$ ) are presented below.

***Natural groundwater flow ( $GW_{flow}$ ), Change in Virgin Discharge Rate due to Pumping ( $\Delta D_0$ ), and yearly Change in Virgin Discharge Rate due to Pumping ( $\Delta D_{yi}$ ):***

The piezometric surfaces of 1970 and 2004 are compared. The saturated hydraulic conductivity was obtained using a borehole log (PL-226) and pumping tests in the valley. Based on the boreholes, an impermeable layer is found below an elevation of 2413 m.

The hydraulic gradient is used to determine the lateral extent of the discharge area ( $A$ ), and the vertical extent of the area ( $A$ ) is obtained from the average saturated thickness exiting the basin in 1970: 146 m, and 2004: 122 m. Hydraulic conductivity is estimated at  $5.0 \times 10^{-7}$  for a sand/clay and gravel/clay aquifer.

The results from this section can be used to obtain values for the yearly change to the discharge rate due to pumping ( $\Delta D_{yi}$ ) for 1970 and 2004 and estimate the decrease in  $GW_{flow}$  over time.

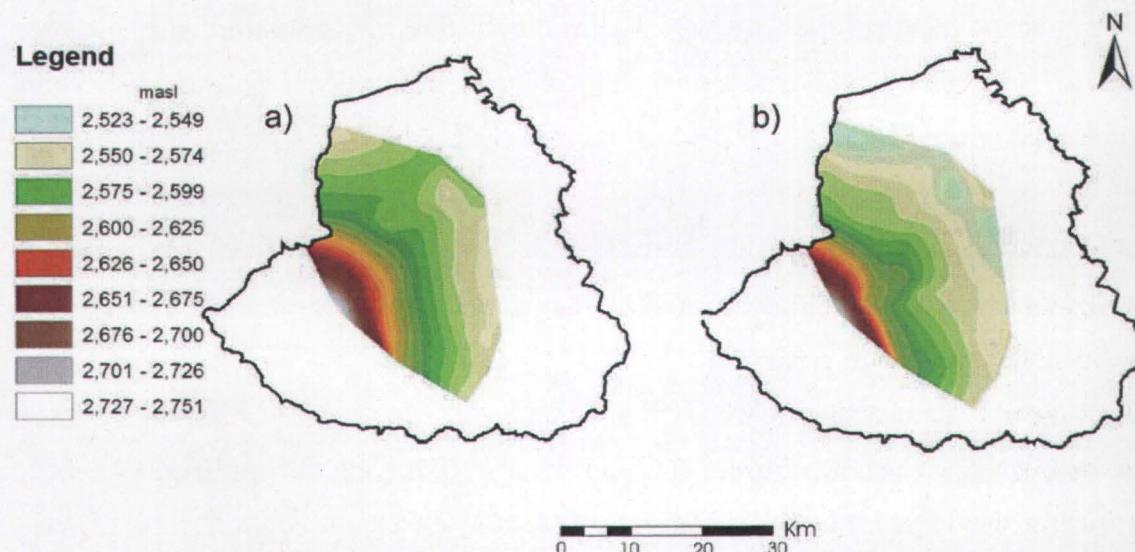


Figure 7: Piezometric surface of the Toluca Valley used to quantify discharge from the basin; a) February 1970 and b) February 2004.

**Table 4: Natural groundwater flow ( $GW_{flow}$ ) exiting the basin: estimates for February 1970 and 2004**

Parameter	Units	1970	2004
$dh/dx_i$	-	-2,54E-03	-1,49E-03
K	Mm/year*	1,58E-05	1,58E-05
q	Mm/year*	4,01E-08	2,36E-08
A	Mm <sup>2</sup> **	1,17E+00	1,02E+00
<b>Q</b>	<b>Mm<sup>3</sup>/year</b>	<b>-4,67E-02</b>	<b>-2,41E-02</b>

\*Mm/year represents millions of meters per year

\*\*Mm<sup>2</sup> represents millions of square metres

From the piezometric head data and using equation 3, it is possible to calculate the average yearly change in discharge rate due to pumping between two years:

$$\Delta D_{y\_ave} = \frac{\Delta D_{y1} - \Delta D_{y2}}{y2 - y1} \quad (8)$$

Although pumping has increased in a non-linear fashion,  $\Delta D_{y\_ave}$  is useful at estimating  $\Delta D$  (equations 2-4). The calculated discharge in 2004 is approximately half of that in 1970 (table 4):  $\Delta D_{y2004} - \Delta D_{y1970} = 0.023 \text{ Mm}^3/\text{year}$ . Therefore, over 34 years,  $\Delta D_{y\_ave} = 673 \text{ m}^3/\text{year}$ . Assuming that a close-to virgin discharge rate last occurred in the mid 1950's, it is estimated that  $\Delta D_0$  is well under  $0.04 \text{ Mm}^3/\text{year}$ . Although an exact virgin discharge rate is not provided above, the general tendency for  $\Delta D_0$  is observed.  $GW_{flow}$ ,  $\Delta D_{y\_ave}$ , and  $\Delta D_0$ , are several orders of magnitude smaller than the other discharge parameters thus they are considered negligible. From figure 7, in 1970 the general groundwater flow was from the Nevado and the Sierra towards the center of the valley, with groundwater exiting at the North-West corner of the basin. Increased pumping of deep wells throughout the basin has altered groundwater flow directions, forming a depression cone in the metropolitan area of the valley and a net decrease in groundwater flow ( $GW_{flow}$ ) exiting the basin is observed between 1970 to 2004. The decreasing  $GW_{flow}$  pattern is expected to continue into the future until  $GW_{flow}$  tends to 0 or negative values. Negative values would imply flow from adjacent basins is entering the Toluca Basin.

### ***Spring discharge (Sp)***

The DGCOH (1992) and others suggest that spring discharges (*Sp*) have been steadily decreasing with time. CNA (2005) estimates that spring discharges account for a total of  $54 \text{ Mm}^3/\text{year}$ . To compensate for the decreasing piezometric surface it is assumed that the value was as high as  $65 \text{ Mm}^3/\text{year}$  in 1970 and will decrease to  $45 \text{ Mm}^3/\text{year}$  in 2050 (table 5). Future studies on discharges and water budget should include field work examining the spring discharges with the objective of better quantifying the decrease in spring discharges.

### **Groundwater pumping ( $P$ ):**

Obtaining a representative estimate of all pumping in the Toluca Valley is challenging. A reliable census requires an accurate depiction of the real pumping occurring in the valley. Based on the most recent data (IMTA, 2003; CNA-GTZ, 2004), in 2002 an estimated 933 wells withdrew a total 462 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year (table 5 and Figure 8). Observed and projected pumping rates are shown in figure 8. In terms of projections, the best case and worst case scenario are shown as low and high respectively.

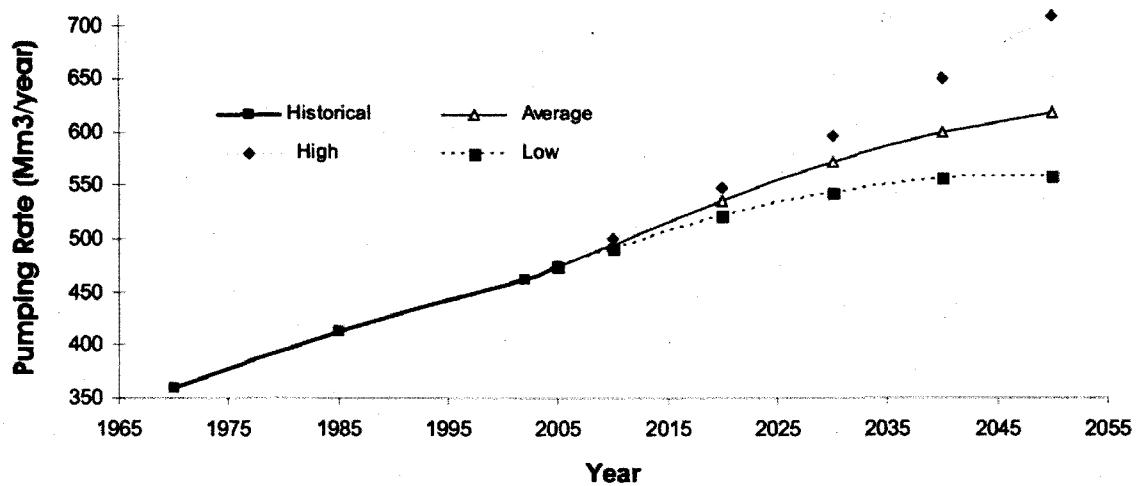


Figure 8: Observed and expected groundwater extraction from pumping wells - 1970 to 2050.

### **4.3 Deficit**

Using the average historical values (1970-2000) obtained for recharge in section 4.1 and the pumping estimates based on the IMTA (2003), the extrapolated total deficit for 2010 is 172 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year (table 5, figure 10). The minimum, average, and maximum pumping projections are shown in table 5 and figure 10.

### Legend

- Extracted drawdown point
- ▲ Monitoring wells

### Drawdown (m)

[Solid Black Box]	-5.5 - -4.7
[Black Box with Dots]	-4.6 - -4.0
[Black Box with Dots]	-3.9 - -3.2
[Black Box with Dots]	-3.1 - -2.4
[Black Box with Dots]	-2.3 - -1.8
[Black Box with Dots]	-1.7 - -1.2
[Black Box with Dots]	-1.1 - -0.8
[Light Gray Box with Dots]	-0.7 - -0.4
[White Box with Dots]	-0.3 - 0.7

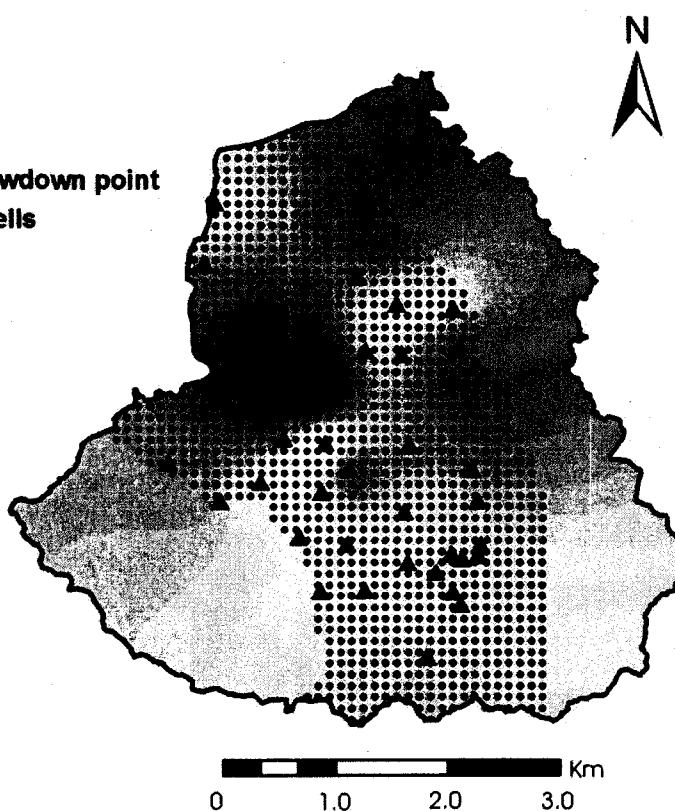


Figure 9: Difference in hydraulic heads between February 2006 and 2008. Measurements were taken in the lower aquifer at 150 m depth. Locations of extracted drawdown points and multilevel monitoring wells are indicated on the map.

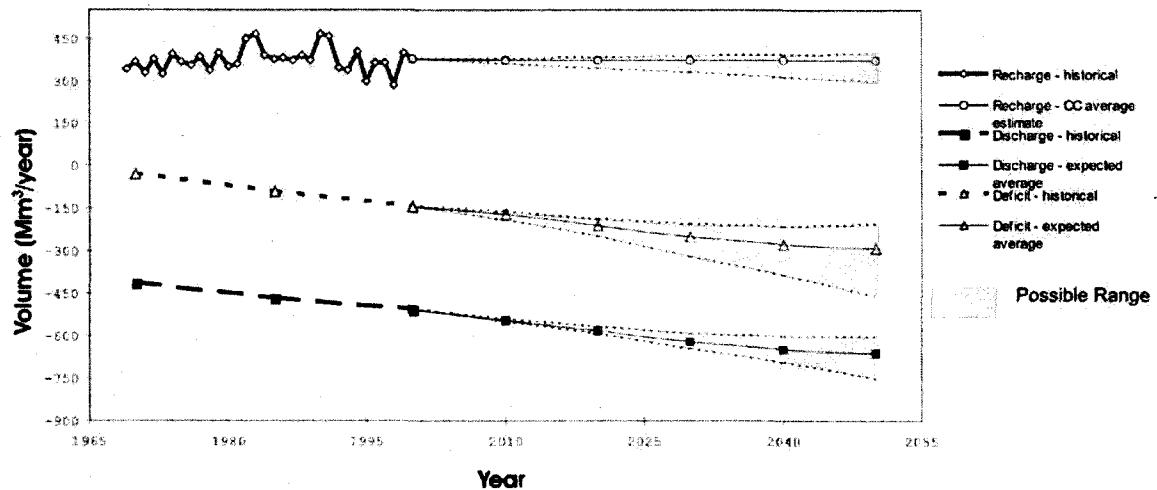
Based on the drawdown map method (Figure 9), the total difference in volume of water between February 2006 and February 2008 is 282 Mm<sup>3</sup>. Therefore the average yearly deficit is 141 Mm<sup>3</sup>. Using the same method from 1970 to 2004 there is a difference of 2664 Mm<sup>3</sup>; this works out to an average loss of 78 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year. Although little information is available on the methods used for calculating the deficit, the Comisión Nacional del Agua's most recent deficit estimate for 2007 is 139 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year. This estimate is low due, possibly, to unregistered pumping wells. Comparing the drawdown map method to the projections based on IMTA (2003), one notices that there is a discrepancy of 26 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year. It can be argued that the value of 141 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year is too low because it does not take into account the entire basin. For that reason, the true deficit could be higher.

Table 5 and figure 10 summarize the values obtained for the recharge, the discharge, and the deficit for the Toluca Valley. Historical data dating back to 1970 is used and

projections start from the year 2000 when the calculated deficit is 145 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year. It is acknowledged that there is error in the historical estimates; however it is assumed this error is minor and therefore uncertainty is limited to the projections. Recharge values, including induced recharge ( $R_{art}$ ), from 1969 to 2000 are actual recharge values; the overall yearly average for that time period is estimated at 376.2 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year. Recharge projections are based on the average value mentioned above and Climate Change (CC) average variations (IPCC, 2007), and not yearly minimum and maximum recharge. The discharge projections account for the best case and worst case scenarios discussed in 3.2. The projected deficit is the sum of the recharge and discharge for each scenario. By background extrapolating the deficit curve, one can notice that the last year without deficit occurred around the year 1962. The average estimate shows a deficit of 165 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year in 2007 and, in a worst case scenario, reaching a yearly deficit of up to 456 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year by 2050.

**Table 5 : Summary of the observed and expected groundwater budget from 1970 to 2050.** ‘-’ implies data is not relevant. In the deficit section, average, worst case, and best case scenarios are summed respectively with the corresponding case and additional parameters ( $R_{arb}$ ,  $GW_{flow}$ ,  $S_p$ ) are included in the calculation. Climate change simulations are based on average recharge and 21 climate models (IPCC, 2007).

		1970	1985	2000	2010	2020	2030	2040	2050	
Recharge [Mm³/year]	Historical Recharge		385,0	373,9	376,2	-	-	-	-	
	HELP3	average	-	-	376,2	373,0	370,0	367,0	364,0	
			-	-	376,2	373,0	370,0	367,0	361,0	
Discharge [Mm³/year]	Climate Change		-	-	1,2	1,5	2,0	5,0	7,5	
	Induced Recharge (R_art)		-	-	1,2	1,5	2,0	5,0	7,5	
	Spring discharges (Sp)		55,0	54,0	53,0	52,0	48,0	50,0	48,0	
	Groundwater flow		0,048	0,048	0,023	0,024	0,022	0,020	0,015	
	Historical Extraction	Average	359,9	413,0	456,0	-	-	-	-	
			-	-	-	494,5	534,8	571,8	599,1	
	Pumping	Expected Extraction (P)	-	-	-	490,7	521,0	541,5	559,1	
			-	-	-	490,7	521,0	541,5	559,1	
	Historical Deficit		29,9	93,2	145,0	-	-	-	-	
	Expected	Average	-	-	-	172,0	210,8	249,9	275,6	
			-	-	-	172,0	210,8	249,9	292,0	



*Figure 10: Observed and expected groundwater recharge, pumping, and deficit from 1970 to 2050. Recharge values include induced recharge ( $R_{ard}$ ). From 1969 to 1999 actual recharge values are shown; the average for that time period is estimated at 376.2 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year. Recharge from 2000 to 2050 is based on the average value mentioned above and Climate Change (CC) average variations (IPCC, 2007). Historical discharge is based on the literature and groundwater levels and future discharge is based on the projections discussed in section 3.2. The deficit is the sum of the recharge and the discharge.*

In both cases of  $\Delta R_0$  and  $\Delta D_0$ , the estimated values do not represent a significant volume compared to the overall recharge and pumping occurring in the basin. The estimates clearly show that the deficit gets worse with time until tapering off due to a decrease in population growth. The consequences of this deficit are already quite apparent in the Toluca Valley: disappearing wetlands, land subsidence due to clay compaction, changes in flow patterns, wells drying up and the need to drill deeper for water.

## 5 DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

Urbanization, intensive industrial practices, and climate change are expected to play an important role on the groundwater budget of many urban centers of central and northern Mexico and the south-western United States in the coming years. Worldwide, several areas are expected to experience drying tendencies over the next century; these areas, where urban centers are found, include south-western Australia, the Western Cape Provinces of South Africa, the southern Andes, the Mediterranean and Mexico (IPCC, 2007). Applying the methodology from this study to these areas where water resources

are threatened, would be of use not only in determining recharge variations, but also the expected deficit. This work has provided valuable insight into the groundwater budget of the Toluca Valley basin. It is important to consider the most complete set of parameters possible when quantifying the present and future groundwater budgets. Applying the spatially variable HELP3 model over the entire watershed with observed climate data and general climate change predictions is useful in observing the distribution and differences in recharge throughout the basin. It was found that, in the case of the temperate-with-dry-winters climate of the Toluca Valley, it is important to not rely solely on the HELP3 model for determining the recharge value and that verifying the results with river discharges or other evapotranspiration and runoff models is necessary. The advantage of the HELP3 model over the other models is the relative distribution of recharge over the entire basin, and it also considers a range of climate parameters, soil properties, vegetation, land use, and general climate change scenarios are easily implemented. Upper and lower estimates based on past precipitation allow us to set limits on annual recharge. Climate change scenarios provide insight into possible future average recharge rates. Concerning discharge, a reliable water-use census and accurate groundwater level data are important in obtaining accurate discharge estimates.

Average estimates show pumping will stabilize around 2050, however following the ICPP (2007) report, the deficit will continue to increase due to climate change (figure 10). The decreasing deficit rate does not imply that the resources will not be exhausted. In this study the term “water availability” is used as a relative term to indicate the presence of a *renewable* water resource; that is, the yearly surface water runoff and groundwater recharge; whereas groundwater stored in the aquifer is considered a *non-renewable* resource. The renewable part of the groundwater system can be considered as a yearly *flux*, while the groundwater stored in the aquifer can be considered a *pool*. If one extracts a *net annual volume* of the fluxes for groundwater (recharges minus discharges), then the system is said to be in hydrodynamic equilibrium and it is considered to be sustainable. However when a *deficit* in the water budget is created and maintained for long time, the water extraction in the system is said to be unsustainable. Depending on the circumstances, the total water availability may also be considered as the sum of the

fluxes and the pools, the renewable and non-renewable resource. But that is a management decision based on several factors and its discussion is beyond the scope of this study.

With respect to changes in recharge and discharge due to pumping, it has been shown that pumping has an effect on natural groundwater flow ( $GW_{flow}$ ) and an average value has been found for the yearly change in discharge  $\Delta D_y$  ( $673 \text{ m}^3/\text{year}$ ) between 1970 and 2004.  $GW_{flow}$ ,  $\Delta D_y$ , and therefore  $\Delta D$ , are several orders of magnitude smaller than the other discharge parameters thus they are considered negligible. As discussed in section 4.1, it is estimated that  $\Delta R_0$  is also negligible. If more infiltration wells are built and new technologies allow, the artificial recharge ( $R_{ART}$ ) could become an important parameter in setting off part of the deficit. A more thorough study of the spring discharges would be useful to properly define the natural discharge from the aquifer. Another source of potential artificial recharge not considered in this study is leaking pipes and sewage systems in the city of Toluca. It is estimated that this form of recharge accounts for  $9.5 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  for Mexico City with a population of 15 million (Birkle et al., 1998). Since Toluca's population is approximately 1/8 the size of Mexico, one could expect a loss in the order of  $1\text{m}^3/\text{s}$ . These values were not included in the budget calculation however they could be considered for future budget estimates.

Although the Toluca Valley's non-renewable water resources are being exploited at worrying rates, still 38% of the groundwater resources are exported out of the basin. Inter-basin water transfer and growing local demand is having detrimental effects on the groundwater supply of the Toluca Valley. Comparing the volume currently exported to Mexico City ( $6 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ , figure 5), it is less than the current average deficit shown in table 5. Thus, if tomorrow the Toluca Valley stopped all water transfers, they would no longer be in a deficit situation. It is of interest that the approximately  $6\text{m}^3/\text{s}$  pumping rate exported to Mexico City using the Lerma System represents 61% of the recharge from the Las Cruces mountain chain.

This detailed assessment of two of the most important components of the water cycle (recharge and discharge) clearly shows that the decreasing water availability in the Toluca basin is due mostly to groundwater pumping (Figure10). To a lesser degree, climate change may play a role in the increasing deficit. The analysis shows that the current groundwater pumping is not sustainable. The current deficit is estimated to be between 140 and 170 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year. Unless there are drastic changes, it is anticipated that this deficit could increase up to, 456 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year by the year 2050. Assuming that the last time the groundwater budget was at equilibrium was the year 1962 (figure 10 by backwards extrapolating), integrating the average deficit curve from 2008 to 1962, the total volume of water removed from storage is circa 3840 Mm<sup>3</sup>. Following the results of this study, this volume can not be considered as a renewable resource. The current deficit occurring in the Toluca Valley can be considered problematic and projections based on expected water consumption and climate change reinforce the need for management of the water resources to be addressed.

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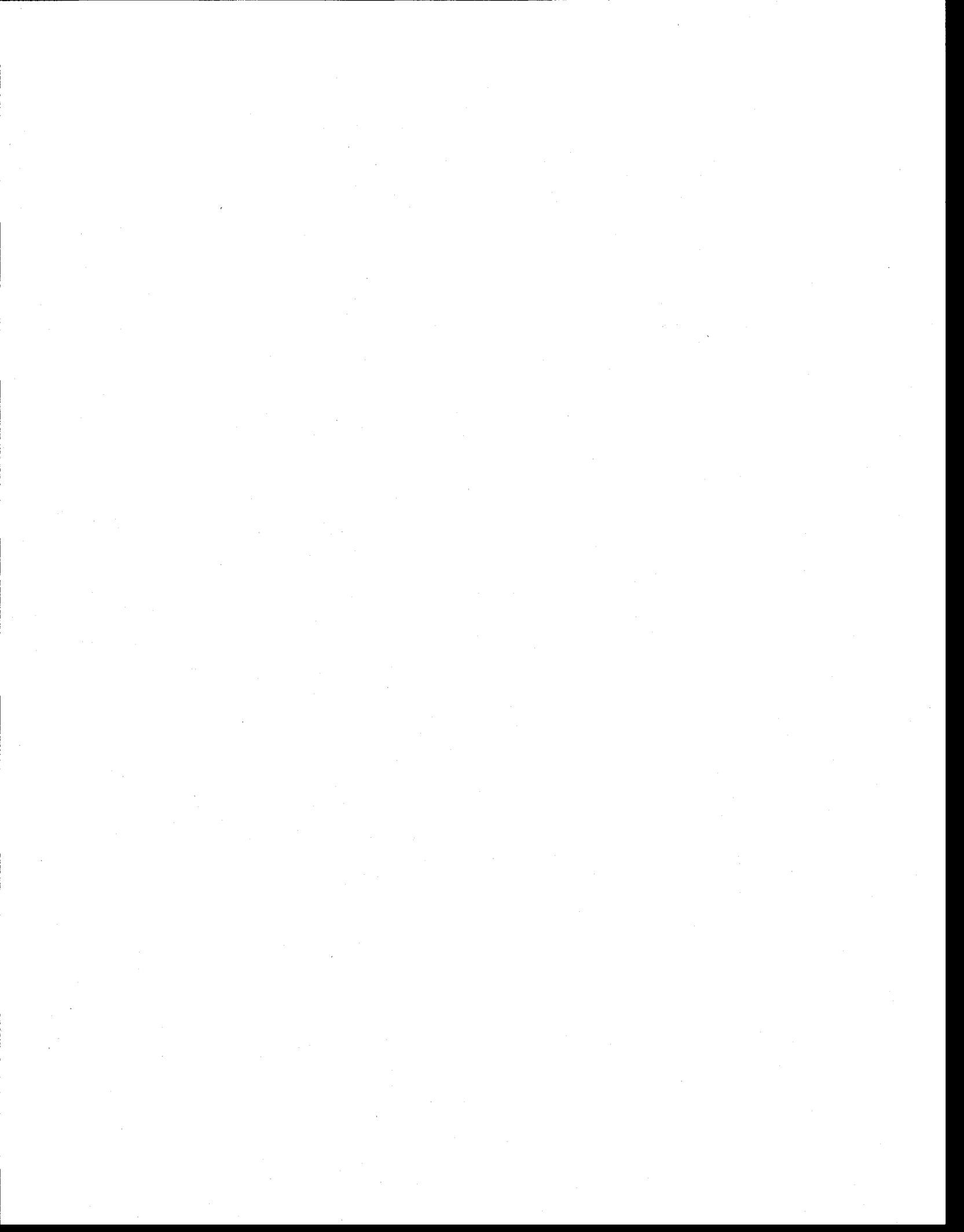
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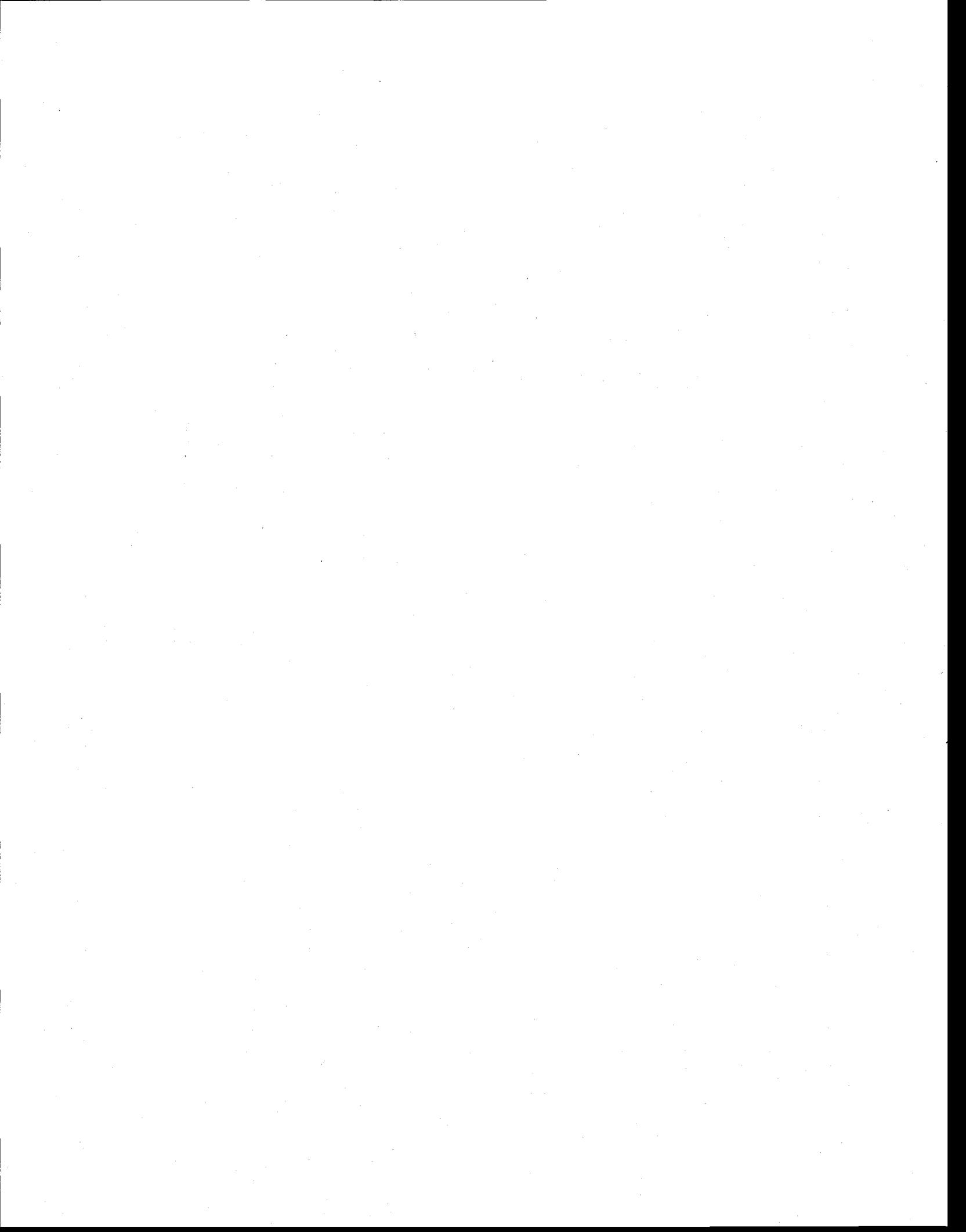
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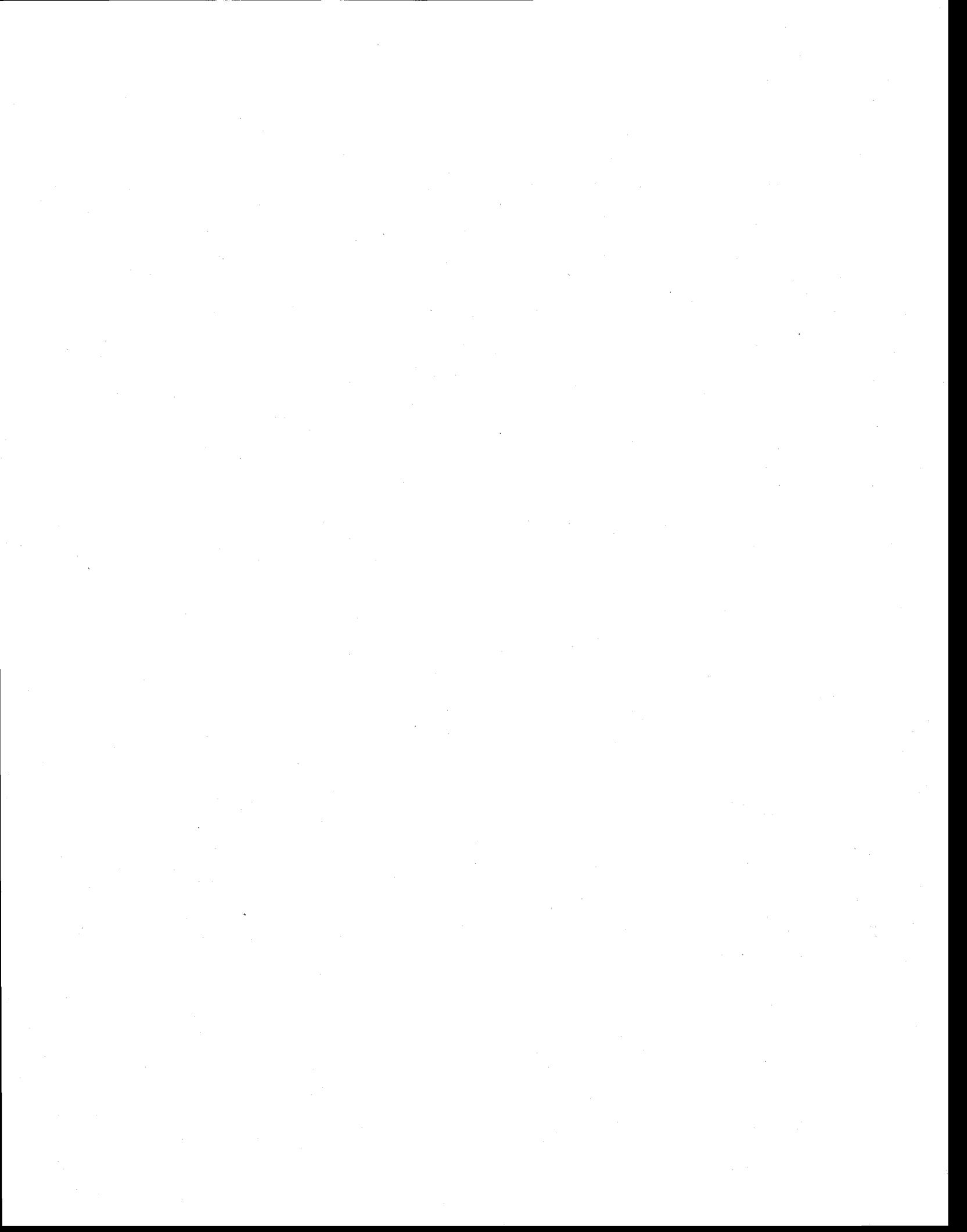
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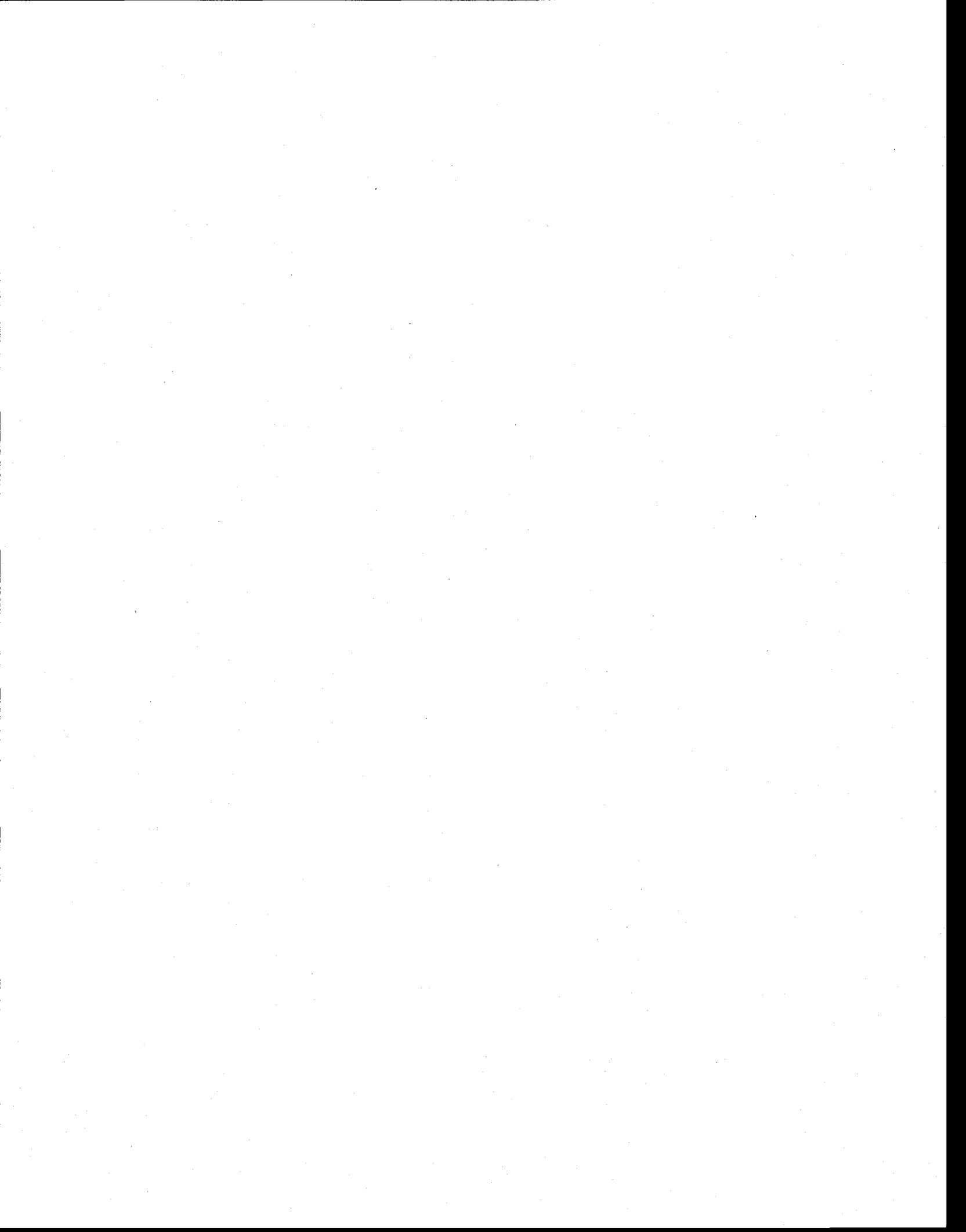


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**Chapitre 3: Land subsidence induced by groundwater pumping, monitored by C-band D-InSAR and field data in the Toluca Valley, Mexico**



## Résumé

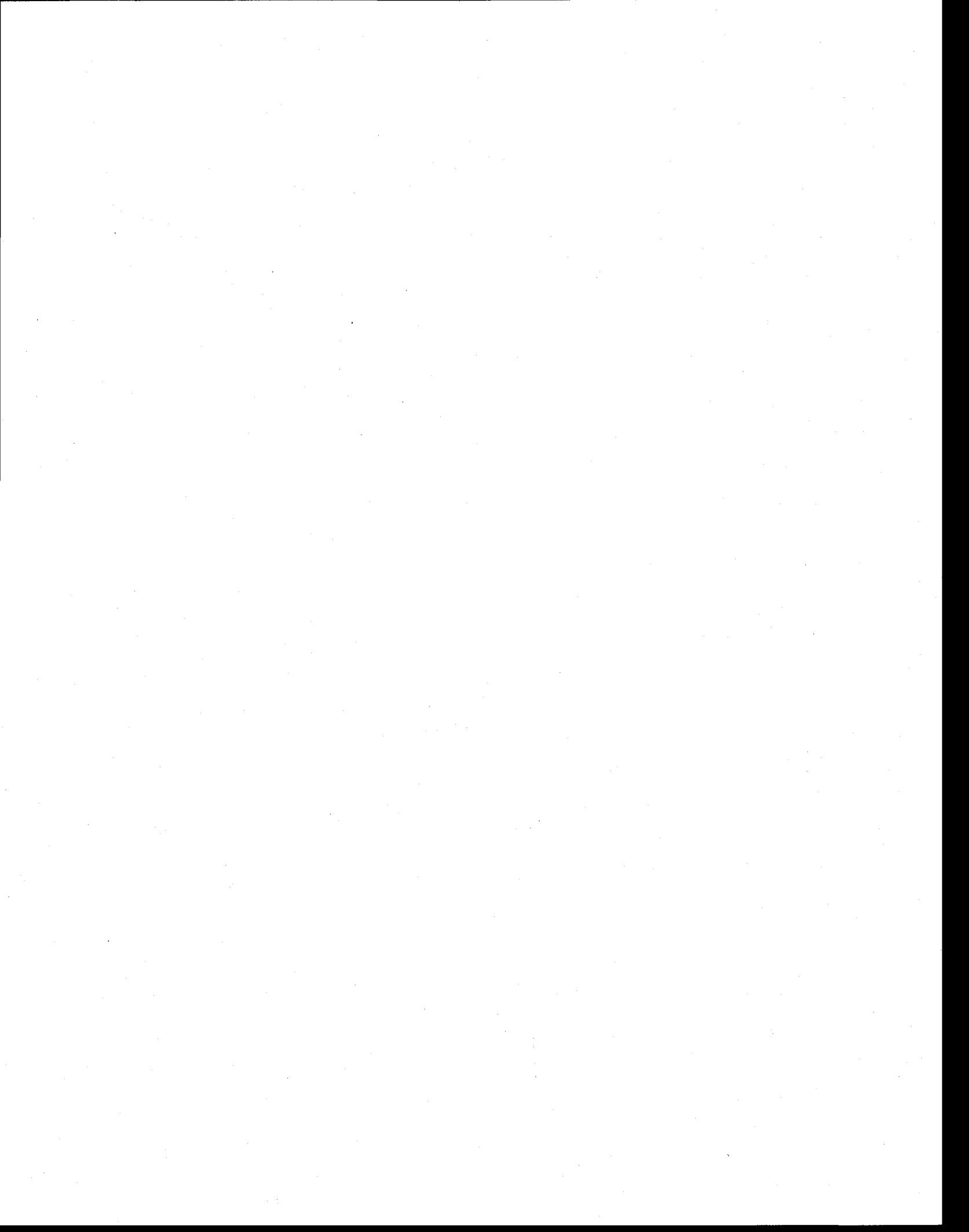
Le pompage excessif de l'eau souterraine dans les aquifères compressible conduit à la subsidence, et peut potentiellement causer des dommages importants aux bâtiments et aux infrastructures. Differential Synthetic Aperture Radar Interferometry (D-InSAR) est une technique utilisée pour détecter la déformation de surface avec une précision de moins d'un centimètre. L'objectif de ce travail est de présenter une approche qui utilise D-InSAR et les données de terrain pour quantifier la subsidence induit par le pompage des eaux souterraines, avec un focus de la vallée de Toluca, au Mexique. De plus, les résultats des différents capteurs D-InSAR sont comparés et contrastées. La région d'intérêt a été portée sur le couloir industriel de la vallée de Toluca, au Mexique. Les images SAR (synthetic aperture radar) étaient disponibles entre décembre 1995 et mai 2008. Un total de 30 images SAR d'ERS-1, ERS-2, ENVISAT ASAR et RADARSAT-1 en bande C ont été acquises et traités. Quarante quatre paires D-InSAR ont été traitées dont 31 interférogrammes et cartes de subsidence sont utilisables. La vérification des résultats a été fait à partir de deux systèmes d'extensomètre. De plus, les niveaux des eaux souterraines ont été utilisés pour indiquer la localisation potentiel de la subsidence. La vallée de Toluca, avec un climat semi-aride-tempéré, une concentration urbaine importante, et une subsidence lente, sont des conditions très appropriés pour l'application de la technique D-InSAR. Pour tous les paires d'images D-InSAR, de grandes lignes de base (base lines), les effets atmosphériques, décorrélation temporelle, et la couverture végétale ont été les facteurs limitant l'obtention d'un maximum d'interférogrammes utilisables. En comparant les résultats D-InSAR avec les extensomètres, nous remarquons qu'il existe une corrélation directe. En contrastant les images des capteurs ENVISAT ASAR et RADARSAT-1, il a été constaté que les lignes de bases (*baselines*) courtes (< 500 m) et des acquisitions d'images à intervalle de temps petite (< 1 an) conduisent à des résultats plus précis et mieux corrélées. Les argiles dans le couloir industriel se compactent d'une façon relativement linéaire, où les différents taux de compaction sont fonctions des propriétés géologiques et du taux de pompage. Il y a environ 4 mois de délais entre la baisse du niveau piezométrique et la compaction. Les taux de subsidence maximale actuelle sont estimés à 15 cm/an à certains endroits. L'affaissement total

maximal d'un point situé dans la vallée entre novembre 2003 et mai 2008 est d'environ 40 cm. Il est estimé que le montant total maximum de subsidence depuis 1962 est de plus de 2,0 mètres.

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## **Chapitre 4: Simulating pumping-induced regional land subsidence in a complex aquifer system**



## Résumé

Le pompage des eaux souterraines a provoqué l'affaissement des sols dans de nombreuses zones urbaines à travers le monde. Depuis les années 1970, des modèles numériques de plus en plus sophistiqués ont été développés afin de simuler l'affaissement des sols induits par le pompage de l'eau souterraine. Une des limites principales de la représentation adéquate de la subsidence est le manque de données représentatives. Une approche multidisciplinaire est présentée ici pour quantifier la subsidence dans un système d'aquifère avec une stratigraphie complexe. La méthodologie consiste en: (1) le couplage du principe de la compaction instantanée 1D de Terzhagi avec l'équation de l'écoulement des eaux souterraines avec le modèle HydroGeoSphere; (2) la validation du nouveau modèle, et (3) La mise en œuvre du modèle pour la vallée de Toluca. Differential Interferometric Synthetic Aperture Radar (D-InSAR), un modèle géologique 3D, des extensomètres, le suivi du rabattement, et l'utilisation des données disponible, sont utilisées pour contraindre le modèle. L'écoulement des eaux souterraines et la subsidence régionale et locale sont observés. La subsidence mesurée avec D-InSAR, les extensomètres, et les simulations numériques se ressemblent relativement bien. Il est constaté que la partie supérieure de l'aquifère est la partie la plus compressible. D-InSAR montre que les taux de subsidence peuvent atteindre jusqu'à 15-20 cm/an dans certains endroits, les taux d'affaissement sont variables dans le temps et l'espace. Des simulations montrent que, depuis la subsidence régionale a commencé au début des années 1960, il y a eu jusqu'à 2 m de subsidence dans le couloir industriel, là où le pompage dans les couches argileuses se trouvent.

# ***Simulating pumping-induced regional land subsidence in a complex aquifer system***

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## **Abstract**

Groundwater pumping has caused land subsidence in many urban areas around the world. Since the 1970's, increasingly sophisticated numerical models have been developed to simulate land subsidence induced by groundwater pumping. A major limitation to the proper representation of land subsidence, however, remains the lack of representative data. A multidisciplinary approach is presented here to quantifying land subsidence in a heavily pumped aquifer system with complex stratigraphy. The methodology consist in: (1) coupling Terzaghi's 1D instantaneous compaction principle to the groundwater flow equation using the HydroGeoSphere model; (2) validating the new model; and (3) Model setup for the Toluca Valley, Mexico and calibration. Differential Interferometric Synthetic Aperture Radar (D-InSAR), a generated 3D geological model, extensometers, monitoring wells, and available literature, are used to constrain the model. The model is used to simulate pumping induced land subsidence within the complex stratigraphy of the Toluca Valley basin, Mexico. Regional and local groundwater flow and subsidence patterns are observed. The D-InSAR measured subsidence, extensometers, and numerical simulations of subsidence agree relatively well. It is found that the upper portion of the aquifer is the most compressible part. D-InSAR shows that although subsidence rates can reach up to 30 cm per year in certain locations, the magnitudes are variable in time and

space. Simulations show that since regional subsidence began in the early 1960's there has been up to 2m of subsidence in the industrial corridor, where heavy pumping and thick clay layers are found. This study shows that multidisciplinary approach is useful in estimating and constraining the vertical component of the inelastic skeletal specific storage.

## 1 INTRODUCTION

Many cities around the world experience land subsidence due to their geologic setting and decreasing groundwater levels. Population growth, and intensifying industry and agriculture are often the principal reason for the increasing groundwater demand and resulting subsidence problems. Coupled groundwater flow and compaction models are useful tools to analyze land subsidence and they represent one of the best methods available for predicting subsidence.

Since the emergence of numerical groundwater flow models in the 1970s, several have coupled compaction to groundwater flow. Since Gambolati and Helm's pioneering work in the early 1970's (Gambolati, 1972; Helm, 1975), most models have represented compaction by applying Terzaghi's 1D compaction principle with a finite difference solution method (Helm, 1975, Rivera et al. 1991; Hoffman et al., 2003b; Liu and Helm 2008); however, Biot's 3D derivation (Biot, 1941)) is sometimes used (Safai, and Pinder, 1979; Lewis and Shrefler, 1978), usually with the finite element solution method. Over the years, various compaction aspects have also been included in models such as dependence of compaction on hydraulic conductivity (e.g. Rudolph and Frind, 1991; Rivera et al., 1991), time delays (e.g. Hoffman et al., 2003a), and effects of moving water tables (e.g. Leake and Galloway, 2007; and Liu and Helm 2008).

The availability of field data remains a major limitation to model applications and to the reliability of their predictions. Except for a few heavily studied major urban centers such as Mexico City, Venice, the Antelope Valley, California, and Shanghai, subsidence data is often incomplete mostly because extensometer installations needed to measure land

subsidence are expensive. Even where extensometers exist, there is often a lack of long term monitoring data needed for model calibration. Over the last two decades, however, the emergence of synthetic aperture radar interferometry (InSAR) has revolutionized subsidence studies. InSAR can monitor land movement at the regional scale, with sub-centimeter vertical precision, thus providing data to calibrate subsidence models even where a few extensometer field subsidence data is available. Due to little interaction between remote sensing communities and hydrogeologists, only a handful of subsidence studies have combined groundwater flow and compaction numerical models with remote sensing techniques and field data. Amelung et al. (1999) has contrasted clay thickness maps with D-InSAR subsidence patterns and Galloway et al. (1998) and Hoffman et al. (2003a) have presented finite difference delayed-compaction models constrained by D-InSAR results and field data for several subsiding locations in Nevada and California. There is a need to further explore the use of InSAR data to calibrate numerical model that simulate land subsidence.

This paper extends the HydroGeoSphere (HGS) (Therrien et al., 2009) finite element groundwater flow and transport model by accounting for instantaneous compaction. The coupling of the flow model with compaction is verified and the model is demonstrated by reproducing land subsidence caused by pumping in the Toluca Valley, Mexico. Simulations are constrained by remote sensing and field data for the complex aquifer system of the Toluca Valley. Hoffmann et al. (2003a) demonstrates that D-InSAR is useful for deriving the total inelastic skeletal storage coefficient ( $S'_{sk}$ ) of an aquifer. Their approach, however, does not consider the vertical variability of  $S'_{sk}$ . In complex aquifer systems, such as in the Toluca Valley, Mexico, with vertically variable material properties, assigning inelastic skeletal storage coefficient for individual clay layers becomes more problematic and requires other sources of data. This work extends the general approach used by Galloway et al. (1998), Amelung et al. (1999), and Hoffmann et al. (2003a) by using D-InSAR subsidence estimates and further constrains the groundwater flow-compaction model with a 3D geologic model to derive  $S'_{sk}$  for individual clay layers. Additionally, multiple remote sensors are used over a 5-year period, thus increasing confidence in D-InSAR estimates.

## 2 BACKGROUND

With the objective of representing land subsidence in the Toluca Valley, Mexico, a compaction module was added to the multipurpose 3D finite element groundwater flow model HGS. The compaction component is based on Terzaghi's 1D effective stress principle as applied most recently by Hoffmann et al. (2003b), Leake and Galloway (2007b), and Liu and Helm (2008).

The total stress,  $\sigma$ , at any point in a porous medium is given by the geostatic load of the overlying saturated and unsaturated sediments. According to Terzaghi (1925), changes in the effective stress can result from changes in the total stress or changes in pore pressure according to

$$\sigma'_{ij} = \sigma_{ij} - p \quad (1)$$

where  $\sigma'_{ij}$  [ $M \cdot L^{-2}$ ] is a component of the effective stress tensor,  $\sigma_{ij}$  [ $M \cdot L^{-2}$ ] is a component of the total stress tensor, and  $p$  [ $M \cdot L^{-2}$ ] is the fluid pore pressure.

If layers forming an aquifer system are assumed to be horizontal and laterally extensive with respect to their thickness, the changes in pore-pressure gradients will be primarily vertical. If it is further assumed that the resulting strains are also primarily vertical, with  $z$  being the vertical coordinate, the following one-dimensional form of equation 1 can be used:

$$\sigma'_{zz} = \sigma_{zz} - p \quad (2)$$

An important assumption is that the total stress remains constant in time, that is,  $\Delta\sigma_{zz} = 0$ . Thus, the method presented applies only to sediment compaction in confined aquifers subject to a constant geostatic load.

Saturated groundwater flow systems are commonly described with hydraulic head as opposed to pore pressure. Total hydraulic head is the sum of the pressure head and the elevation head,

$$h = \frac{p}{\rho_w g} + h_z \quad (3)$$

where  $h$  [L] is the total hydraulic head,  $\rho_w$  = the density of water [ $M \cdot L^{-3}$ ]  $g$  is the gravitational acceleration constant [ $M \cdot T^{-2}$ ], and  $h_z$  [L] is the elevation head referenced to an arbitrary datum.

A change in effective stress resulting from a given head change generally differs in confined and unconfined aquifers. In an unconfined aquifer, a change in head corresponds to a draining or re-wetting of pore space and results in a change in the geostatic load or the total stress on the underlying sediments as well as the pore pressure. The change in effective stress caused by a head change in the saturated portion of an unconfined aquifer can be described as (Poland and Davis, 1969):

$$\Delta\sigma'_{zz} = -\rho_w g(1 - n + n_w) \Delta h \quad (4)$$

where  $\Delta\sigma'_{zz}$  is the change in vertical effective stress (positive for increase),  $n$  [-] is the aquifer porosity,  $n_w$  [-] is the moisture content in the unsaturated zone above the water table, as a fraction of total volume, and  $\Delta h$  is the change in hydraulic head.

It should be noted that changes in head in an unconfined aquifer constitute a mass change in that aquifer. This represents a change in the total stress for all underlying confined aquifers. In a confined aquifer, the total stress changes negligibly with changes in pore pressure as water is released from or is taken into storage by the saturated porous medium as a result of the compression or expansion of the medium and (or) the water. The change in water density associated with the expansion or compression of the water is negligible. Thus the change in effective stress for a given change in head can be expressed as (Poland and Davis, 1969)

$$\Delta\sigma'_{zz} = -\rho_w g \Delta h \quad (5)$$

The HGS compaction module is designed to simulate instantaneous compaction and storage changes in confined aquifer systems and is thus based on equation 5. For compressible layers in the saturated part of an unconfined aquifer, where hydraulic head variations are occurring, this approach will overestimate the change in effective stress, and thus overestimates sediment compaction by the factor equal to  $(1 - n + n_w)^{-1}$  (see Equation 4).

Changes in effective stress ( $\Delta\sigma'_{zz}$ ) cause compaction and expansion of the sediments constituting many aquifer systems. In this paper, the term compaction is used to describe a reduction in the thickness of a horizontal compressible layer. A negative compaction implies an expansion or increased thickness of the compressible layer. Neglecting horizontal displacements, the one-dimensional compressibility ( $\bar{\alpha}$ ) [ $\text{Pa}^{-1}$  or  $\text{M}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}\text{T}^{-2}$ ] can be defined as

$$\bar{\alpha} = -\frac{db}{d\sigma'_{zz}} \quad (6)$$

where  $db$  is the change in thickness of a control volume with initial thickness  $b$ .

If the change in effective stress is due only to a change in the pore pressure, equation 5 can be used to express equation 6 as:

$$\rho_w g \bar{\alpha} b = S'_{sk} b = S'_k = \frac{db}{dh} \quad (7)$$

where  $S'_{sk}$  [ $\text{L}^{-1}$ ] is the skeletal specific storage, equal to  $\rho_w g \bar{\alpha}$ ,  $S'_k$  [-] is the skeletal storage coefficient, equal to  $S'_{sk} b$ , and  $dh$  [ $\text{L}$ ] is the change in hydraulic head.

Laboratory consolidation tests on sediment cores and measurements of aquifer-system compaction obtained from borehole extensometers indicate that compressibility, and thus the skeletal specific storage, can assume very different values depending on whether or not the effective stress exceeds the previous maximum effective stress, termed the preconsolidation stress (Johnson and others, 1968; Riley, 1969; Jorgensen, 1980).

For some sediments, inelastic compaction is approximately proportional to the logarithm of the effective stress (Jorgensen, 1980). However, in many cases applicable to aquifer-system compaction where incremental changes in effective stress are typically small (e.g. the Toluca Valley - Figure 1), the relationship (equation 7) can be linearized as

$$\Delta b = S'_k \Delta h \quad (8)$$

where  $S'_k$  is the skeletal storage coefficient. To account for the marked change of the skeletal specific storage when the effective stress exceeds the preconsolidation stress, two separate values are often used:

$$S'_{sk} = \begin{cases} S'_{ske} & \text{for } \sigma'_{zz} < \sigma'_{zz(pre)} \\ S'_{skv} & \text{for } \sigma'_{zz} \geq \sigma'_{zz(pre)} \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

where  $S'_{ske}$  [ $L^{-1}$ ] is the elastic skeletal specific storage,  $S'_{skv}$  [ $L^{-1}$ ] is the inelastic, or virgin, skeletal specific storage, and  $\sigma'_{zz (pre)}$  [ $M \cdot L^{-2}$ ] is the preconsolidation effective stress.

Compressibility ( $\bar{\alpha}$ ), elastic skeletal specific storage ( $S'_{ske}$ ) and inelastic skeletal specific storage ( $S'_{skv}$ ) can be obtained from consolidation experiments by using both the inferred inelastic ( $C_c$ ) and the elastic ( $C_s$ ) compression indices obtained by plotting the void ratio  $e$  [-] (volume of voids/ total volume) against the log effective stress ( $e - \log \sigma'_{zz}$  curve) (Figure 1).

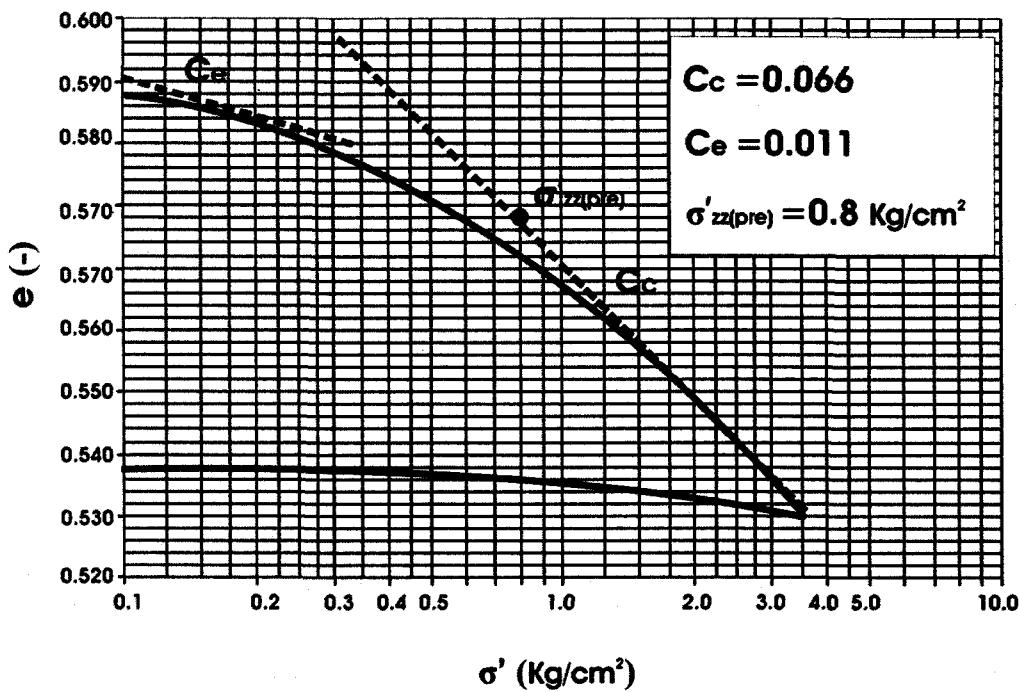


Figure 1: Example of compression test results of a Toluca Valley clay (from UAEM, 2008)

The slope of the inelastic compaction curve is defined as the compression index  $C_c$ .

$$C_c = \frac{e_0 - e}{\log \frac{\sigma'_{zz}}{\sigma_0}} = \frac{-de}{d(\log \sigma'_{zz})} \quad \text{for } \sigma'_{zz} > \sigma'_{zz(\text{pre})} \quad (10)$$

The derivative of void ratio with respect to effective stress is given by:

$$\frac{de}{d\sigma'_{zz}} = \frac{de}{d(\log \sigma'_{zz})} \frac{0.434}{\sigma'_{zz}} = C_c \frac{0.434}{\sigma'_{zz}} \quad (11)$$

On the basis of the definition for aquifer compressibility (Fetter 2001), and using equations (11), we obtain:

$$\bar{\alpha}_c = -\frac{dV/V}{d\sigma'} = \frac{de}{(1+e)d\sigma'_{zz}} = 0.434 \frac{C_c}{(1+e) \sigma'_{zz}} \quad (12)$$

where  $dV$  is the change in aquifer volume,  $V$  is the original volume, and  $d\sigma'$  is the change in effective stress. Combining equations 7 and 12, we obtain:

$$S'_{skv} = \rho g \bar{\alpha}_c = 0.434 \frac{C_c \rho g}{(1 + e_0) \sigma'_{zz}} \quad \text{for } \sigma'_{zz} > \sigma'_{zz(\text{pre})} \quad (13)$$

In the above formula, the compression index  $C_c$  can be used only when  $\sigma'_{zz}$  is greater than the pre-consolidation stress. Otherwise, the expansion index  $C_s$  can be used instead of  $C_c$  to obtain:

$$S'_{ske} = \rho g \bar{\alpha}_e = 0.434 \frac{C_s \rho g}{(1 + e_0) \sigma'_{zz}} \quad \text{for } \sigma'_{zz} < \sigma'_{zz(\text{pre})} \quad (14)$$

If the effective stress remains less than the preconsolidation stress, a further increase in effective stress (or decrease in hydraulic head) causes a small elastic compaction in both coarse- and fine-grained sediments. This compaction is recoverable if the effective stress returns to its initial value. If the effective stress remains consistently above or below the preconsolidation stress, the compressibility and skeletal specific storage are a function of the effective stress (Figure 1).

For stresses greater than the preconsolidation stress,  $S'_{skv}$  is used, and  $S'_{ske}$  is used for stresses less than the preconsolidation stress (Figure 1). To a certain extent, this approach linearizes the nonlinear stress/compaction relation with respect to the preconsolidation stress. By observing figure 1 and other  $e - \log \sigma'_{zz}$  curves from consolidation tests of Toluca Valley clays, the resulting constitutive law represented by equation 8 is a reasonable estimate for these clays, however it only approximates the true stress/compaction relation of the sediments. The consolidation and subsidence process depends on the rate in migration of the decrease in pressure head through the compressible layers and is controlled by the hydraulic diffusivity. The resulting subsidence is the integrated response of the pressure decrease migrating upward through the sediment sequence since pumping began. Thus a delay term is often required in the

conceptualization of the compaction process. Observing delays between a decrease in head and clay compaction (e.g. figure 11), it is noticed that, at Extensometer-1, there appears to be approximately a 4 month delay. There is no other data to suggest the 4 month delay in compaction is due processes that occurred at an earlier time. It can be further argued that the Toluca valley clays are significantly different than the Mexico City clays, where delayed responses are dominant. Additionally, considering the length of time that the simulations represent (~ 100 years), the 4 month delay in compaction is considered insignificant and the use of an instantaneous compaction coupling is considered sufficient for the purpose of representing and predicting consolidation and subsidence of the Toluca Valley.

### 3 METHODOLOGY

The methodology used for this study includes (1) coupling compaction to the groundwater equation; (2) validating the model; and (3) Setting up and calibrating the model for the Toluca Valley

#### 3.1 Coupling compaction to the groundwater flow equation

The following equation is used to describe HGS's modified version of three-dimensional transient subsurface flow for a fully saturated porous medium (Therrien et al., 2009):

$$-\nabla q + \sum \Gamma_{ex} \pm Q = S_s \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} \quad (15)$$

with the fluid flux  $q$  [ $L \cdot T^{-1}$ ] given by:

$$q = -K \nabla h \quad (16)$$

and where the hydraulic head  $h$  is defined in equation 3.  $S_s$  is the specific storage [ $L^{-1}$ ] and the hydraulic conductivity,  $K$  [ $L \cdot T^{-1}$ ], is given by:

$$K = \frac{\rho_w g}{\mu} k \quad (17)$$

where  $g$  is the gravitational acceleration constant,  $\mu$  [ $M \cdot L^{-1} \cdot T^{-1}$ ] is the viscosity of water,  $k$  [ $L^2$ ] is the permeability tensor of the porous medium and  $\rho_w$  [ $M \cdot L^{-3}$ ] is the density of water.

Fluid exchange with the outside of the simulation domain, as specified from boundary conditions, is represented by  $Q$  [ $L^3 \cdot L^{-3} \cdot T^{-1}$ ], which is a volumetric fluid flux per unit volume representing a source (positive) or a sink (negative) to the porous medium system. In Equation 15,  $\Gamma_{ex}$  [ $L^3 \cdot L^{-3} \cdot T^{-1}$ ] represents the volumetric fluid exchange rate between the subsurface domain and all other types of domains of the HGS model and it is expressed per unit volume of the other domain types. HGS can simulate several processes; however, except for wells these other capabilities are not used here.

The term on the right hand side of equation 15 describes the rate of flow into or out of storage per unit volume of aquifer material. The compaction formulation presented below was previously implemented in the finite difference code MODFLOW (Leake and Pudic, 1991; Hoffman et al., 2003b, Leake and Galloway, 2007). If the aquifer system includes compressible sediments, this term can be multiplied by  $(1 - \gamma^*)$ , where  $\gamma^*$  [-] is the fraction, by volume, of compressible interbeds in the aquifer system. The storage of the compressible interbeds is represented by a second term added to the right hand side. Equivalently, the water entering the flow system from interbeds can be added to the source term  $Q$ .

The flow per unit volume for the compressible material [ $L \cdot T^{-1}$ ] is as follows:

$$\bar{q} = \gamma^* S'_{sk} \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} \quad \text{with} \quad S'_{sk} = \begin{cases} S'_{ske} & \text{for } h > h_{min} \\ S'_{skv} & \text{for } h \leq h_{min} \end{cases} \quad (18)$$

where  $h_{min}$  is the lowest previous head or the equivalent preconsolidation stress expressed in terms of preconsolidation head.  $S'_{sk}$  is the skeletal specific storage, which assumes an elastic or inelastic (virgin) value depending on whether the head is above or below  $h_{min}$ . It

is assumed that  $h_{\min}$  defines the preconsolidation stress in terms of a preconsolidation head. Note that this is equivalent to equation 9, with the assumption that the total stress remains constant, and therefore assumes that the water levels in any overlying unconfined aquifers remain approximately constant. Similarly, the compaction of these interbeds can be determined directly from equation 8.

Thus, combining the compaction term to the governing groundwater flow equation yields:

$$-\nabla \cdot q + \sum \Gamma_{ex} \pm Q = [(1 - \gamma^*) * S_s + \gamma * S'_{sk}] \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} \quad (19)$$

The coupling ignores time-delays from slow dissipation of head transients within the interbeds and assumes that heads everywhere equilibrate instantaneously with the head in the surrounding aquifer. Although delays can be important in certain clays (e.g. Mexico City), the Toluca Valley clays exhibit rapid compaction response to head decline. For an example see Figure 11 for comparison between hydraulic head and compaction at Extensometer-1.

### ***Discretization***

HGS uses the control volume finite element method with fully implicit time-weighting (Therrien et al., 2009). Based on equation 19 the following discretized porous medium flow equation, with compaction, is obtained:

$$\begin{aligned} & [(1 - \gamma^*) S_s (h_i^{L+1} - h_i^L) + \gamma * q^*] \frac{v_i}{\Delta t} = \\ & \sum_{j \in \eta_i} \gamma^*_{ij} (h_j^{L+1} - h_i^{L+1}) - (\sum \Gamma_{ex}^{L+1}) v_i \pm Q_i^{L+1} \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

where :

$$q^* = S'_{ki}^{L+1} (h_i^{L+1} - h_{\min}^L) + S'_{ske} (h_{\min}^L - h_i^L) \quad (21)$$

with

$$S'_{ki}^{L+1} = \begin{cases} S'_{ske} & \text{Elastic storage for } h_i^{L+1} > h_{\min}^L \\ S'_{skv} & \text{Inelastic storage for } h_i^{L+1} \leq h_{\min}^L \end{cases} \quad (22)$$

and where  $h_i$  is the head for control volume  $i$  as defined in equation 3 and

$$\gamma_{ij} = \int_v \nabla N_i \cdot K \cdot \nabla N_j dv \quad (23)$$

for the interpolation functions  $N$  defined for the 3-D porous medium elements and where the control volume associated with a given node is given by:

$$v_i = \int_v N_i dv . \quad (24)$$

Because an implicit representation is used, equation 20 is non linear and an iterative solution is required. The Picard method is used to linearize the equation.

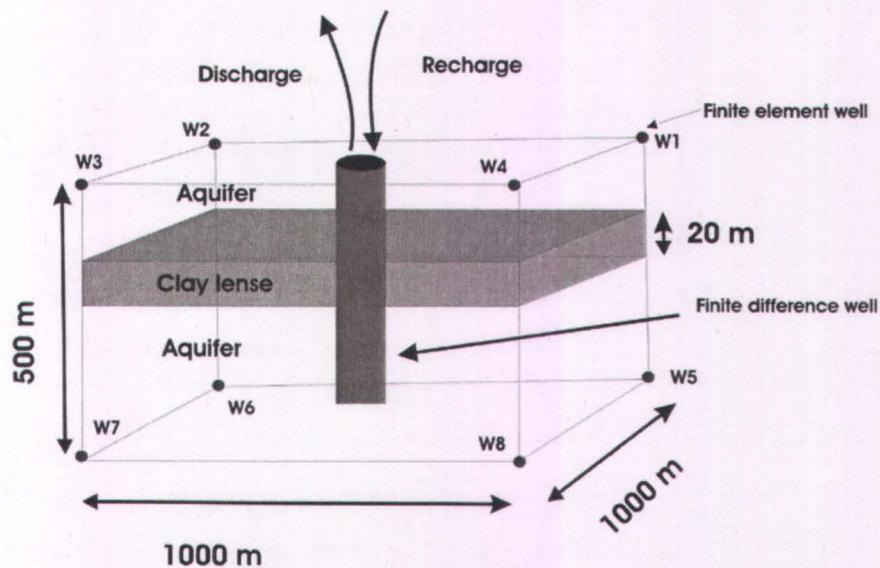
### 3.2 HGS model verification

Both the MODFLOW-SUB package and HGS's flow solution accuracy have been verified by analytical solutions (Hoffmann et al., 2003b; Therrien et al., 2009) and have been successfully applied to several case studies. The new compaction module of HGS is thus verified by comparing a sample problem solution to MODFLOW-SUB.

The scenario, selected from Hoffmann et al. (2003b), simulates the effects of seasonally fluctuating stresses on heads in an aquifer and on subsidence history. A confined aquifer with a thickness of 500 m and a storage coefficient ( $S$ ) of  $1.44 \times 10^{-3}$  was simulated in a single model cell (Figure 2). The cell extends 1,000 m in both horizontal dimensions and 500 m vertically. No-flow boundaries were specified on the sides and bottom of the cell. Starting heads and preconsolidation heads were specified as 0 m. A 20-meter thick, laterally extensive clay lens is interbedded in this aquifer. The compressible material was assigned values of  $5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^{-1}$  and  $5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^{-1}$  for elastic ( $S'_{ske}$ ) and inelastic ( $S'_{skv}$ ) skeletal specific storage, respectively, and  $1.125 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m/s}$  for vertical hydraulic

conductivity ( $K_z'$ ). The stresses were modulated by seasonal pumping and recharge during 5 years: for 6 months,  $118.3 \text{ m}^3/\text{d}$  was withdrawn by pumping followed by a 6-month period during which 20 percent ( $23.66 \text{ m}^3/\text{d}$ ) of the extracted water was recharged through the well; this cycle was repeated 5 times in the simulation. The model setup is shown in Figure 2.

The HGS simulation uses a finite element model and heads are therefore simulated at nodes, and not at cell centers like MODFLOW. For HGS a 3D brick element with 8 nodes is used. Pumping rates are equally distributed between all 8 nodes, as opposed to MODFLOW where only one rate is applied at the cell center.



*Figure 2: Verification problem - Model configuration used to simulate seasonally fluctuating stresses. The only sources and sinks of water in the system are the discharge or recharge through the well and the storage in the interbed and aquifer. The finite difference model uses a single well for recharge and discharge and the finite element uses the 8 corners of the block as wells (w1-w8), with the pumping and injection rates respectively divided by 8 for each well.*

The resulting computed head at each node is equal for both models and is the head shown in Figure 3. On the other hand, nodal compaction has to be added up vertically to obtain the total subsidence shown in Figure 3 (i.e. the compaction is added up for two nodes that have the same x,y coordinates).

The resulting hydraulic heads and compaction of the layer for MODFLOW-SUB and HGS-compaction are shown in Figure 3. For each model, we observe that both the

hydraulic heads and the compaction values are identical. By matching the coupling equations and the time weighting scheme (implicit) identical results were achieved with both models.

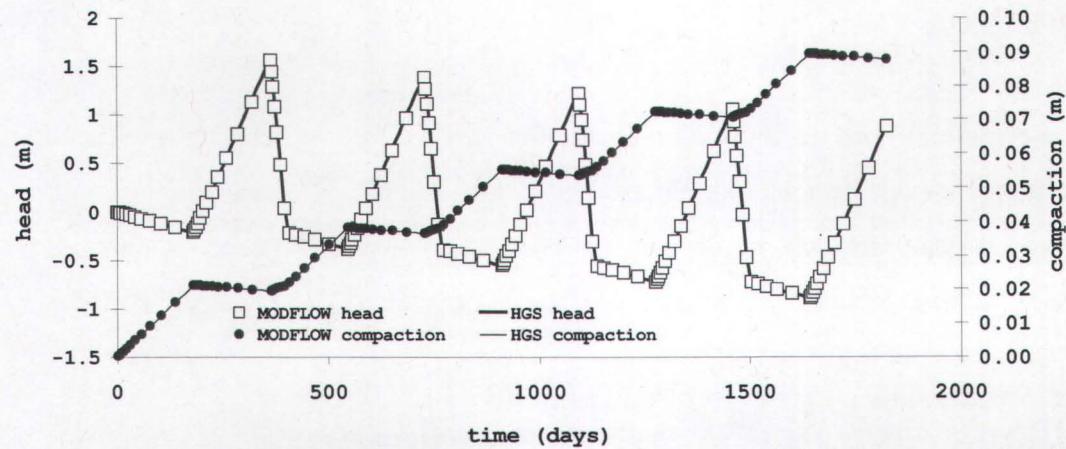
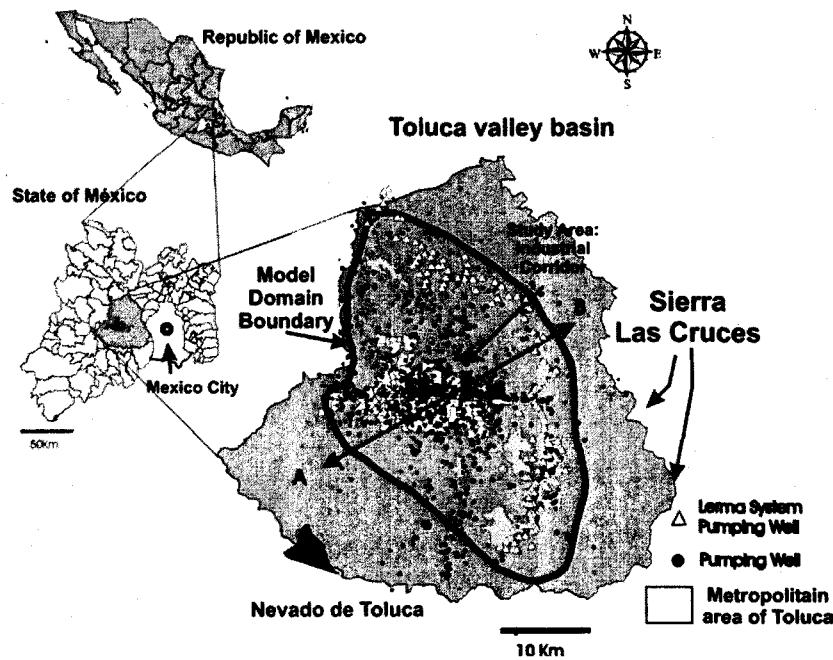


Figure 3: verification results showing hydraulic head and total compaction for the HGS and MODFLOW simulations

#### 4 TOLUCA VALLEY BACKGROUND

The Toluca Valley basin (Figures 4 and 5a) covers an area of approximately 2100 Km<sup>2</sup>. The basin is adjacent to the Mexico City Valley, with the Sierra Las Cruces forming a natural border between the two basins. The Toluca Valley's geographic position in the center of the country and proximity to Mexico City, as well as its rapidly developing infrastructure, have allowed the city to grow into a major industrial zone for the country.



*Figure 4: Location map of the Toluca Valley and model domain boundary within the Republic of Mexico and the State of México. Over 935 pumping wells are in operation in the Valley, including the 230 Lerma system wells pumping water to the Mexico City Basin.*

According to the 2005 census (INEGI, 2005), the metropolitan area of Toluca, including 12 neighbouring municipalities, is the fifth most populous metropolitan area in Mexico and the largest within the State of México. The total population of the Toluca Valley in 2005 was just over 1.7 million people (INEGI, 2005). From 1960 to 2005, the population of the valley has doubled approximately every 20 years (INEGI, 1960-2005).

The following sub-sections describe the available data and associated pre-processing: Geological information is used to generate a 3D geological model; and the D-InSAR technique is used to obtain subsidence maps

### **Geology**

Volcanic andesitic rock from a Miocene-age buried volcano in the centre of the valley forms the basement in the basin (Figure 5A). The bedrock forms a bowl in the centre of the valley, reaching depths greater than 600 m and cropping out to the surface at the edges of the valley. The andesitic volcano formation of the Nevado de Toluca core is located to the West. The bedrock is overlain by a confining layer of pure lacustrine clays

and by the Chalma formation aquifer, composed of a mixture of sand, gravel and clay. The Tarango formation aquifer, deposited after the Chalma formation, extends from the flanks of the Sierra Las Cruces Mountains in the East across the basin floor to the foot of the Nevado of Toluca volcano. This formation is a heterogeneous mixture of volcaniclastic materials (Lesser and Asociados, 1992). The basaltic and ash flows of the Chichinautzin formation were deposited in the eastern portion of the Toluca Valley and act as an aquifer. In the upper middle portion of the valley, where most of the groundwater pumping occurs, complex interlayering of lacustrine clay (aquitard) and alluvium deposits (aquifer) are found. The industrial corridor, adjacent to the Lerma River (Figure 4, 5A), is located on what used to be a flood plain. Occasionally, during heavy rainfall, parts of the industrial corridor become a flood plain, yielding more compressible sediment. The complex sequence of layers in this area is shown schematically in Figure 5B.

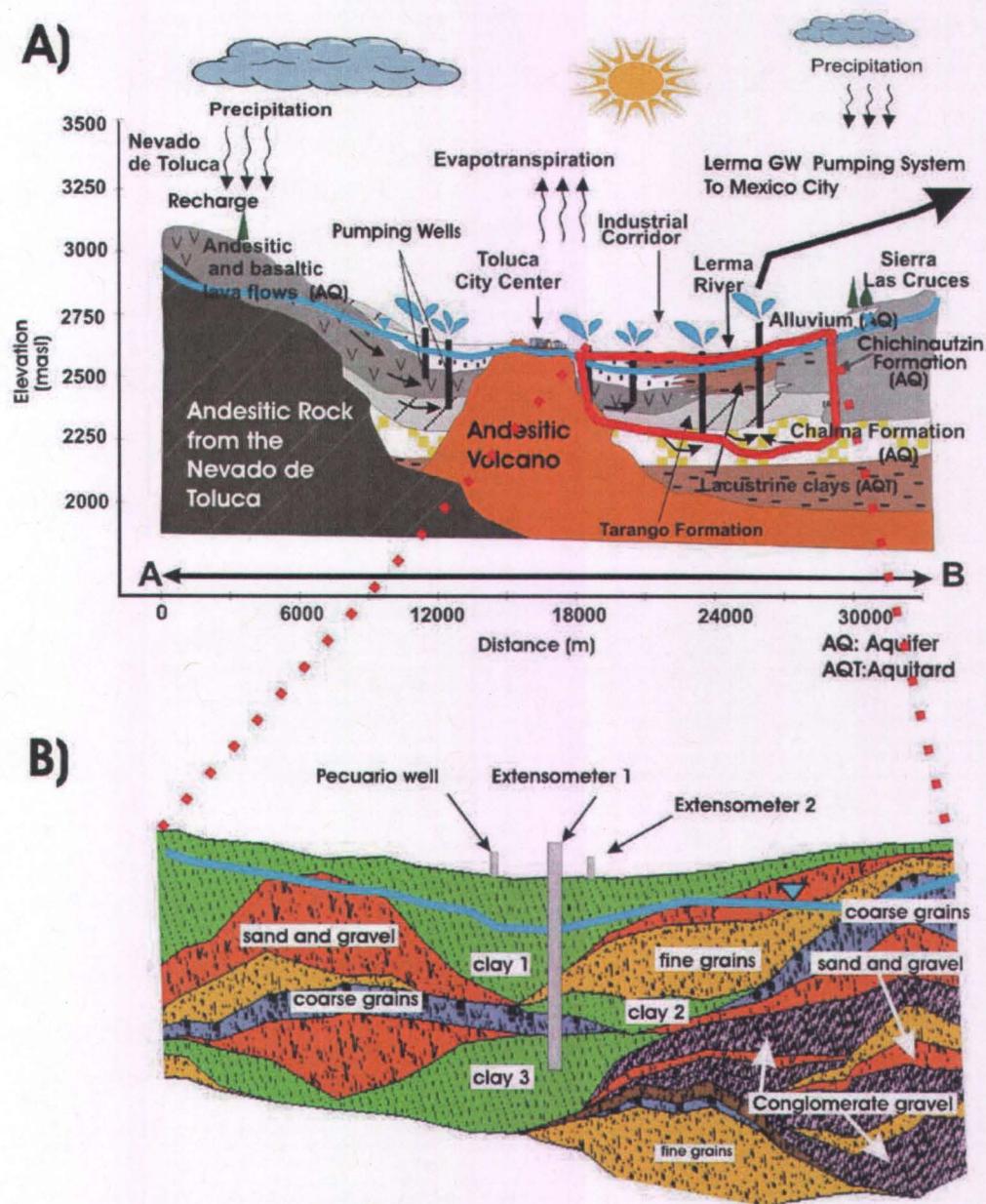


Figure 5: 5A: 2D view of the conceptual model for the Toluca Valley Basin including geologic layers (Modified from Calderhead et al. (2009a)) and 5B: a close up of the industrial corridor study area with a generated cross section. Locations of observation points in B are located in plane view on Figures 8 and 15. Cross section A-B is located on figure 4.

Clay materials are known to be significantly more compressible than other common materials such as sand, gravel, or consolidated rock. It is thus important to delineate the clay layer boundaries for a proper representation of a compaction model. Amelung et al. (1999) describe the correlation between InSAR derived subsidence and aggregate clay thickness (the sum of clay layer thicknesses at a given xy-location). There are several

types of clays in the Toluca valley, varying from very low compressibility ( $\bar{\alpha} = 2e^{-8} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$ ) to moderately high compressibility ( $\bar{\alpha} = 3e^{-6} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$ ). From the geological model presented in the previous section, four distinct clay layers are delineated in addition to the computed aggregate clay thickness. Figure 6 presents the 2 major (Figures 6A and 6B), and aggregate (Figure 6C) clay layers.

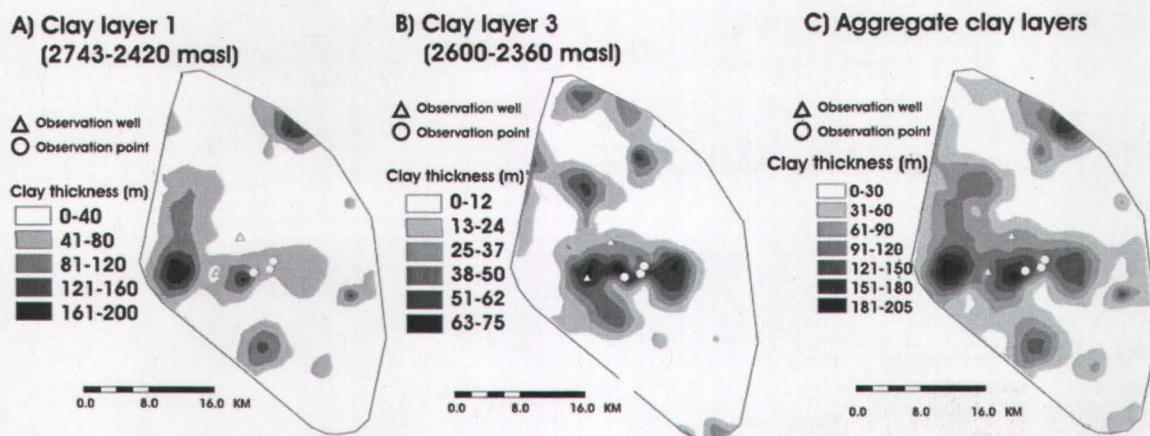


Figure 6: Clay layer thickness (6A and 6B) and aggregate clay thickness (6C)

### Water budget

The rainy season generally occurs during the months of April through to October. Annually, the basin valley receives an average of 695 mm of precipitation (Lesser y Asociados SA 1992), whereas the higher altitudes receive larger amounts of rain, in the range of 1,200 mm/year. Annual precipitation cycles and amounts in the basin have been relatively constant since the first year of available data in 1942 (Lesser y Asociados SA 1992). Recharge values, needed for the flow simulations, are based on meteorological data between 1970 and 1999 (Figure 7). An average recharge value is used for the period 2000-2010 (CNA 2006).

Based on 48 multilevel piezometers operating in the Toluca Valley since 1969, CNA (2008) documents drawdown within the valley over a 4 decade period. Drawdown is induced by over 935 pumping wells with varying pumping rates located throughout the Toluca Valley (Figure 10A). For simplification purposes, 167 representative wells at

selected locations are used to represent all pumping occurrences. Based on IMTA (2003) and Calderhead et al. (2009a), total pumping is distributed evenly between the 167 representative wells.

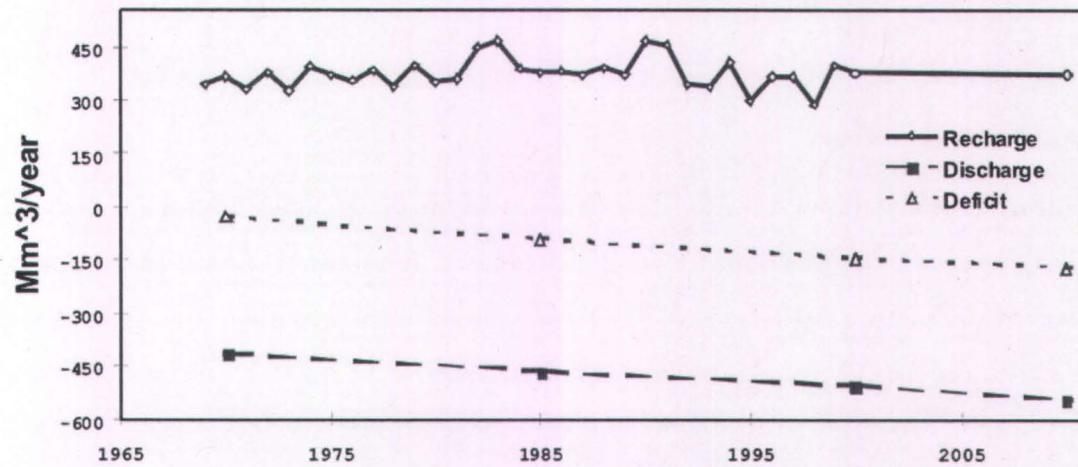


Figure 7: Groundwater recharge, discharge (natural and anthropogenic), and deficit from 1970 to 2010. From 1970 to 1999 actual recharge values are shown. From 2000 to 2010 an average expected recharge is shown. Recharge, discharge and deficit values are based on Calderhead et al. (2009a).

By backwards extrapolating, Calderhead et al. (2009a) show that there has been a water budget deficit in the Toluca Valley since the early 1960's (Figure 7) and this deficit continues to increase with time. Considering the increasing deficit within the basin, it was determined that over a long time ( $> 10$  years), seasonal head fluctuations did not have a significant impact on the total subsidence. Therefore, only yearly, as opposed to monthly or daily, recharge, discharge, and budget deficits were used for the simulations. With the assumption of the increasing deficit, subsidence (not uplift or clay expansion) is the dominant process and therefore more importance is given to the inelastic skeletal specific storage ( $S'_{skv}$ ) as opposed to the elastic skeletal specific storage ( $S'_{ske}$ ).

### ***Subsidence measurements***

Although several previous studies of the Toluca Valley have described the location and orientation of fractures (Figueroa, 1990; 2004) and the compressibility of clays near the surface (Consultec, 1978; Minor, 2007), a very limited amount of quantitative subsidence

data is available from the literature. Field data was obtained by installing two borehole extensometers in regions with noticeable subsidence down to depths of 120m and gathering data over a two-year period. Consolidation tests were performed on clay samples taken from representative locations. And finally, D-InSAR was used to locate and quantify magnitudes of subsidence zones. Borehole extensometers and D-InSAR data are briefly described below.

### ***Borehole extensometers***

The objective of installing the extensometers was to obtain accurate field measurements of subsidence at point locations. Two R-4 magnetic reed switch probe extensometer systems, manufactured by Roctest® (Roctest, 2009), were installed in the Industrial Corridor (Figure 5B). Boreholes with a 15 cm diameter were bored by a rotary drill and reached depths of 115 and 78 meters for Extensometer-1 and Extensometer-2, respectively. For this study, reading frequencies from the extensometers varied from 1 to 6 months and spanned two years beginning in July of 2006 and ending in July of 2008.

### ***InSAR***

InSAR derived subsidence maps are used to estimate and decrease the uncertainty associated with specific storage values. The interferograms and deformation maps are useful for locating compacting regions and quantifying the amount of subsidence. SAR images were obtained from ERS-1, ENVISAT ASAR, and RADARSAT-1 between 1996 and 2008. Calderhead et al. (2009b) present the complete D-InSAR results for the Toluca Valley. Figure 10B shows an example of an interferogram of two images taken 70 days apart in late 2007 and early 2008.

## **5 MODEL SETUP AND CALIBRATION**

This section presents the model setup and describes the calibration process.

### **5.1 Model setup**

To deal with the complex stratigraphy of the Toluca Valley, a processing chain uses borehole logs for generating a representative regional 3D geologic model. A total of 211 geologic well logs (Figure 8A: 151 Lerma pumping wells, 48 multi-level piezometers, and 12 additional wells) from the Toluca Valley basin were used to create the 3D geologic model domain. The 22 geologic types ranging from clays and fine sands to coarse gravel and volcanic fractured rock were simplified into 10 material types. Based on the well data and existing cross sections, the GMS 6.5 software uses a sequence of algorithms (GMS, 2009) for assigning consecutive layer horizons, creating cross sections between boreholes and finally generating the solids. In total, 34 solid layers (Figure 8B and 8C) were generated. Careful examination of the stratigraphy of each well combined with comparisons of existing cross sections (Ariel and Consultores, 1996) were necessary to obtain a simplified, yet detailed, geologic representation of the basin. While preserving the general geologic topography, the 34 layers with 10 material types were further simplified to 14 layers with 6 material types. Using the GridBuilder software (McLaren, 2005), the final 2D mesh of 27225 nodes (Figure 8D), representing the horizontal extent of the simulation domain, was generated with a mesh refinement around the location of 167 representative wells. The topography of the 14 geologic horizons was sequentially extracted at each node by 15 2D mesh layers. The 3D mesh (Figure 8F) is created by superposing the 15 2D mesh layers in the 3rd dimension (Figure 8E). The 3D mesh has a total of 408375 nodes and 760284 elements.

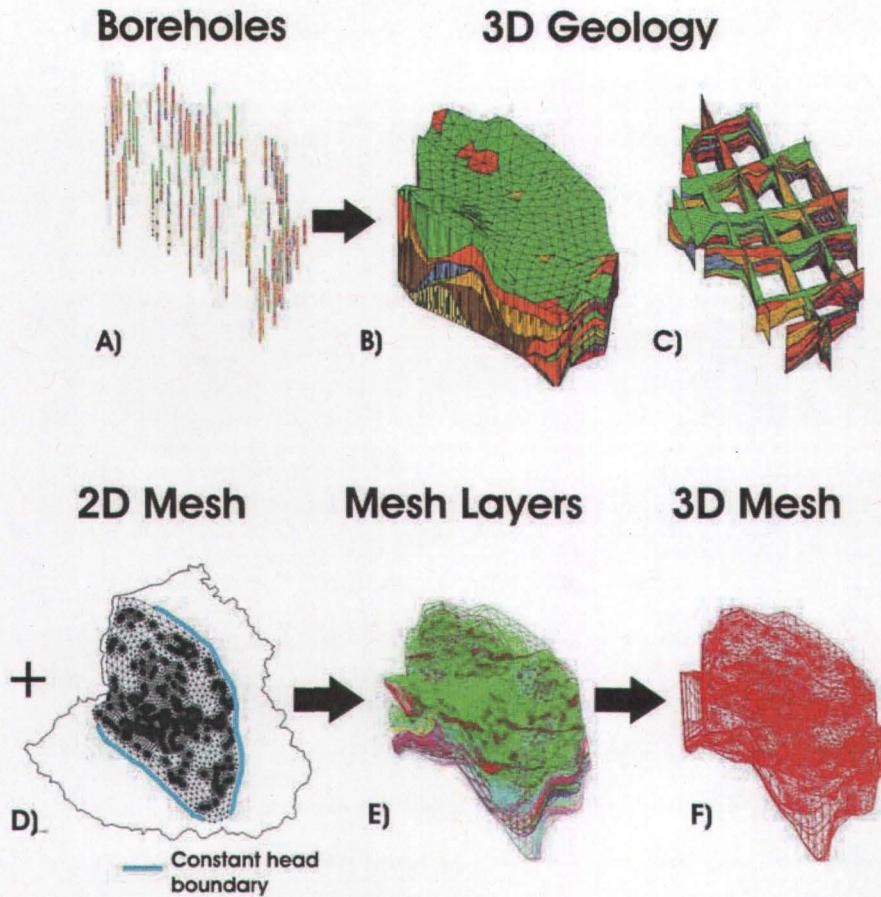


Figure 8: Processing chain for obtaining the 3D finite-element model domain. Boreholes (A) are used to generate 3D geology (B and C), then using the geologic layers and the 2D mesh (D), the topography of the geological layers are extracted (E). Finally the 3D mesh (F) is generated

Table 1 presents the boundary conditions, initial conditions, pumping incrementation, and the solution method. Table 2 gives a description of the material properties used for the simulations.

**Table 1: Problem setup**

SIMULATION SETUP	DESCRIPTION
<b>Boundary Conditions</b>	
Uniform vertical recharge	135 mm/year
Constant head boundary	Nodes at top of layer 1; See Figure 8D for xy location of boundary
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
Hydraulic head	Estimated hydraulic head values from 1950 (based on CNA (2008))
Simulations begin date	January 1 <sup>st</sup> , 1950
<b>Total pumping</b>	
1950-1969	312 Mm <sup>3</sup> /year
1970-1977	346 Mm <sup>3</sup> /year
1978-1993	401 Mm <sup>3</sup> /year
1994-2004	456 Mm <sup>3</sup> /year
2005-2010	494 Mm <sup>3</sup> /year
<b>Solution</b>	
Solution method	Picard Iteration
Absolute convergence criteria	1.0e-4
Maximum iteration	15
Initial timestep	1 day
Maximum timestep	100 days

Table 2: Description of material properties for the Toluca Valley.

Layer number (from top to bottom)	Description	Average thickness	Hydraulic Conductivity	Specific Storage	Porosity	Fraction of compressible materials	Elastic skeletal specific storage	Inelastic skeletal specific storage
		b [m]	K [m/s]	S <sub>s</sub> [1/m]	θ [-]	γ* [-]	S'ke [1/m]	S'kv [1/m]
Layer 1	clays 1	45,9	2,0E-06	7,0E-03	0,40	0,7	9,2E-07	3,7E-06
Layer 2	sand and gravel	18,0	4,0E-04	8,9E-03	0,35	1,00E-04	3,6E-08	1,4E-07
Layer 3	fine grains	16,9	3,0E-05	3,4E-03	0,30	1,00E-04	8,4E-08	3,4E-07
Layer 4	clay 2	2,1	2,0E-06	7,0E-03	0,35	0,7	3,0E-07	4,2E-07
Layer 5	fine grains	17,1	6,0E-05	3,4E-03	0,35	1,00E-04	8,6E-08	3,4E-07
Layer 6	coarse grains	19,0	1,0E-03	4,0E-03	0,35	1,00E-04	3,3E-08	1,3E-07
Layer 7	sand and gravel	10,6	4,0E-04	8,9E-03	0,35	1,00E-04	2,1E-08	8,5E-08
Layer 8	volcanic solids	6,7	6,0E-04	1,7E-03	0,30	1,00E-04	1,7E-12	6,7E-12
Layer 9	clays 3	21,9	5,0E-07	7,0E-03	0,35	0,7	2,1E-07	4,4E-06
Layer 10	conglomerate	7,3	6,0E-05	3,0E-03	0,30	1,00E-04	1,8E-12	7,3E-12
Layer 11	sand and gravel	6,8	4,0E-04	8,9E-03	0,35	1,00E-04	1,4E-08	5,4E-08
Layer 12	clays 4	3,7	6,0E-06	7,0E-03	0,35	0,7	1,9E-07	7,5E-07
Layer 13	fine grains	9,8	6,0E-05	3,4E-03	0,35	1,00E-04	4,9E-08	2,0E-07
Layer 14	sand and gravel	2,0	4,0E-04	8,9E-03	0,35	1,00E-04	4,0E-09	1,6E-08
Zones A-G	High compressibility areas of Layer 1	30,0	2,0E-06	7,0E-03	0,35	1,00E-04	1,0E-06	2,4E-06

## 5.2 Calibration

The model was set up by using field data for assigning the aquifer and aquitard physical properties (Table 2), initial hydraulic head conditions, and boundary conditions. Several points, or numerical observation wells, were used to monitor the calibration process. Namely, the points used were located at Extensometer-1, Extensometer-2 and the Pecuario well, located in the region where most of the compaction is observed. This is also where a significant amount of InSAR work was focused.

Initial simulations showed that the hydraulic heads were not decreasing and compaction was not increasing as rapidly as measured in the field. Certain parameters of the model were adjusted to achieve an acceptable degree of calibration.

Pumping location and rates were used to calibrate the hydraulic heads. This is described further in the following section. Increasing the specific storage ( $S_s$ ) values of the non-clay layers by an order of magnitude greater than field observations significantly improved the calibration of head and compaction. The values shown in table 2 are approximately one order of magnitude greater than those measured in the field. Finally, the inelastic skeletal specific storage ( $S'_{kv}$ ) was fine tuned to match the observed field compaction. The

calibration of hydraulic head and inelastic skeletal specific storage  $S'_{skv}$  are described in more detail in the following sections. A description of the drawdown and compaction agreement is also discussed.

### ***Head calibration***

Calibrating the hydraulic head involved both using hydraulic head and drawdown values from multilevel piezometers located throughout the valley and by varying pumping. The total pumping rate of the entire valley (based on Calderhead et al., 2009a) however remained constant for all simulation. A higher grid resolution was placed on the industrial corridor where a large portion of the pumping and the largest drawdowns are observed. Yearly total pumping was estimated in 5 to 15 year increments (Table 1), the simulated drawdown is shown in Figure 9. The general trend follows the hydraulic head and drawdown values at PL-201, PL-205, and the limited information at Extensometer-1. Seasonal head variations could be of interest, however, considering that the groundwater levels are in a steady decline, only yearly data has been considered.

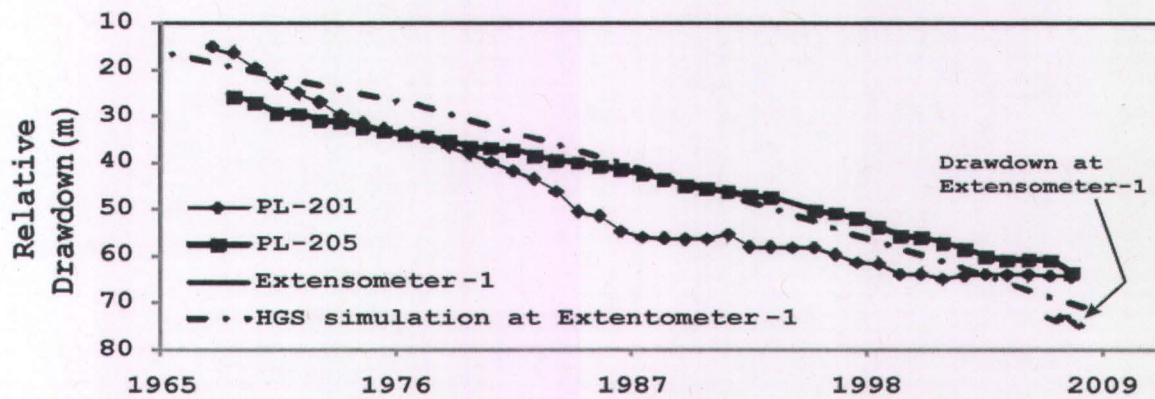


Figure 9: Measured and simulated relative drawdown at Extensometer 1 contrasted with relative drawdown of nearby long-term monitoring wells PL-201 and PL-205 (see figure 15 for locations).

### ***Estimating $S'_{sk}$ for an individual clay layer***

Figure 10A shows pumping locations, and pumping rates, overlaying the generated aggregate clay thickness (from Figure 6); and Figure 10B is a representative D-InSAR

interferogram of the entire valley showing localized subsidence zones over a 70 day period. Figure 10B suggests that there is very limited interferometric coherence – or detectable surface movement - in the North-East and South-West corners, thus limiting its usefulness. However, usable results are obtained throughout the central part of the valley, where subsidence is the largest. Note that the interferogram is not optimised for parameter retrieval in zone E; this zone of maximum subsidence is studied in more detail in the results section. For the 70 day period between December 5<sup>th</sup> and February 13<sup>th</sup>, zones A though G are ‘hotspots’ with very clear subsidence patterns observed. If one observes the zoom on zone A (Figure 10B), two colour cycles (clockwise: yellow-blue-red; see legend of Figure 10B) are observed and represent a total subsidence of 56 mm for the given period. This translates to subsidence rates of 29 cm/year. As noted by Calderhead et al. (2009b) in their D-InSAR study of the Toluca Valley, maximum subsidence rates depend on the geological context, the pumping rates, and the season and are therefore often variable in space, time, and magnitude. Considering this, actual maximum yearly subsidence at a specific location is closer 15 cm/year.

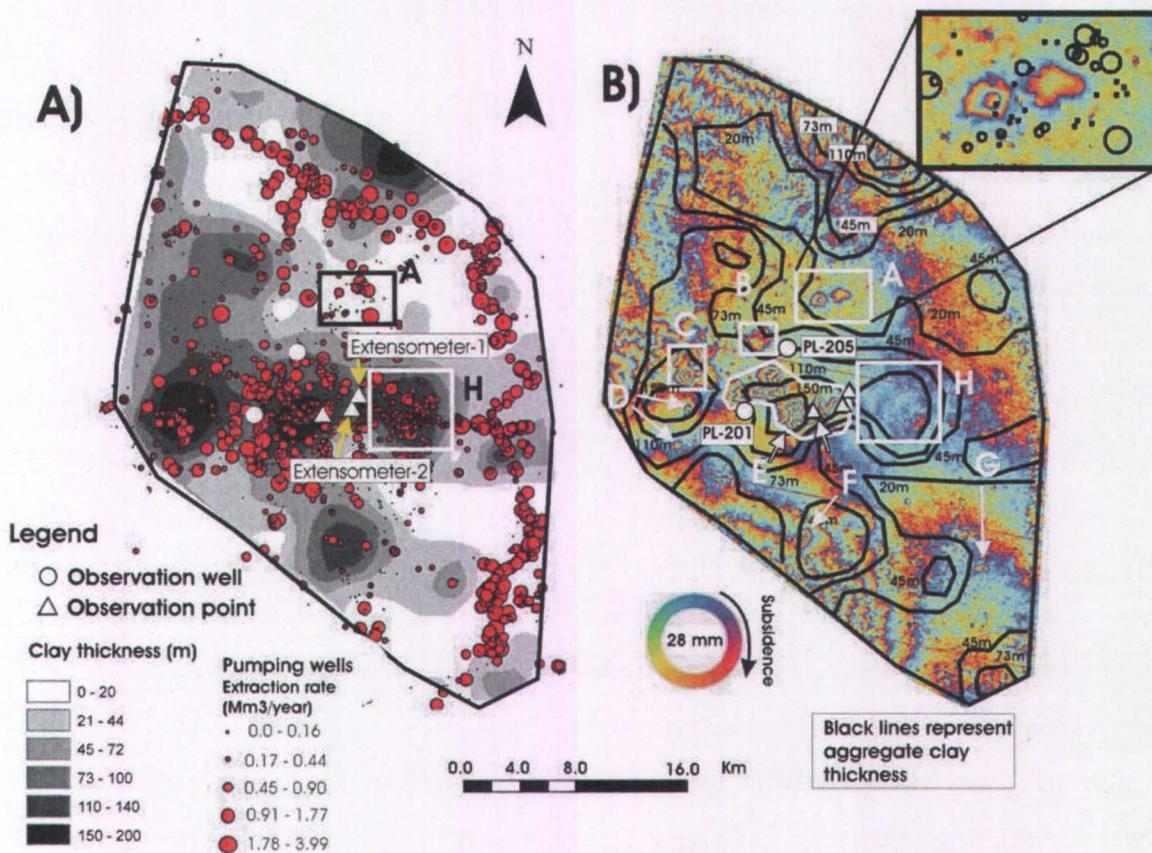


Figure 10: A) Aggregate clay thickness and pumping occurrences B) Differential Interferogram of the Toluca Valley with a time interval of 70 days. ENVISAT ASAR images were acquired on December 5<sup>th</sup> 2007 and February 13, 2008. A blue-red-yellow cycle represents subsidence (2.8cm), conversely blue-yellow-red would represent uplift. Lines of equal aggregate thickness (from 9A) are also shown on the map. Note that topographic errors are seen on the edges of the valley and should not be interpreted as subsidence. Subsidence should only be inferred from zones A-G.

Using clay layer thicknesses (Figures 6, 9A), interferograms (e.g. Figure 10B), pumping data (IMTA, 2003) (Figure 10A) and hydraulic head measurements,  $S'_{ki}$  can be constrained for an individual layer  $i$ , belonging to a system of  $N$  layers.  $S'_k$  represents the skeletal storage coefficient of the entire aquifer system of  $N$  layers at a given location on the  $xy$  plane, and is given by:

$$S'_k = \sum_{i=1}^N S'_{ki} = \sum_{i=1}^N S'_{sk_i} b_i \quad (25)$$

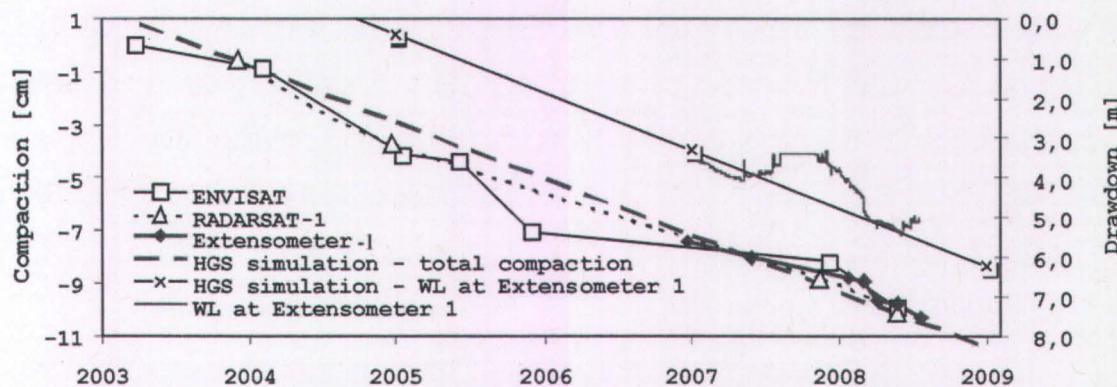
where  $b_i$  is the thickness of layer  $i$ . Using data obtained from borehole logs, the fraction of compressible interbeds ( $\lambda_i$ ) can be estimated for all  $N$  layers. A layers with no clay content is assigned a value of 0, conversely a layer with pure clay is assigned a value of 1. The borehole logs assist in assigning the fraction of clay in each layer (Table 2). Assuming the given fraction of compressible interbeds for each layer, it is then possible to estimate  $S'_{sk}$  for individual clay layers ( $S'_{ski}$ ).

Borehole logs, clay compressibility data from the Toluca Valley (UAEM, 2007) and empirically derived compressibility tables (Marsily, 1986) assist in assigning  $S'_{sk}$  values to the layers. Only layers with clay content are considered compressible and all other layers are considered to have negligible compressibility. According to Figures 5B and 6, of the 14 material layers, the most influential layers in terms of compressibility are layers 1 and 9. The others are considered to either be of negligible compressibility or too small of a layer to have a significant impact. Field data is not available for zone H, shown in Figure 10B, however the InSAR data is useful in constraining  $S'_{ski}$  for this zone: although there is a high aggregate clay thickness (Figure 6C) and significant groundwater pumping (Figure 10A) in zone H, all usable interferograms from 1996-2008 show very little to no subsidence in this zone. Observing Figure 6 further, we notice that the thickness of clay layer 3 (Layer 9) is significant (40-80 m) in zone H, implying that the  $S'_{ski}$  value for this layer is most likely small and that Layer 1 has the highest  $S'_{ski}$  and is the dominant compressible layer in this region. This phenomenon could be explained by the fact that older and deeper clays of clay layer 3 tend to be less compressible than more recent clays in Layer 1. This in turn could explain why the extensometers readings, with data from the top 120m of the system, coincide with the InSAR results and show that the large majority of compaction is occurring in the upper portion of the aquifer.

Thus the large majority of the total  $S'_{sk}$  (equation 26) is attributed to layer 1. By using the 3D geological model, pumping occurrences, and D-InSAR results, we are able to isolate the most compressible clay structure and assign more probable values to individual layers. Thus the uncertainty associated with the estimation is reduced to better constrain

the  $S'_{sk}$  values. Table 2 is a summary of the assigned material properties used for the simulation.

### ***Head and compaction agreement***



*Figure 11: Simulated and measured total compaction at Extensometer 1 by ENVISAT ASAR, RADARSAT-1, Extensometer-1, and HGS simulation. Simulated and measured drawdown (WL) at Extensometer-1 are also included.*

At Extensometer-1, similar subsidence patterns are observed from ENVISAT ASAR, RADARSAT-1, Extensometer-1, and the HGS compaction simulation (Figure 11). From December 2006 to July 2008, a pressure transducer at Extensometer 1 measured the hydraulic head every 12 hours. From Figure 11, it is seen that approximately 1 metre of drawdown leads to 1 cm of compaction. Additional hydraulic head data at extensometer 1 would enhance the calibration process.

## **6 RESULTS**

Three locations in the industrial corridor, where drawdown has been monitored over a 40-year period and noticeable subsidence is observed, are examined more closely: Extensometer-1 (seen in the calibration section above), Extensometer 2, and the Pecuario well location (Figures 11, 12, and 13 respectively). Two of the three observation points have 2 years of extensometer data. Due to delays in obtaining subsidence maps, only D-InSAR data is available for the Pecuario well location; on-site surveys at this location are

not available. The nearby monitoring wells, PL-201 and PL-205, are used for long term monitoring of hydraulic head or drawdown at an approximate depth of 150 m.

Subsidence at Extensometer-2 is observed in Figure 12. The extensometer data slope coincides relatively well with the D-InSAR results and the numerical model. The magnitude of subsidence is similar to Extensometer-1's values with approximately 9 cm of compaction between November 2003 and May 2008. Considering the proximity of Extensometer 2 to Extensometer 1, hydraulic head is assumed to decrease at a rate similar to that observed at Extensometer 1 (Figure 9). Considering the similar head decline at both locations, and that compaction magnitudes are similar for both locations (Figure 11 and 12); the total skeletal specific storage values are also assumed to be similar.

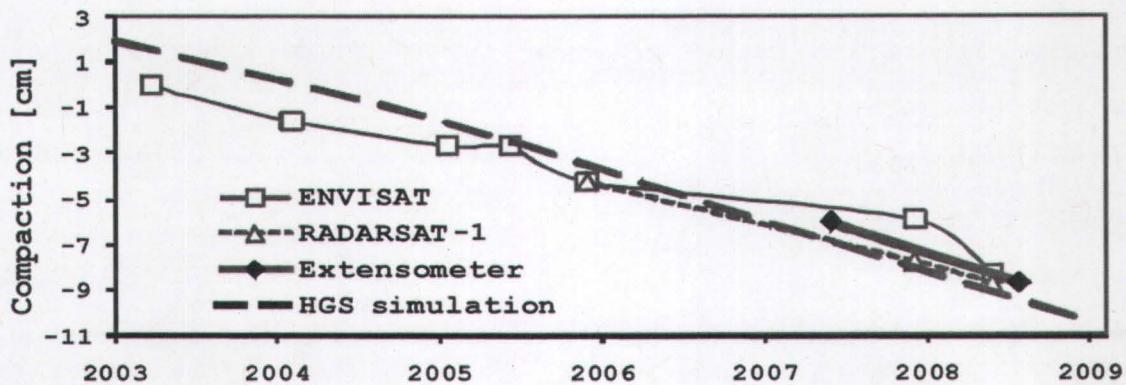


Figure 12: Total compaction as a function of time at Extensometer 2 location. Shown are compaction observed with the extensometer, compaction measured by ENVISAT ASAR and RADARSAT-1, and compaction simulated with HGS.

Skeletal specific storage ( $S'_{sk}$ ) appears higher at the Pecuario well location (Figure 13) because the same amount of drawdown in this region (1 m) produces more compaction (8 cm) than elsewhere. According to the D-InSAR results, the Pecuario well location has had over 37 cm of total subsidence between November 2003 and May 2008. This point is close to the area where the highest subsidence rates are detected and it is estimated that the maximum total subsidence in the valley for the same period is in the order of 40 cm.

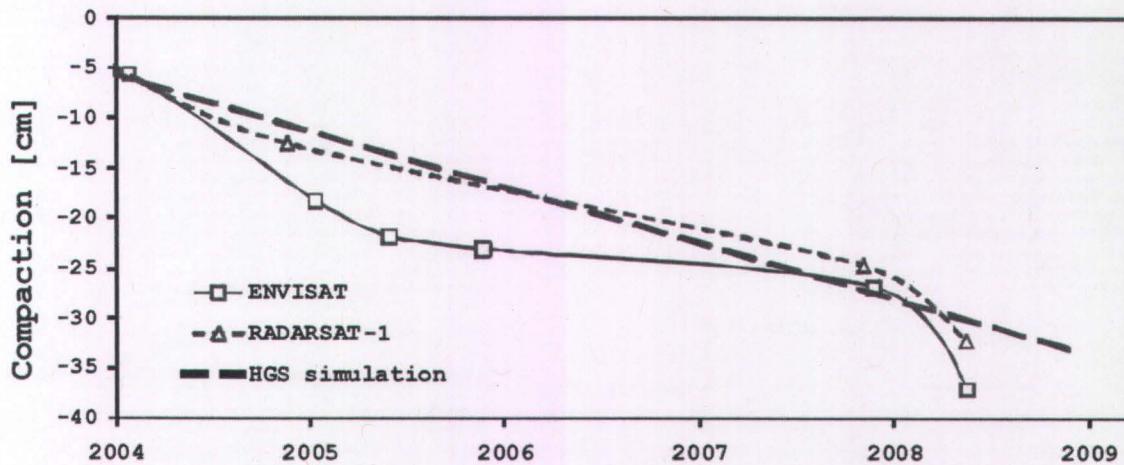


Figure 13: Total compaction at the Pecuario well location measured by ENVISAT ASAR RADARSAT-1, and the numerical model between March 2003 and January 2009.

From Figures 11-13, it can be inferred that, from 2003 to 2008, the industrial corridor clay compacted in a relatively linear fashion with varying compaction rates as a function of differing drawdown and geo-mechanical properties. It can be argued that the linearized approach used by HGS is applicable to the Toluca Valley since the clays are not as compressible as some other clays (e.g. Mexico City).

Although most of the D-InSAR data available for the Toluca Valley are from 2003 to 2008, one D-InSAR pair was obtained from the 1996 ERS-1 archives. The simulated compaction rates in 1996 at Extensometer-1 agree with the subsidence map generated with the ERS-1 sensor images (Figure 14). Between 1996 and 2008 a total of 30 cm of subsidence is estimated at the Extensometer-1 location.

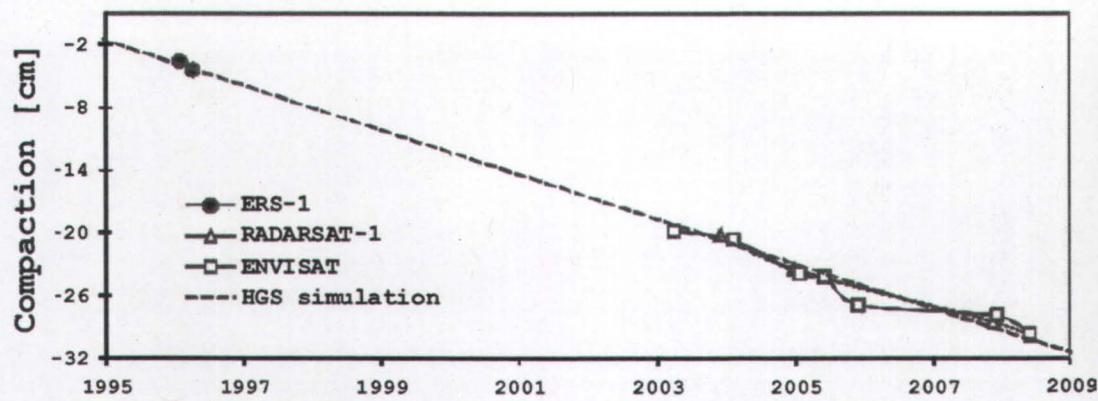


Figure 14: Total compaction at Extensometer-1 measured by ENVISAT ASAR, RADARSAT-1, ERS-1, and simulated by HGS between 1996 and 2008.

Figure 15A shows the HGS compaction result superimposed on a D-InSAR subsidence map for the period from December 5th 2007 to May 28, 2008. Simulations do not exactly match subsidence occurrences however the region of maximum subsidence is in the same location for both methods. Magnitudes are slightly higher with D-InSAR, possibly because the measurements were taken during the dry season, when maximum drawdown and subsidence occurs. Seasonal compaction patterns could have been simulated, however, since there is a growing groundwater deficit over a 50 year period, subsidence occurrences on a larger time scale were preferred.

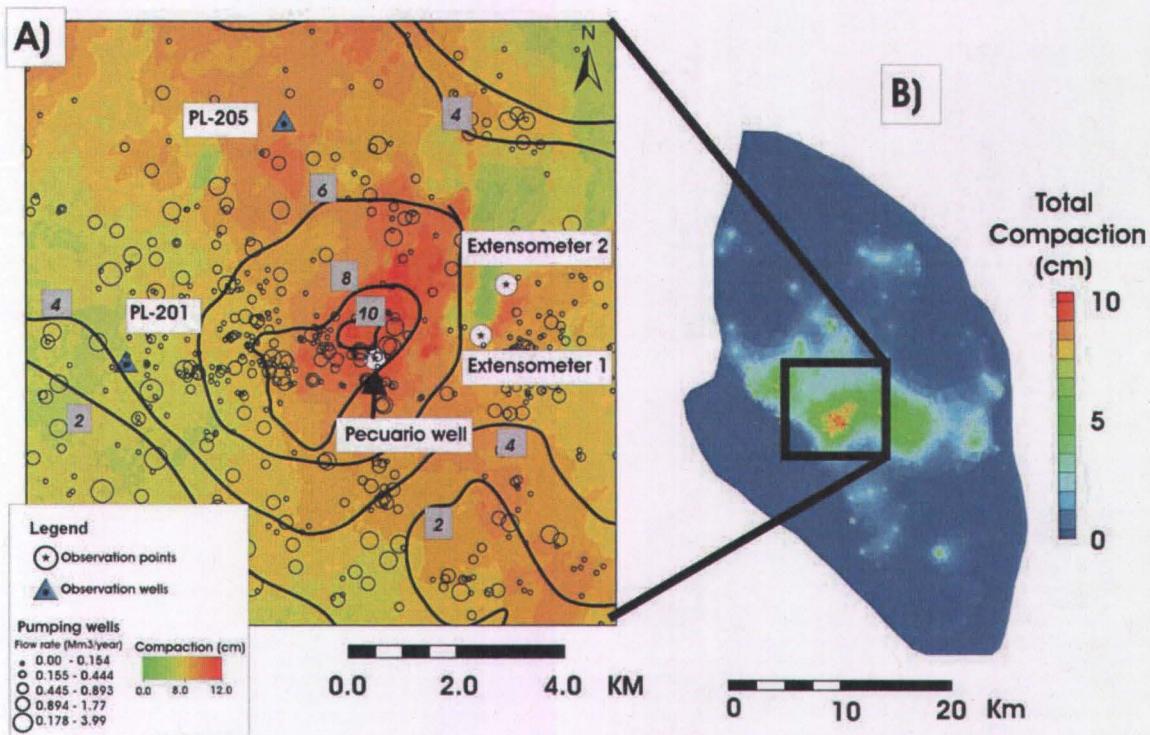
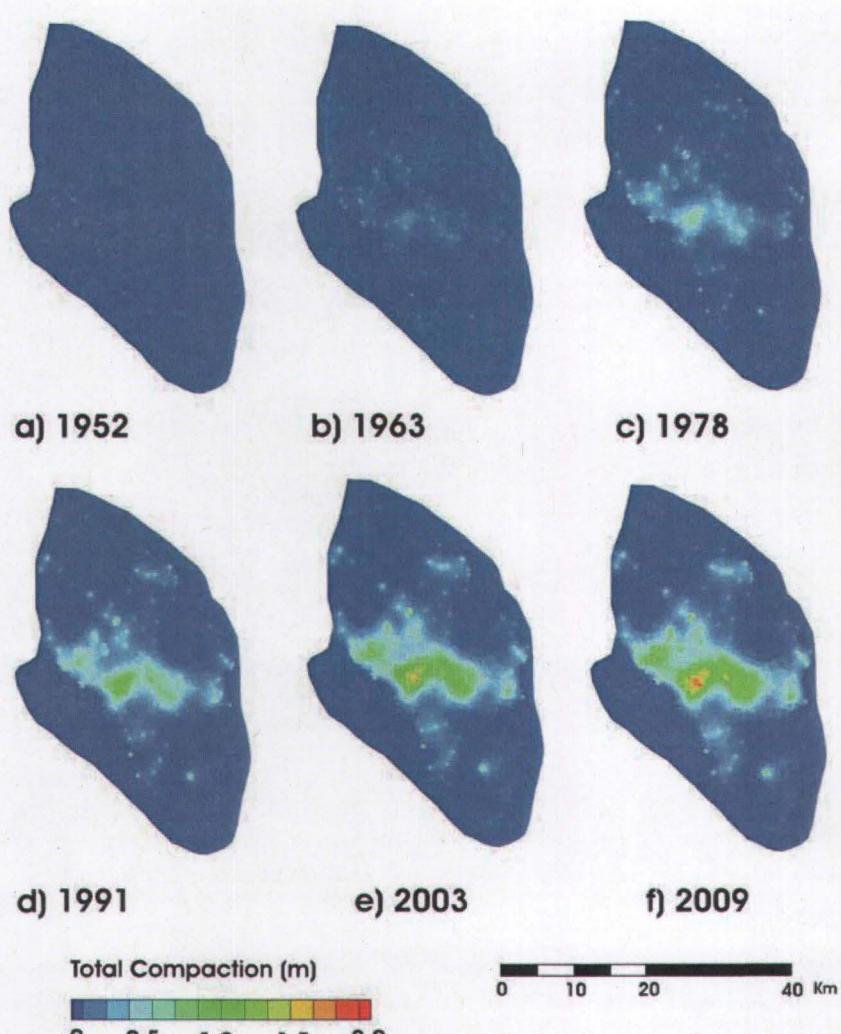


Figure 15: A) HGS simulation (solid black lines) superimposed on D-InSAR subsidence map (colour infilling) in the 175 days from December 5th 2007 to May 28, 2008. Locations of pumping wells with pumping rates are also indicated. Lables for the lines are compaction in cm. B) HGS simulation results for the entire valley for the same time period

The groundwater deficit in the valley first occurred in the early 1960's and has increased steadily ever since. From the simulations, minor compaction occurrences are observed in 1963 (Figure 16) and total compaction reaches 2 metres by 2009. As seen in figures 10-15 the simulation results agree reasonably well with the measured compaction occurrences between 2003 and 2008. There is a lack, however, of regional subsidence data before 2003 with only a handful of studies examining subsidence occurrences in the Toluca Valley over the past 40 years (Consultec, 1978; Figueora, 1990; 2004). These studies are mostly limited to the formation of fractures and none examine regional subsidence. Nevertheless, assuming the model is representative of the groundwater budget and material properties before 2003, it is estimated that the model is also representative of the subsidence occurrences before 2003.



*Figure 16: Evolution of regional land subsidence in the Toluca Valley from 1960 to 2009 simulated with HGS.*

The simulation results agree with increased pumping over time, the subsidence occurrences have proportionally increased and are located in areas where compressible clay thickness is high. Maximum subsidence rates in the valley are in the order of 30 cm/year, however the areas with maximum subsidence are spatially variable (Calderhead et al. 2009a), and thus rate magnitudes will vary in time at a specific location.

## 7 DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

Limitations exist for the new HGS-compaction numerical model in representing subsidence. Both the solution approach and the use of representative data are major

factors in obtaining reliable model results. However, the rapid decrease in head in 2008 (Figure 11) followed 4-5 months later by a rapid compaction rate can lead one to think that the compaction delays in the Toluca valley system are relatively fast compared to other systems (e.g. Mexico City), thus, based on the limited data, an instantaneous compaction representation for the Toluca Valley is acceptable. It should also be noted that what has been defined as clay layers in the model setup often implies interlayering with coarse alluvial deposits, often with relatively thin clay layers, implying that the migration of the pressure head to the surrounding aquifer can be relatively fast. A longer time span of compaction data coupled with hydraulic head information will enhance the understanding of the clay behaviour.

Using the linearized form of the constitutive law introduces representation errors. Leake and Pradic (1991) have estimated the error of this method by comparing the linearized equations of computed compaction with a more complex treatment of computed compaction using  $S'_{skv}$  proportional to  $\log \sigma'_{zz}$ . Their results indicate that using the linearized form overestimates compaction by approximately one-half the percentage increase in effective stress.

The new numerical model has helped in reproducing subsidence of the Toluca Valley. The new HGS-compaction code gives very reasonable estimates for instantaneous subsidence in confined aquifers; however there is room for improving the estimates by including aspects such as dependence on hydraulic conductivity, non-linear deformation, time delays, effects of moving water tables, and extending to a 3D representation of deformation.

The industrial corridor of the Toluca Valley has both compressible clay and heavy groundwater pumping with the model showing up to 2 meters of subsidence occurring over the last 50 years. Although there is a groundwater deficit in the Toluca Valley Basin, the steady increase in the extent and magnitude of regional subsidence is observed from 1952 to 2009. It is found that the upper clay layer of the aquifer system is the most

compressible unit. This information assists in assigning better estimates of the  $S'_{sk}$  values to the system.

Although an extensive groundwater level monitoring system has been in place in the Toluca Valley since the late 1960s, more detailed information on the underlying geologic parameters would greatly enhance the predictive capability of the numerical model. A better 3D geological model could be achieved by including more borehole logs and consolidation tests. According to the InSAR results and the numerical model, it appears that most of the compaction is occurring in the upper 120 m of the aquifer. To enhance confidence, additional extensometers reaching immobile bedrock would increase our confidence in subsidence measurements at specific locations. Benchmarks should also be used to monitor the subsidence. Additionally, a more detailed census on the groundwater pumping tendencies occurring in the Toluca valley would enhance the understanding of groundwater flow. Seasonal subsidence information could be of interest, however, considering that the groundwater levels are in a steady decline, only yearly data has been considered.

While not discussed in detail, the D-InSAR data was very useful, especially in locating areas with significant subsidence and extracting the specific storage ( $S'_{sk}$ ) values from individual layers. InSAR, whether its differential (D-InSAR) or permanent scatter (PS-InSAR), has a large potential for mapping subsidence. The study would have been very difficult to undertake without the satellite data. With a steady increase in the number of InSAR capable satellites being launched, more data and software will likely become available. Although several factors influence the suitability of InSAR use for deformation mapping, the usefulness of InSAR is bound to improve.

Based on the available data, the results appear to be reliable. The multidisciplinary approach of using a 3D geological model, pumping estimates, hydraulic head measurements, D-InSAR, and extensometers to constrain the numerical model enables a very reasonable representation of the system.

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## **Chapitre 5: Groundwater pumping scenarios for minimizing land subsidence in the Toluca Valley, Mexico: tools for policy design**



## Résumé

Des scénarios de gestion des eaux souterraines sont examinés avec l'utilisation d'un modèle tridimensionnel d'écoulement d'eaux souterraines couplé à un module de compaction instantané. Plusieurs scénarios sont examiné dans vallée de Toluca, Mexique en faisant varier 4 paramètres principaux: la recharge, les exportations vers d'autres bassins, la consommation locale, et de la relocalisation des centres de pompage. Il est évident que poursuivre au rythme actuel de consommation d'eau amènera à un affaissement de plus de 1,4 m sur une période de 40 ans (2010-2050). Arrêter complètement les exportations vers la ville de Mexico n'est pas le facteur le plus important dans le contrôle de la subsidence, car le système de pompage se situe principalement dans une région à faible teneur en argile. Toutefois, en diminuant les exportations de la moitié et en déplaçant les centres de pompage à des endroits avec une faible teneur en argile ont un effet positif sur le budget global de l'eau et la subsidence. En se basant sur les résultats de simulations, il semble qu'une grande partie de la subsidence aurait pu être évité s'il y avait une politiques pour limiter le pompage dans les régions avec une concentration élevé de matériaux compressibles (argiles). L'approche adoptée dans cette étude pourrait être appliquée à d'autres régions ayant des problèmes similaires, en vue de déterminer l'option la plus viable pour l'approvisionnement en eau.



# ***Sustainable development and management for minimizing land subsidence of an over-pumped volcanic aquifer system: tools for policy design***

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## **Abstract**

Groundwater management scenarios for the Toluca Valley, Mexico, are examined with a three dimensional groundwater flow model coupled to a one dimensional compaction module. Several scenarios are tested by varying 4 main parameters: recharge, exports to other basins, local consumption, and relocating pumping centers and quantifying their impact on land subsidence in the Valley. It is apparent that continuing at current rates of water consumption will lead to subsidence of over 1.4m over a 40 year period (2010-2050). Completely stopping exports to Mexico City is not the most important factor in controlling subsidence because the pumping system is mostly located in regions with low clay content, where subsidence is lower. However, decreasing exports by half and relocating the pumping centres to low-clay-content areas does have a positive effect on the overall water budget and subsidence. Based on simulation results, it appears that much of the land subsidence could have been avoided had water policies been applied to restrict pumping in regions of compressible materials (clay). The approach taken in this study could be applied to other locations with similar problems in order to determine the most viable option for water supply.

## 1 INTRODUCTION

Growing cities are forced to increase their clean water supply in order to meet the demand from households and industries. When possible, increasing local pumping is an economically viable option. However, a direct consequence of heavy groundwater pumping in aquifers that are in hydraulic connection with thick compressible clays is the formation of fractures and land subsidence. Clay compaction yields to costly infrastructure repair. The Toluca Valley has experienced such problems since it became, in the 1960's, an important fresh water supply for the nearby, effervescent Mexico City.

The Toluca Valley's water resource and land subsidence problems are of interest because the basin was formally seen as an important source of water to the Mexico City basin, yet today the Toluca Valley basin can no longer support its own growth let alone provide for Mexico City's. Exporting water to Mexico City has had a negative outcome in the case of Toluca, however, importing to the Toluca basin could become a viable alternative, if better management practises are taken into account.

The use of numerical models to represent and predict subsidence (e.g. Gambolati 1972; Helm, 1975; Leake and Galloway, 2007) has greatly enhanced the understanding and predictive capabilities of subsiding systems. It should be noted, however, that the theoretical assumptions and modeling approximations combined with a lack of representative geological, geomechanical, and hydraulic data can sometimes lead to numerical predictions that are not always reliable. Nonetheless, the application of consolidation theory to numerical models remains the best approach for examining and predicting subsidence. Studies examining water resource management options (e.g. Rejani et al., 2008; Loukas et al, 2007, Sayan and Yazicigil, 2004) rarely consider land subsidence. Studies that have examined future subsidence (e.g. Rivera, 1991; Ortega-Guerrero et al., 1999; Teatini et al., 2006) usually focus on groundwater pumping as the major factor influencing subsidence. Climate change (e.g. Larson et al., 2001),

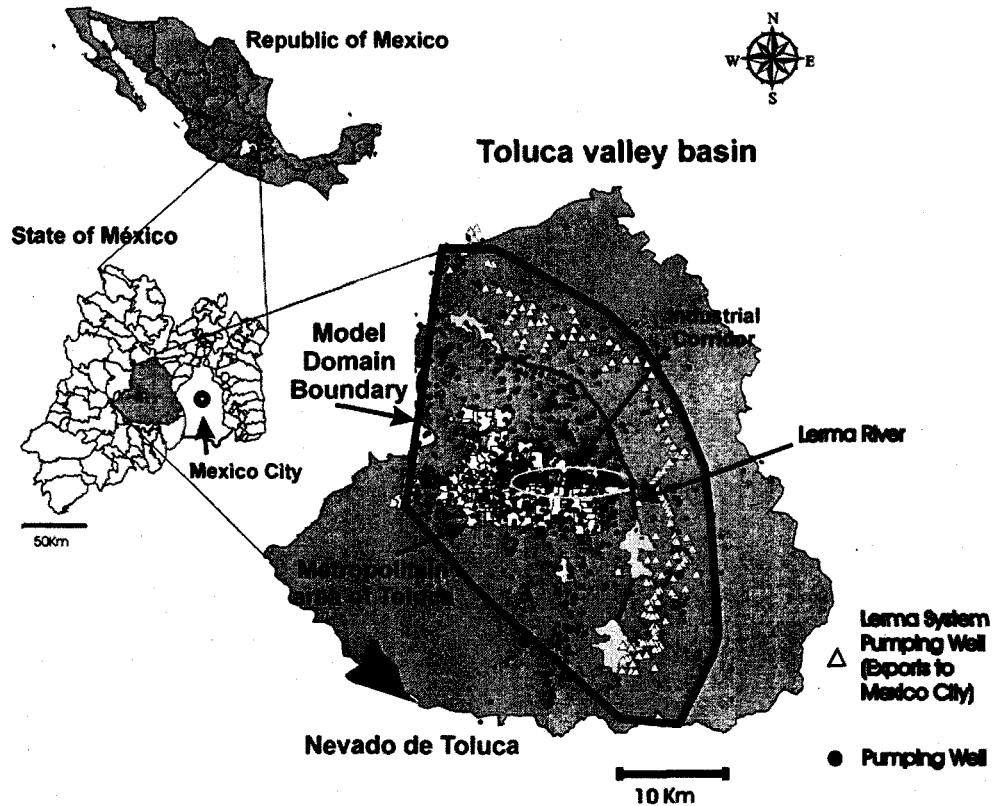
optimizing pumping locations (e.g. Bayer et al 2009), and inter-basin water transfer are rarely considered. No studies have considered a combination of the above factors.

In view of the strategic importance of these resources in the region, and the conflicting evidence of potential impacts of excessive groundwater withdrawals and land subsidence, the main goal of this paper is to develop a groundwater flow/compaction model of the aquifer system based on extensive characterization and calibration studies. The resulting model is then used to evaluate the consequences of alternative groundwater pumping and management scenarios.

The paper uses a previously calibrated finite-element 3D groundwater flow and 1D instantaneous compaction model of the Toluca Valley, Mexico (Calderhead et al., 2009) and simulates various scenarios for determining the extent of land subsidence in the period from 2010 to 2050. The four parameters considered are: varying recharge (with respect to climate change), export/import water volumes to/from adjacent basins, local pumping volumes, and relocating pumping wells within the valley.

### ***Geographic Setting***

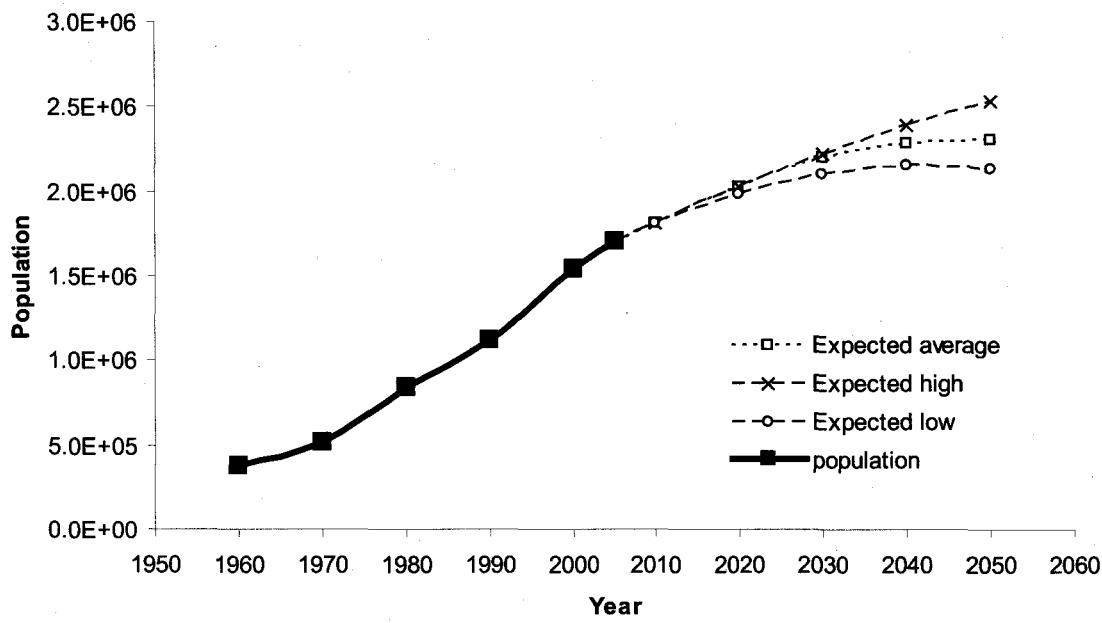
The Toluca Valley basin (Figure 1) covers an area of approximately 2116 km<sup>2</sup> in the south-centre of Mexico. The basin is adjacent to the Mexico City Valley, with the Sierra Las Cruces forming both a topographic and a hydraulic border between the two basins. The Toluca Valley's proximity to Mexico City and rapidly developing infrastructure has allowed the city to grow into a major industrial zone for the country. The industrial corridor (Figure 1) located to the East of downtown Toluca has a high concentration of industrial activity and is the area where most of the subsidence occurs.



*Figure 1: Location map of the Toluca Valley and model domain boundary within the Republic of Mexico and the State of Mexico. Over 935 pumping wells are in operation in the Valley, including the Lerma System wells exporting water to Mexico City. The simulated region boundaries are shown in figures 5 to 8.*

### **Population growth**

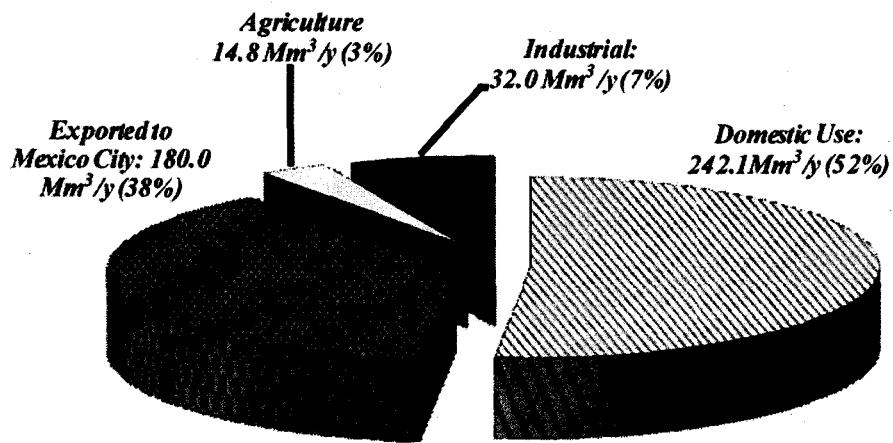
The total population of the Toluca Valley in 2005 was just over 1.7 million people and it is expected to increase to over 2.2 million by 2050 (Figure 2). From 1960 to 2005, the population of the valley has doubled approximately every 20 years (Figure 2). Based on United Nations projections (UNEP, 2008), the population of the valley will reach a plateau around 2050 with a population of approximately 2.2 million people.



*Figure 2: Recorded and expected population of the Toluca Valley from 1960-2050 (based on INEGI, 1960-2005 and UNEP, 2008)*

### ***Hydrogeology and Groundwater pumping***

The Toluca Valley basin consists of two aquifer systems; an alluvial aquifer in the upper portion and a fractured aquifer at the bottom. In the upper aquifer there are layers of clays that induce a local confinement. Before the 1960's, groundwater levels in the Toluca Valley were either near surface or emerged above the land surface (Lesser y Asociados, 1992). Since the late 1960's, Mexico City began importing water on a large scale from other basins, including the Toluca Valley, to accommodate its water shortages. The Toluca Valley has continued to grow over the last four decades and presently, more than 935 pumping wells in the Toluca Valley are pumping over 469 Mm<sup>3</sup>/year (million cubic meters per year) (Calderhead et al., 2009a). Over one third of the total pumping comes from the Lerma system wells: a groundwater pumping system consisting of 396 pumping wells located along the upper section of the Lerma River. The system captures a large portion of the recharge water entering from the Sierra Las Cruces, and is then exported to Mexico City at a rate of approximately 6.0 m<sup>3</sup>/s (CNA, 2007).



*Figure 3: Groundwater use in the Toluca Valley based on IMTA (2003) and modified from Calderhead et al. (2009a)*

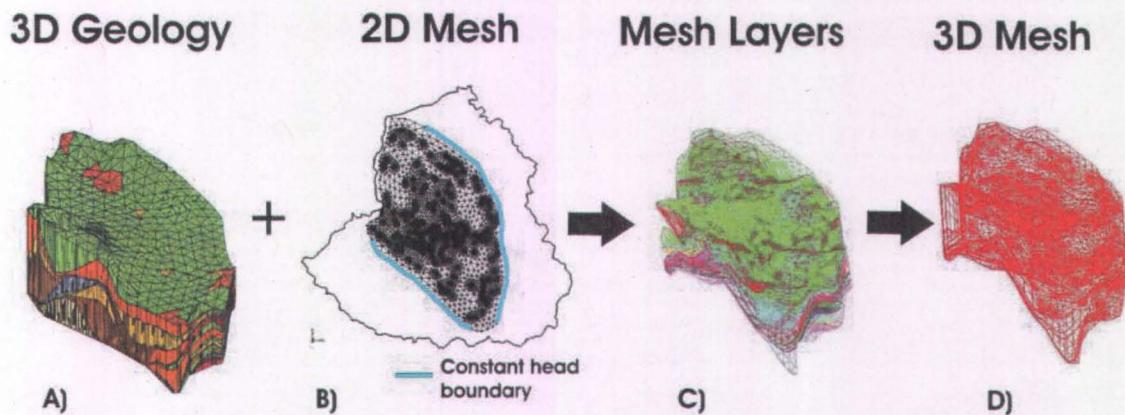
As of the latest water use census (IMTA, 2003), water consumption is divided as follows (Figure 3): The majority of the groundwater pumped is for domestic/household use (52%), the second most important share (38%) is exported to Mexico City (at 6.0 m<sup>3</sup>/s). Industrial (7%), and agricultural (3%) uses presently account for a relatively small percentage of the total volume.

## 2 METHODOLOGY

### *Model setup*

Simulations are based on the previously calibrated 3D-flow and 1-D compaction finite-element numerical model of the Toluca Valley, Mexico (Calderhead et al., 2009c). A 3D geologic model domain (Figure 4A) is created from 211 borehole logs and available cross sections. While preserving the general geologic topography, the generated 34 layers with 10 material types were simplified to 14 layers with 6 material types. The topography of the 14 geologic horizons was sequentially extracted at each node by 15 2D mesh layers. Using the GridBuilder software (McLaren, 2005), the final 2D mesh of 27225 nodes (Figure 4B), representing the horizontal extent of the simulation domain, was generated with a mesh refinement around the location of 167 representative wells. The 3D mesh (Figure 4D) is created by superposing the 15 2D mesh layers in the 3rd dimension (Figure 4C). The 3D mesh has a total of 408375 nodes and 760284 elements. Table 1

presents the boundary conditions, initial conditions, pumping increments, and the solution method. Table 2 presents the material properties for the 14 layers.



*Figure 4: Processing chain for obtaining the 3D finite-element model domain. The 3D geology (A) is generated with the use of borehole logs and available cross sections, then using the 2D mesh (B) and the topography of the geologic layers, 15 topographically variable 2D layer meshes are extracted (C) and used to generate the 3D mesh (D). Location of the constant head boundary is also shown in B. Modified from Calderhead et al., 2009c.*

**Table 1: Problem setup**

SIMULATION SETUP	DESCRIPTION
<b>Boundary Conditions</b>	
Uniform vertical recharge	135 mm/year
Constant head boundary	Nodes at top of layer 1; See Figure 4B for xy location of boundary
<b>Initial conditions</b>	
Hydraulic head	Estimated hydraulic head values from 1950 (based on CNA (2008))
Simulations begin date	January 1 <sup>st</sup> , 1950
<b>Total pumping</b>	
1950-1969	312 Mm <sup>3</sup> /year
1970-1977	346 Mm <sup>3</sup> /year
1978-1993	401 Mm <sup>3</sup> /year
1994-2004	456 Mm <sup>3</sup> /year
2005-2010	494 Mm <sup>3</sup> /year
2011-2020	534 Mm <sup>3</sup> /year
2021-2030	571 Mm <sup>3</sup> /year
2031-2040	599 Mm <sup>3</sup> /year
2041-2050	618 Mm <sup>3</sup> /year
<b>Solution</b>	
Solution method	Picard Iteration
Absolute convergence criteria	1.0e-4
Maximum iteration	15
Initial timestep	1 day
Maximum timestep	100 days

**Table 2: Description of layer material properties for the Toluca Valley (after Calderhead et al, 2009c).**

Layer number (from top to bottom)	Description	Average thickness	Hydraulic Conductivity	Specific Storage	Porosity	Fraction of compressible materials	Elastic skeletal specific storage	Inelastic skeletal specific storage
Layer 1	clays 1	45,9	2,0E-06	7,0E-03	0,40	0,7	9,2E-07	3,7E-06
Layer 2	sand and gravel	18,0	4,0E-04	8,9E-03	0,35	1,00E-04	3,6E-08	1,4E-07
Layer 3	fine grains	16,9	3,0E-05	3,4E-03	0,30	1,00E-04	8,4E-08	3,4E-07
Layer 4	clay 2	2,1	2,0E-06	7,0E-03	0,35	0,7	3,0E-07	4,2E-07
Layer 5	fine grains	17,1	6,0E-05	3,4E-03	0,35	1,00E-04	8,6E-08	3,4E-07
Layer 6	coarse grains	19,0	1,0E-03	4,0E-03	0,35	1,00E-04	3,3E-08	1,3E-07
Layer 7	sand and gravel	10,6	4,0E-04	8,9E-03	0,35	1,00E-04	2,1E-08	8,5E-08
Layer 8	volcanic solids	6,7	6,0E-04	1,7E-03	0,30	1,00E-04	1,7E-12	6,7E-12
Layer 9	clays 3	21,9	5,0E-07	7,0E-03	0,35	0,7	2,1E-07	4,4E-06
Layer 10	conglomerate	7,3	6,0E-05	3,0E-03	0,30	1,00E-04	1,8E-12	7,3E-12
Layer 11	sand and gravel	6,8	4,0E-04	8,9E-03	0,35	1,00E-04	1,4E-08	5,4E-08
Layer 12	clays 4	3,7	6,0E-06	7,0E-03	0,35	0,7	1,9E-07	7,5E-07
Layer 13	fine grains	9,8	6,0E-05	3,4E-03	0,35	1,00E-04	4,9E-08	2,0E-07
Layer 14	sand and gravel	2,0	4,0E-04	8,9E-03	0,35	1,00E-04	4,0E-09	1,6E-08

Focus is placed on projections of four parameters: recharge, pumping volumes for local use, export volumes to Mexico City and/or importing from less populated basins, and relocating pumping wells within the valley. For simplicity, and to avoid excessive computation time, 173 representative wells are used with a relaxed mesh to simulate the more than the 935 pumping wells; and 14 material layers are used to simplify the complex geology of the Toluca Valley (Calderhead et al., 2009c). Pumping rates are representative of the total pumping. Although higher pumping rates from fewer wells can locally lead to a misrepresentation of the drawdown and subsidence, the regional extent of the drawdown and subsidence is generally representative of the observed behaviour (Calderhead et al., 2009c).

Table 3 summarizes the variations of recharge used in the simulations. Projections involved using the HELP3 recharge model of the Toluca Valley (Calderhead et al. 2009a). Recharge was assumed to change as a function of climate change as outlined in the IPCC 2007 report (IPCC, 2007). Historical data and climate change predictions for the area were input into the model from 1970 to 2050 as shown in table 3. Recharge variations are not the focus of this study; for more information on recharge predictions for the Toluca Valley, see Calderhead et al. (2009a).

To consider past pumping volumes of groundwater for local use, historical studies were used (OEE, 1970; Ariel and Consultores, 1996; CNA, 2002; IMTA, 2003) and projections for future consumption were made using several assumptions. Projections of domestic use of groundwater are based on the population growth (INEGI 1960-2005). Over a 40 year period (2010-2050) projected annual population growth rates gradually decrease by 1.36 (1.34 to -0.2) for the average case (UNEP, 2008), 0.34 (1.34 to 1.0) for the worst case, and 1.64 (1.34 to -0.5) for the best case. Pumping for domestic was assumed to increase proportionally to the population increases.

The State of Mexico presently contributes to 9.7% of Mexico's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) (INEGI, 2009). If it is assumed that this percentage remains constant in time and that the Toluca Valley's percentage of GDP remains constant in time, then Toluca's

projected industrial use of water can also be based on Mexico's projected GDP (Hawksworth, 2006). Between 1989 and 1999, agriculture using irrigation fluctuated around 153 000 ha with no significant increase or decrease (INEGI 2001); therefore it is assumed that agricultural use of water remains constant.

Export volumes to Mexico City have not increased in the last 10 years (Legoretta, 1997; CNA, 2007), therefore a constant export volume ( $6.0 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ ) is assumed for the average projection. It is believed that legal action between the State of Mexico and Mexico City (Metropoli, 2008) will deter water exports from the Toluca Valley basin, and even decrease or stop altogether because the state of Mexico will be more protective of its water resources. Toluca and Mexico City are now faced with building new pumping well networks to provide for the growing water demand. As was done with the Toluca Valley over 40 years ago, adjacent basins are being drawn upon to provide for the more populated regions. The upper portion of the Balsas river basin (Systema Cutzamala) and areas around Valle de Bravo are currently being used or are seen as good possibilities to provide for Mexico City and Toluca (GEM, 2000).

Figure 5 shows the simulated pumping wells used for the various scenarios presented in table 4. Clay thicknesses are used to locate desirable areas for moving valley pumping wells (scenarios 7 and 8). The removed valley wells are mostly located in the urbanized part of the valley where clay thickness is high.

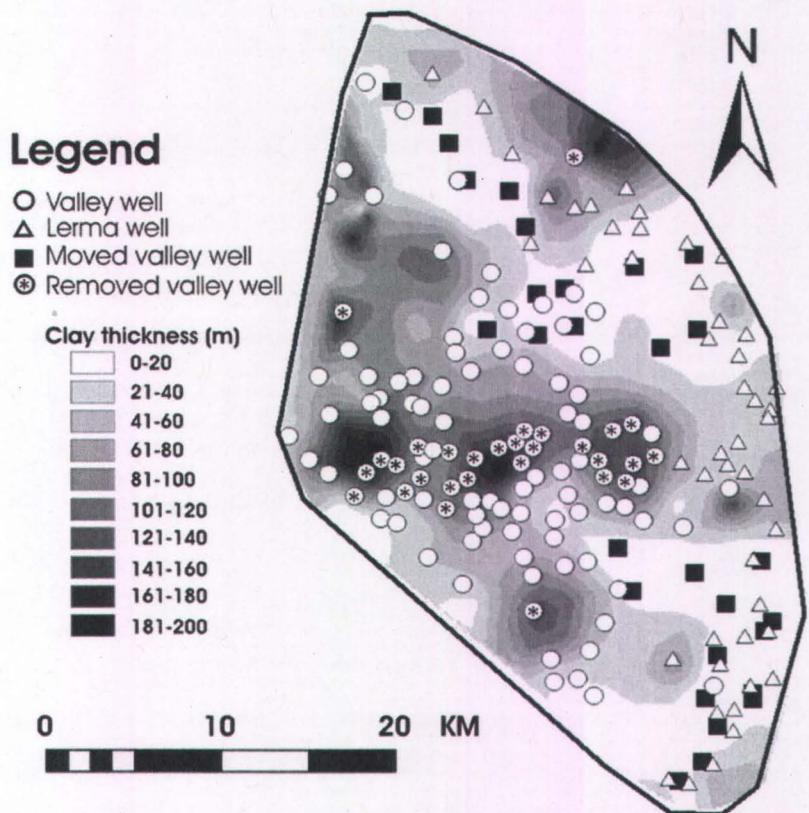


Figure 5: Simulated pumping wells with aggregate clay thickness

Table 3: Summary of the observed and expected groundwater recharge and pumping from 1970 to 2050. '-' implies data is not relevant. Recharge estimates are based on Calderhead et al. (2009a) and IPCC (2007).

Relocation of wells Well locations: See figure 4	Total pumping [Mm <sup>3</sup> /year]	Recharge [Mm <sup>3</sup> /year]	1970	1985	2000	2010	2020	2030	2040	2050
Historical Recharge	Domestic use	Historical	385,0	373,9	376,2	-	-	-	-	-
		Average	-	-	-	373,0	370,0	367,0	364,0	361,0
		Worst case	-	-	-	358,4	340,8	323,2	305,6	288,0
		Best case	-	-	-	377,8	379,6	381,4	383,2	385,0
Exports to Mexico City	Exports to Mexico City	Historical	-157,68	-212,232	-266,8	-	-	-	-	-
		Average	-	-	-	-305,3	-345,6	-382,6	-409,9	-428,7
		Worst case	-	-	-	-248,0	-294,8	-344,8	-398,4	-456,9
		Best case	-	-	-	-396,1	-426,4	-448,9	-461,5	-463,1
Scenarios 1-6 (table 2)	Scenarios 7,8 (table 2)	Scenarios 1-6 (table 2)	current	current	current	current	current	current	current	current
		Scenarios 7,8 (table 2)	current	current	current	moved	moved	moved	moved	moved

The following section explains the different combinations of the parameters in Table 3 that make up the scenarios.

### ***Scenarios***

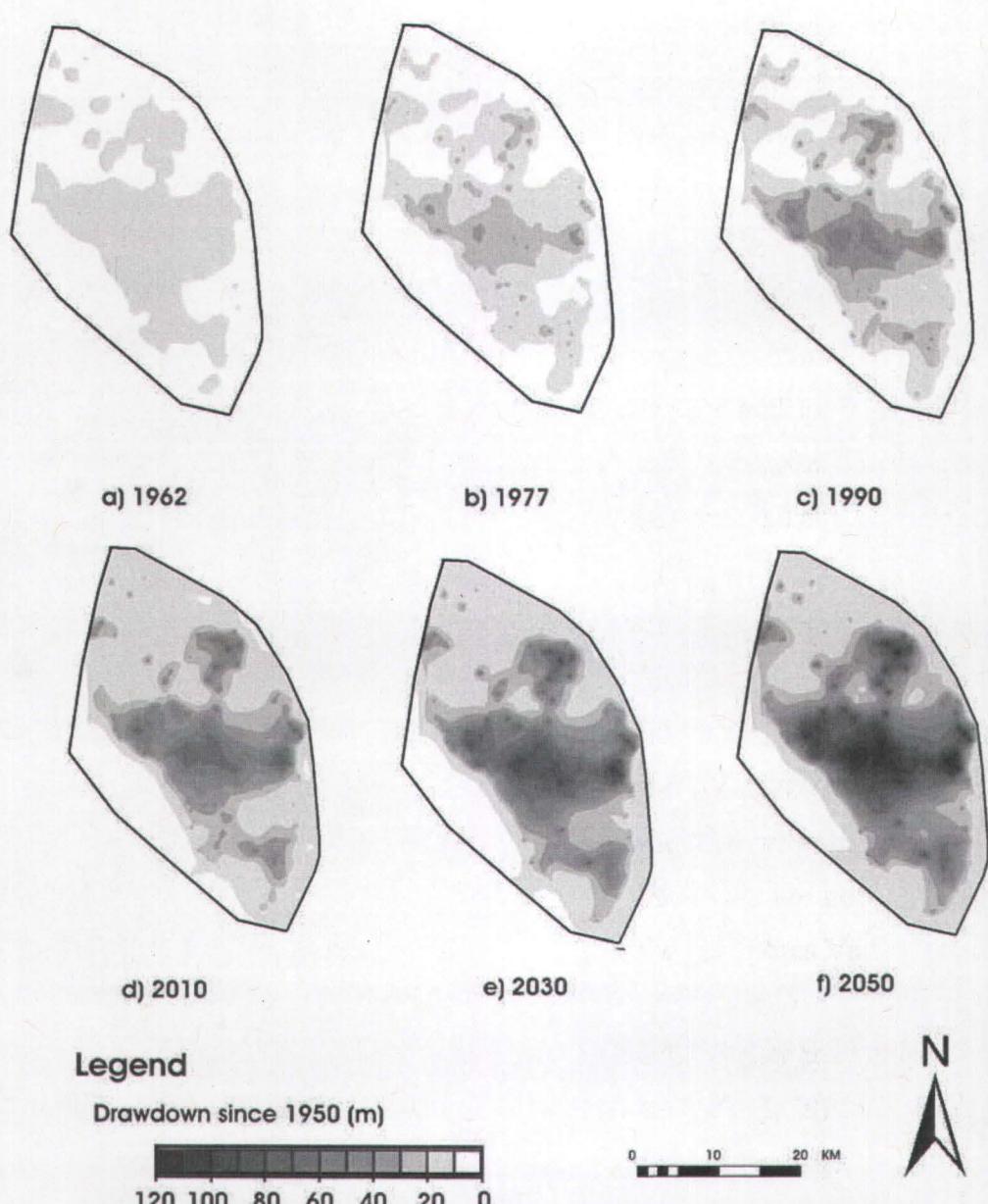
Scenarios 1-3 (Table 4) examine worst case, best case, and average expected values based on table 3. Recharge (based on Calderhead et al., 2009a; and IPCC (2007)) and pumping are assigned their respective scenario based on table 3 with pumping divided into (A) exports to Mexico City and (B) local use. The pumping is divided into these two categories because local pumping is seen more as a function of a growing population whereas exports to Mexico City are largely considered to be a political issue and legal battles could potentially lead to decreasing exports. Exports to Mexico City are expected to increase ( $8 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ ) in the worst case scenario, decrease ( $3 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ ) in the best case scenario and remain constant ( $6 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ ) in the average expected scenario. A probable scenario is that pumping to Mexico City decreases thus scenarios 4 and 5 decrease exports to  $0 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  and  $3 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  respectively while keeping average estimates for all other parameters. Scenario 6 examines the possibility of decreasing pumping in Toluca (-25%) and Mexico City (-50%) to a more sustainable rate. Scenarios 7 and 8 make use of the clay thickness model (Figure 5) for moving pumping wells in areas with high clay content to areas with lower clay content. Scenario 7 assumes average expected pumping and scenario 8 decreases pumping rates to scenario 6 values. By decreasing pumping for local use within the valley, scenarios 6 and 8 imply inter-basin water transfer from surrounding basins.

**Table 4: Pumping scenarios 2010-2050**

Scenario	Lerma pumping (to Mexico City)	Toluca Pumping	Recharge	Description
1	33% increase	worst case	worst case	Worst case expected with 33% increased Lerma pumping
2	50% decrease	best case	best case	Best case expected with 50% decrease in Lerma pumping
3	constant at 6m <sup>3</sup> /s	average	average case	Average case with Lerma pumping constant at 6m <sup>3</sup> /s
4	Stop Lerma pumping (0m <sup>3</sup> /s)	average	average case	Average case with stopping Lerma pumping
5	50% decrease	average	average case	Average case with a 50% decrease in Lerma pumping
6	50% decrease	decrease by 25%	average case	Decrease Lerma pumping by 50% and decrease Toluca Basin pumping by 25%
7	constant at 6m <sup>3</sup> /s	average	average case	Move pumping centres to locations with less clay (see figure 4)
8	50% decrease	decrease by 25%	average case	Move pumping centres to locations with less clay (see figure 4) and decrease Toluca Basin pumping by 25% and Lerma Pumping by 50%

### 3 RESULTS

Figure 6 presents the drawdown distribution, beginning from 1950 levels, for scenario 3 between 1962 and 2050. The regional drawdown began around 1962 and increases over the years because of the increasing groundwater budget deficit. By 1990 there is already a marked drawdown of over 40 m in the centre of the valley. This progresses significantly over the following 60 years by increasing to over 120 m, in the industrial corridor, by 2050. The simulated groundwater level decline between 1970 and 2009 agrees quite well with observed field data (Calderhead et al., 2009c).



*Figure 6: Simulated drawdown from 1950 levels in the valley between 1962 and 2050 (scenario 3).*

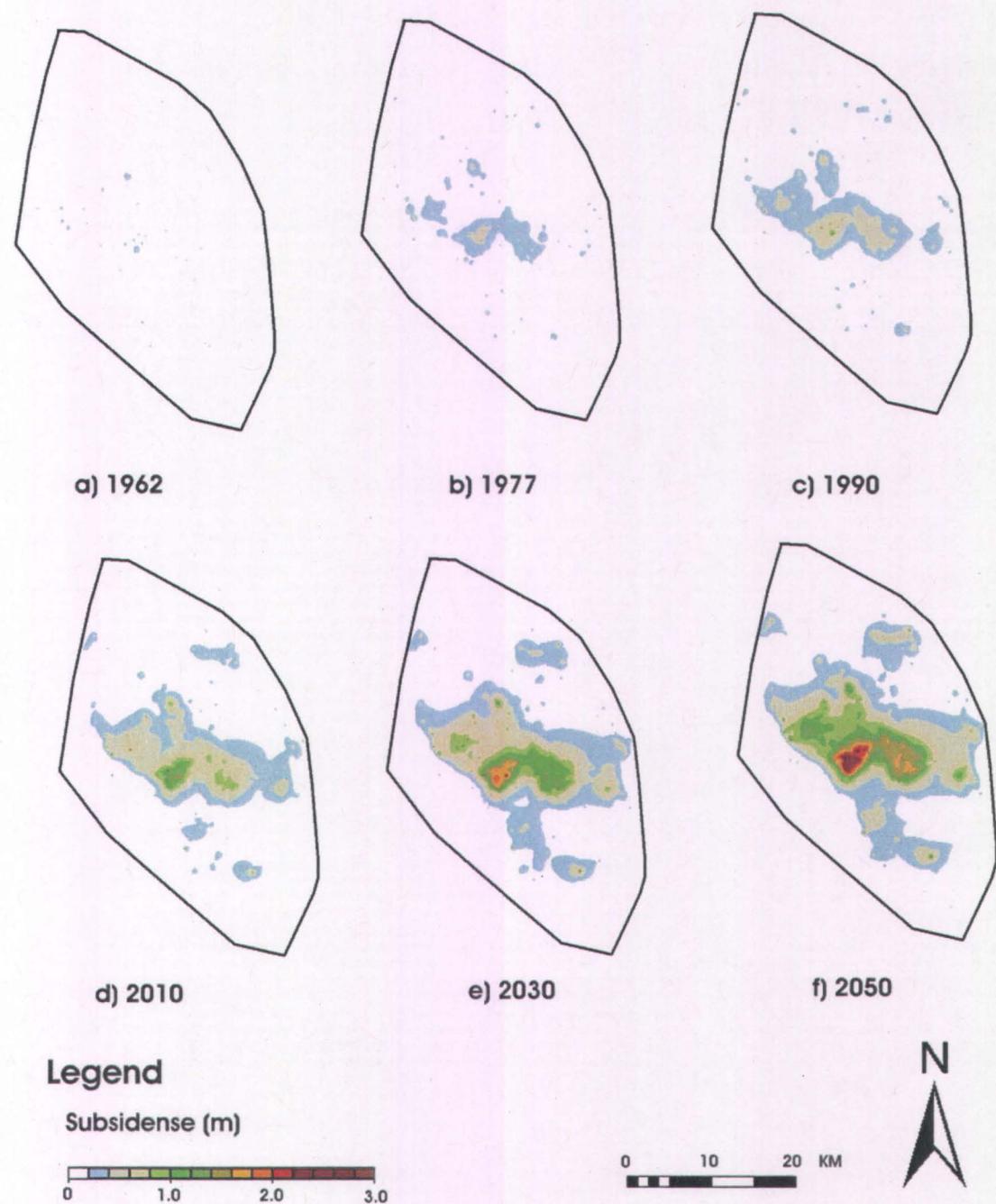


Figure 7: Total subsidence distribution between 1962 and 2050 (scenario 3).

Figure 7 shows the progression of total subsidence occurrences in the Toluca Valley. Results from 1962 to 2050 are based on the average expected scenario (scenario 3). Simulations begin in 1950 and only small occurrences of subsidence (< 0.4 m) are

observed in 1962. The occurrences are progressively larger from that point on and reach a maximum total subsidence of 3.8 m in 2050. The area of maximum subsidence is located in the industrial corridor (Figure 1) where high pumping rates, high drawdown, and thick compressible clay layers are observed.

Although very few studies have examined regional land subsidence in the Toluca Valley, remote sensing techniques and field data were used to calibrate the model (Calderhead et al., 2009b and Calderhead et al., 2009c) giving more confidence in the 2010 case (Figure 7d).

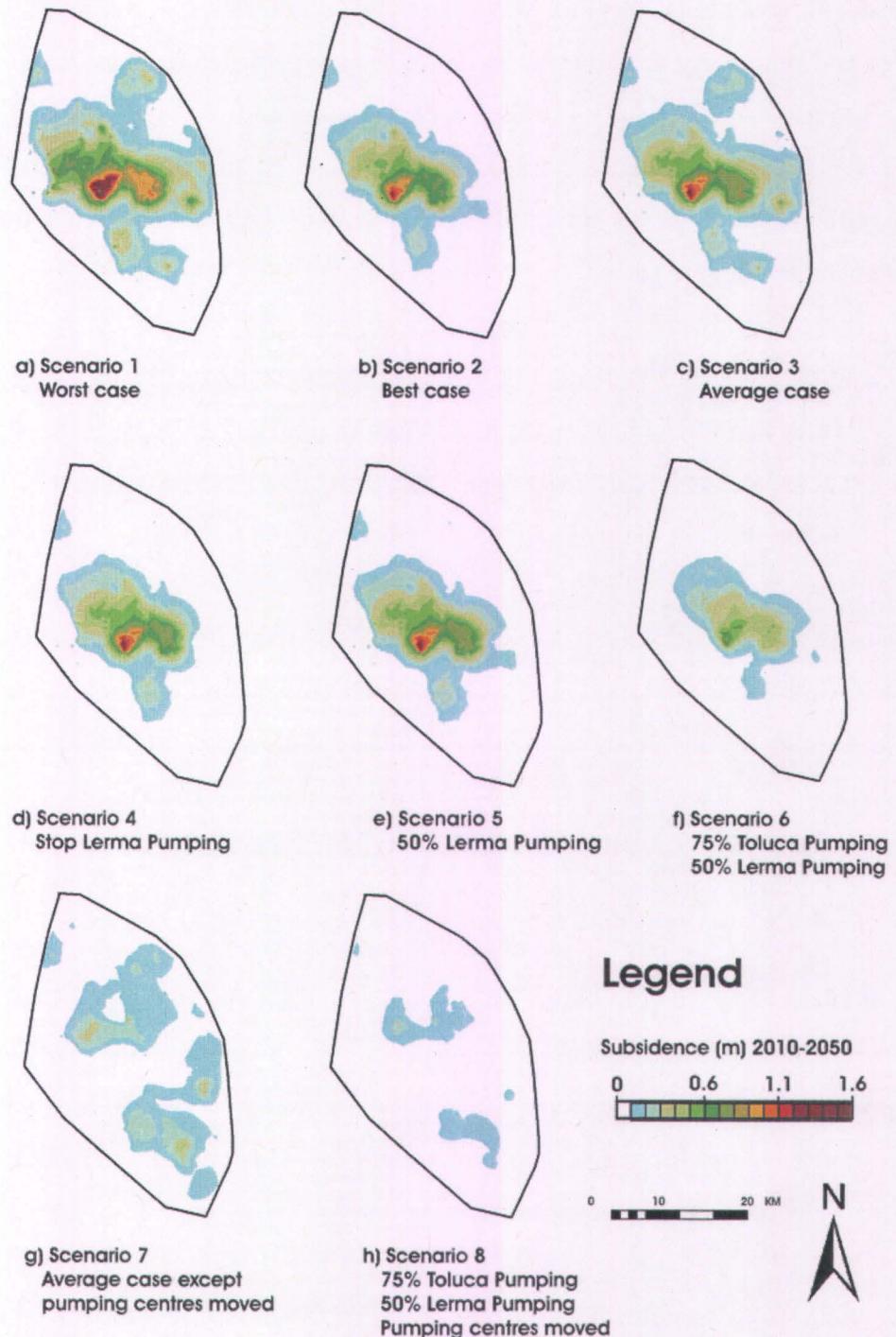


Figure 8: Simulation results for scenarios 1-8 showing total subsidence between 2010 and 2050.

Although pumping began before the 1960's it is estimated that regional land subsidence did not begin until heavy water exporting began in the late 1960's.

Figure 8 presents the total compaction results between 2010 and 2050 for the 8 scenarios. Scenarios 1-3 demonstrate the effects of worst, best, and average case scenarios for the climate change and pumping parameters. Maximum total subsidence reaches 2.2 m for the worst case scenario (scenario 1), 1.4 m for the best case scenario (scenario 2), and 1.6 m for the average expected subsidence (scenario 3). Compared to other scenarios, the spatial extent of the affected area is similar and the differences in subsidence magnitude are within 0.8 m for the 40 year period.

Comparing scenarios 3, 4 and 5 is of interest. There are only subtle differences between stopping exports (scenario 4) and cutting exports in half (scenario 5). However, there are noticeable differences between constant exports (scenario 3) and cutting exports in half (scenario 5).

The most marked change in subsidence occurs when moving the pumping centres (scenarios 7 and 8) away from compressible clays. Total compaction can be drastically reduced by simply moving the pumping centres to different locations within the valley. The most desirable results (scenario 8) show a localized maximum subsidence of < 0.3 m in 2050, otherwise there is only limited subsidence throughout the valley.

#### 4 DISCUSSION

It is possible that the theoretical assumptions and modeling approximations, combined with a lack of representative geological, geomechanical, and hydraulic data has lead to unreliable numerical predictions. However, the calibration process for the Toluca valley flow and subsidence model (discussed more thoroughly in Calderhead et al., 2009c), increases our confidence in the simulation results.

Although the major factors controlling subsidence were varied in the simulations, for simplicity, some parameters that have an influence (e.g. geomechanical properties, extent of clay layers) were not varied. There is also uncertainty in the chosen parameters. For instance the population growth is based on UN estimates for the country. An earthquake

or a volcanic eruption in the valley would greatly throw off the population growth curve; hence the results should be viewed with caution.

Climate change plays only a minor role in the occurrence of subsidence (Table 3). The most important parameters controlling subsidence are export volumes to Mexico City, local pumping volumes, and relocating pumping wells within the valley. It is apparent that continuing at the current rates of water consumption will lead to more subsidence. Even in the best case scenario (scenario 2), maximum subsidence occurrences over a 40 year period (2010-2050) will reach 1.4 m.

Considering that the system pumping groundwater to Mexico City is mostly located in regions with low clay content and little difference is observed between scenarios 4 and 5, completely stopping exports to Mexico City (scenario 4) is not necessary for controlling the subsidence. However, decreasing exports by half, decreasing domestic-use pumping, and relocating wells, does have a positive effect on the overall water budget and subsidence. It can be argued that all scenarios will require inter-basin water transfer at a later date because the water budget deficit is not sustainable.

Importing water from adjacent basins becomes necessary when decreasing pumping within the valley. However, inter-basin water transfer alone is not sufficient for controlling the subsidence. It is shown that a very effective way of controlling subsidence is by relocating the pumping centres to other locations with low clay content. Had pumping not occurred in the in the most compressible layers and a pumping system been in place to pump water to the urbanized part of the valley, much of the land subsidence could have been avoided. When planning water imports to the Toluca Valley from untapped basins, one could learn from the past and avoid drilling new wells in locations with thick compressible clay units - whether for exporting or local use.

It is probably not feasible to stop, or even decrease, pumping in the urbanized part of the valley. A costly infrastructure project would be required to import the water into the basin and supply the water to users in the urbanized part of the valley. Considering the

likelihood of pumping continuing at current or greater rates, wells within the valley will probably be drilled to greater depths, further tapping the non-renewable resources and drawing on deeper, less potable water.

Simulating scenarios with the numerical model is a viable tool when considering water management for limiting subsidence occurrences. The approach can be useful to other cities currently considering expanding their water supply and results can be used by decision makers for better management practices.

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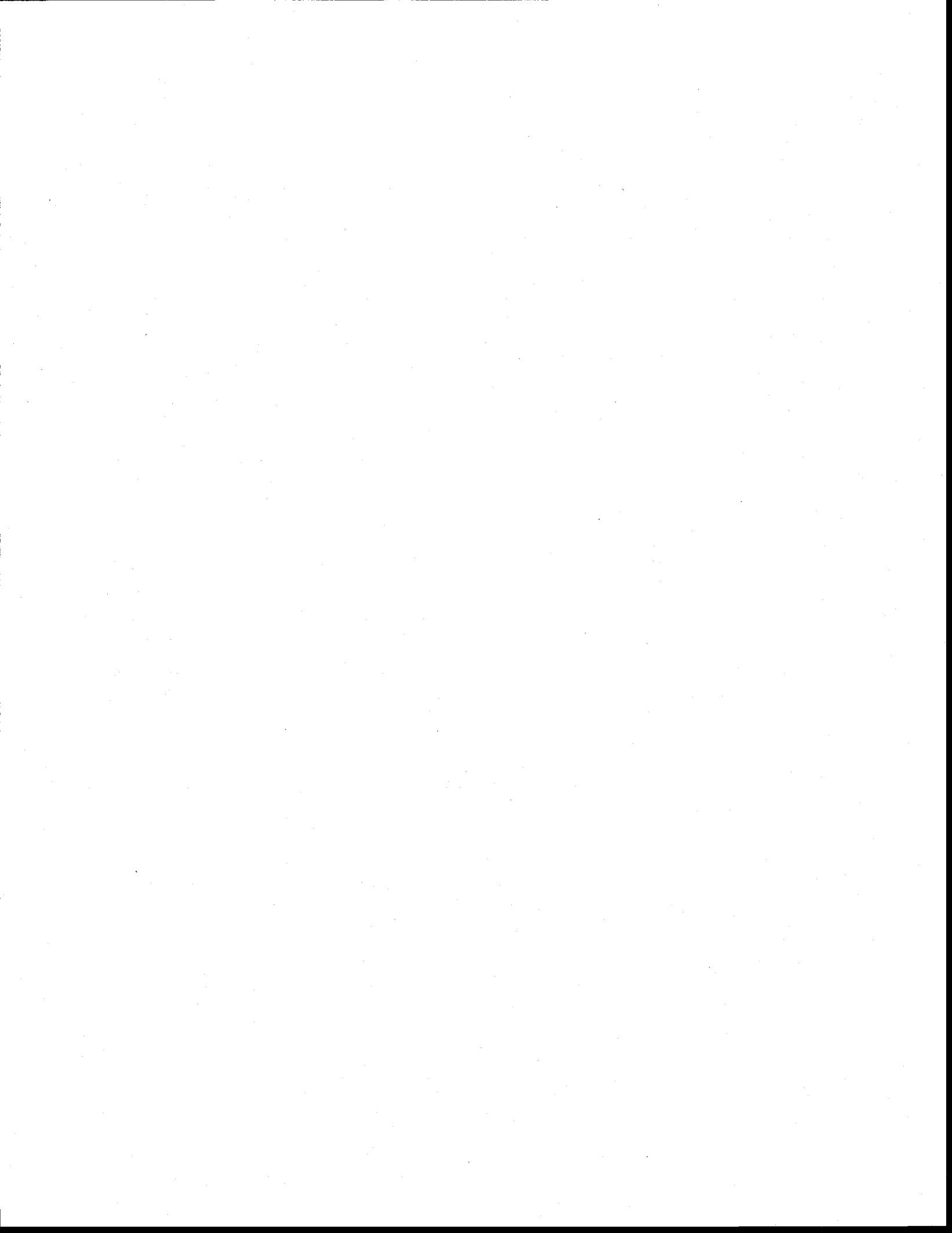
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## **ANNEXES**



## **ANNEXE A – ARTICLES DE CONFÉRENCES**



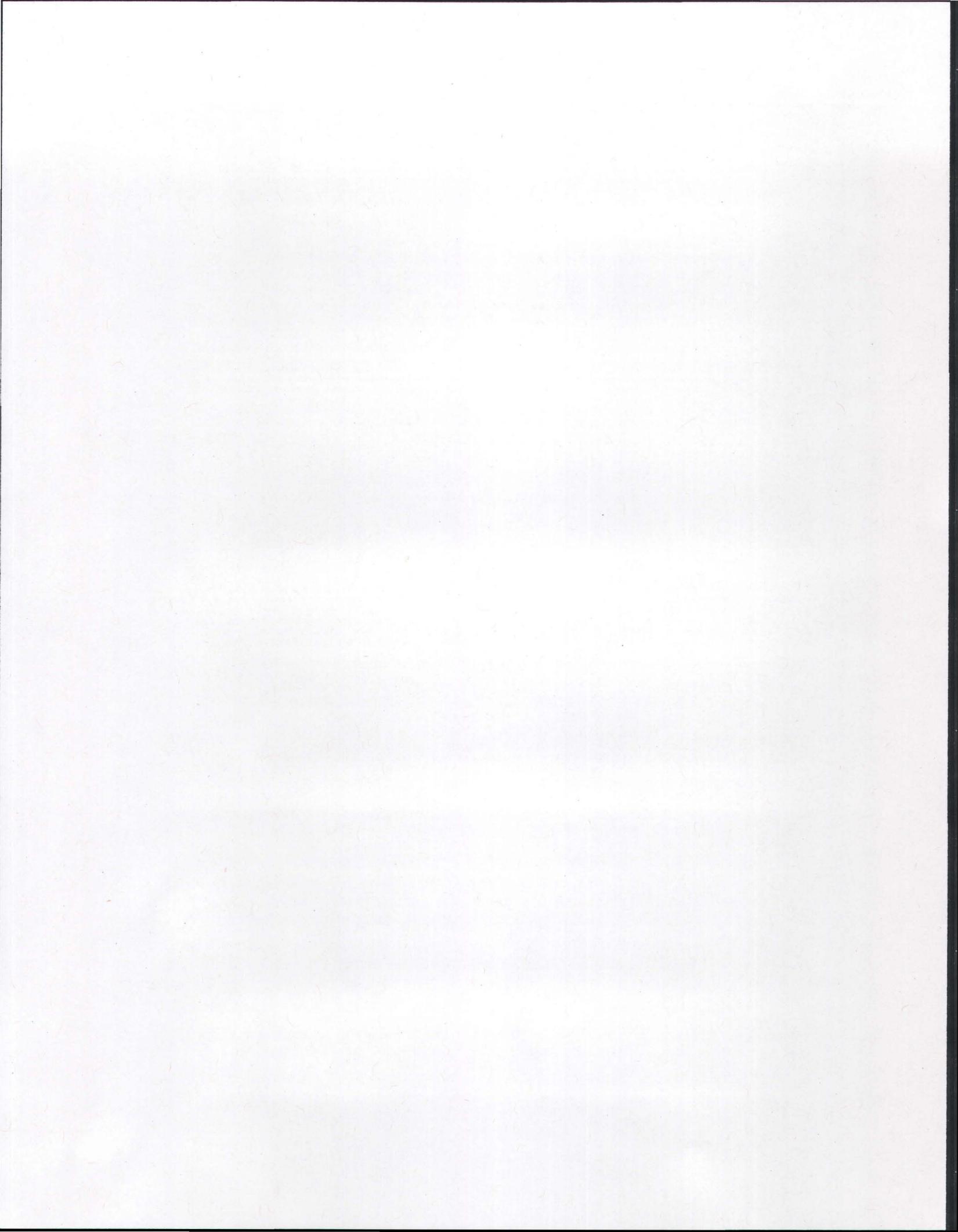
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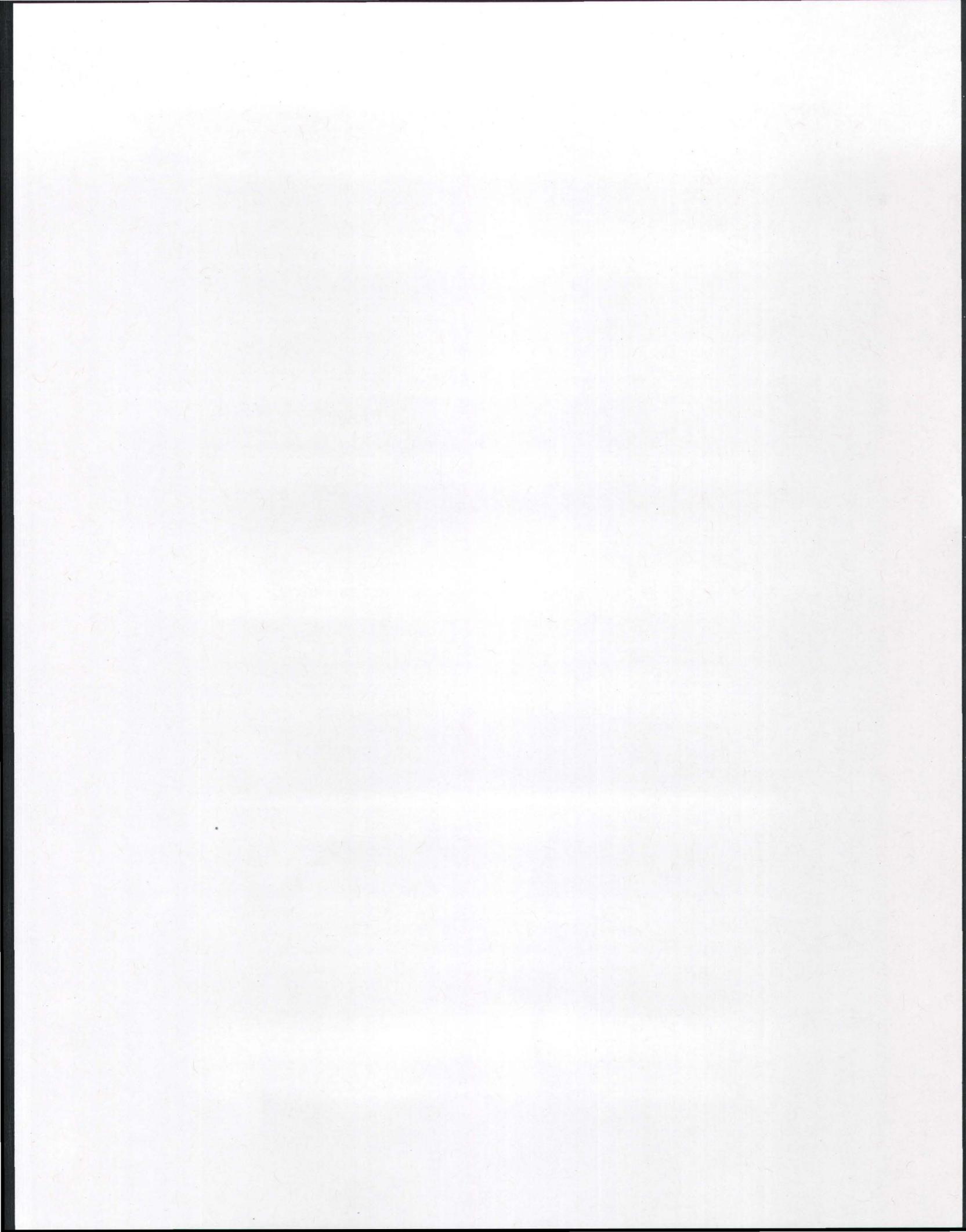


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## **ANNEXE B** *Résumé des modèles numériques couplés*



## Annexe B: Summary of coupled groundwater flow and compaction numerical models

Author	Model Name	Variables in space			Numerical method		Constitutive Relation	Case study	Verified
		aquifer	aquitard	deformation	flow	deformation			
Gambolati (1972)		N/a			-	N/A(linear)	compressibility	Venise	No
Gambolati et al. 1973,1974		X ,Y	Z	Z	FE	DF (linear)	compressibility		Yes
Helm (1975)	COMPAC	Z	Z	Z	FD	DF (non linear)	Terzaghi		Yes
Trescot et al. (1976)		X ,Y	-	-	FD	n/a (linear)	-	none	No
Narasimhan and Witherspoon (1977)		X ,Y	Z	Z			Terzaghi		
Safai, and Pinder (1979)		X ,Y,Z			FE				
Newman et al (1982)	FLUMPS	X ,Y			FE	FE (non linear)		California	
Gambolati et al. (1986)	MAINFLW	X ,Y	Z	-	FE	n/a (linear)	-	none	No
Chorley and Frind (1978)	-	X ,Y	Z	-	FE	n/a (linear)	-	none	Yes
Herrera et al. (1976) (1977) (1981)	-	X ,Y	Z	-	FE	n/a (linear)	-	-	No
Verrijjt and Barends (1987)	-	n/a	Z	Z	n/a	FE (linear)	Terzaghi	none	Yes
Lewis and Shrefler (1987)	PLASCON	X ,Y	Z	X ,Y	FE	FE (non linear)	Biot	Venice	No
Bear and Corapcioglu (1981) (1982)	-	X ,Y	X ,Y	X ,Y	N/A	N/A (linear)	-	none	No
Cruikshank (1984)		X ,Y	Z	-	FD	FD (non linear)	-	Pixley	No
Rivera et al. (1991)	NEWSAM	X ,Y	Z	Z	FD	FD (non linear)	Terzaghi	Mexico	Yes
Leake and Pradic, (1991)	IBS1(MODFLOW)	X ,Y	Z	Z	FD	FD (non linear)	Terzaghi	many	Yes
Shrefler and Zhan (1993)	-	X ,Y	X ,Y	X ,Y	FE	FE (non linear)	Biot	none	Yes

Teatini, Gambolati & Tosi (1995)		X,Y,Z	Z	Z	FE	FE (non linear)	Terzaghi	Venice	yes
Yeh et al. (1996)	-	X,Y	X,Y	X,Y	FE	FE (non linear)	Biot	none	Yes
Shearer (1998)	IDP (MODFLOW)	X,Y	Z	Z	FD	FD (non linear)	Terzaghi	Hangu, China	Yes
Guvanasesan and Chan (2000)	MOTIF	X,Y,Z	X,Y,Z	X,Y,Z	FE	FE	Biot	none	Yes
Lipnikov (2002)	-	X,Y	X,Y	X,Y,Z	FE/FD	FE/FD	Biot	None	No
Chen et. al. (2003)		X,Y,Z	Z	Z		FD	Terzaghi	Suzhou, China	Yes
Hoffmann et al. (2003b)	SUB (MODFLOW 2000)	X,Y	Z	Z	FD	FD	Terzaghi	Many	Yes
Leake and Galloway (2007)	SUB-WT	X,Y	Z	Z	FD	FD	Terzaghi	Many	Yes
Liu and Helm (2008)		X,Y	Z	Z	FD	FD	Terzaghi		Yes
This thesis	HydroGeoSphere	X,Y,Z	Z	Z	FE	FE (non linear)	Terzaghi	Toluca	Yes

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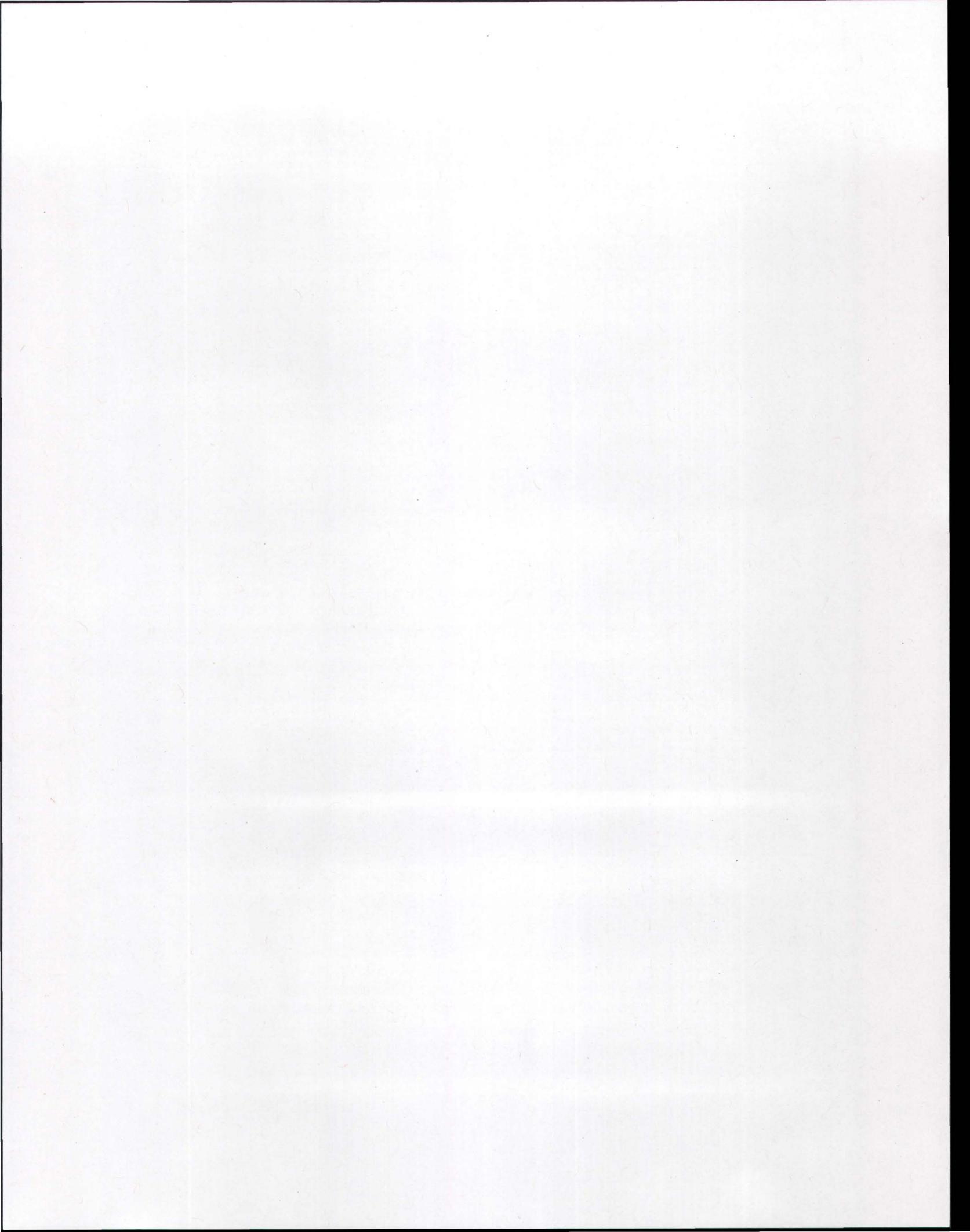
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## **ANNEXE C – Autres travaux de terrain**



## **ANNEXE C : Autres travaux de terrain fait dans le contexte de monitoring à long terme mais pas présenté dans les résultats de cette thèse.**

Même si les résultats de certains travaux de terrain ne sont pas complètement utilisés dans cette thèse, l'étudiant, l'INRS, la CNA, ainsi que l'UAEM ont collaboré pour installer deux puits d'observation ainsi qu'un système de capteur de pression automatique. Les résultats de ces travaux ne sont pas présenté dans cette thèse, par contre les travaux seront utile pour la population de la vallée à long terme.

### **Installation de deux puits d'observation ainsi qu'un système de capteur de pression automatique**

Deux puits d'observation ont été installés dans la vallée de Toluca pour complémenté la base de donne sur le système de multi-piézomètres (CNA, 2008) et font partie du réseau de capteurs de pression automatique décrite plus bas. Ces donnes assisteront aux mesures de la recharge, l'extraction d'eau souterraine, ainsi que le comportement hydrique dans la vallée de Toluca. Les deux puits ont été installés dans des endroits géographiquement opposé dans la vallée. Le puits de Santiago Tianguistenco (figure 1) se situe au sud est du bassin et le puits du CIRA (figure 3) se situe dans la partie nord-ouest du bassin. Dans les deux cas, les forages ont atteint 80 m de profondeur et la partie ouverte permettant l'entré d'eau a 40 m de longueur commençant a 40 m de profondeur.

De plus, l'équipe de la CNA et l'étudiant ont installé un réseau de capteur de pression automatique pour prendre des mesures de niveau d'eau à toutes les 12 heures. Ces capteurs de pression serviront à évaluer les niveaux d'eau dynamique dans la vallée. Les capteurs ont été installées dans des ancien puits de production par contre avant la mise en place des capteurs ces puits ont été inspectés à l'aide d'une camera vidéo (figure 5) afin de vérifier l'intégrité du tubage d'acier et l'état général des parois.

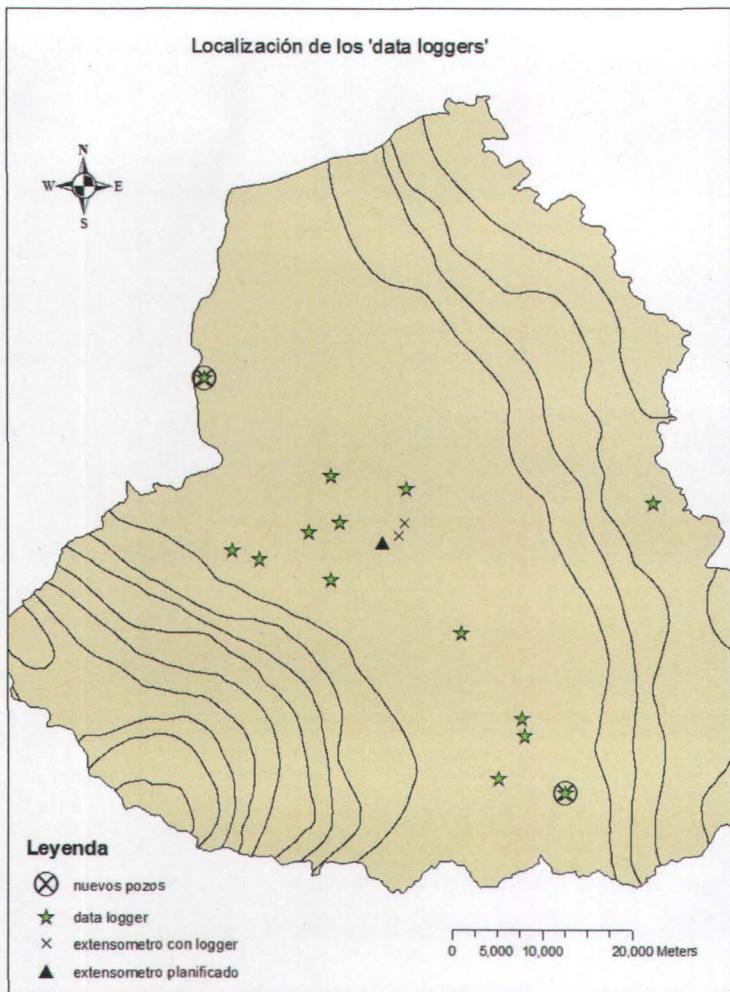


Figure 1 : Distribution du réseau de capteur de pression dans la Vallée de Toluca

La plupart des capteurs de pression sont distribué dans les plaines de la Vallée de Toluca, qui couvre une superficie d'environ 2100 km<sup>2</sup> et se situe à une altitude d'environ 2650 m. Le réseau de capteurs de pression fournit de l'information importante sur la recharge ainsi que les baisses de niveau d'eau dans la vallée. La CNA planifie d'ajouter d'autres capteurs de pression au réseau. Les extensomètres qui contiennent des capteurs de pression sont aussi indiqués par une croix. La localisation l'altitude et la profondeur sont compilé au tableau 1.

Tableau 1 : La localisation, l'altitude, et la profondeur des puits du système d'acquisition de pression automatique.

Nombre del pozo		Localización (UTM)		Altitud (masl)	Well depth (m)	fecha	nivel del agua (ref bara) (m)	dist. entre bara y brocal (m)	nivel del agua (ref bara) (m)	# del logger	profundidad del logger abajo del nivel de agua (m)	distancia entre bara y logger (m)	Altitud of logger (masl)	frequency of data collection	
PMPA-14	CIRA	425073	2144992	2661	80	12-janv-06	19,885	0,1	19,985	SN (CIRA/INRS)	-7,605	27,49	2653	cada 12 horas, empieza al 0:00:00	
PMPA-06	Barcel	432610	2133658	2630	101	11-janv-06	30,08	0,05	30,13	SN (CNA)	-35	65,08	2595	cada 12 horas, empieza al 0:00:00	
PMPA-03	DGCOH 51-A	448413	2118942	2588	31	18-janv-06	21,504	0,05	21,554	SN 51498 (CIRA/INRS)	-7	28,504	2559,5	cada 12 horas, empieza al 0:00:00	
PMPA-04	DGCOH 44-A	448202	2120249	2586	114	18-janv-06	28,92	0,039	28,959	SN 48134 (CNA)	-20	48,92	2536	cada 12 horas, empieza al 0:00:00	
PMPA-12	San Miguel Totoltepec	439761	2136995	2595	99,5	19-janv-06	37,571	0	37,571	SN 48091 (CNA)	-20	57,571	2538	cada 12 horas, empieza al 0:00:00	
PMPA-13	San Cristobal Huichochitlan	434237	2137905	2614	73	19-janv-06	41,235	0,045	41,28	SN 48145 (CNA)	-20	61,235	2553	cada 12 horas, empieza al 0:00:00	
	San Carlos, Metepec	434222	2130367	2635	67,6	19-janv-06	64,43	not applicable	64,43	SN 08395 (CIRA/INRS)	-2,57	67	2568	cada 12 horas, empieza al 0:00:00	
PMPA-11	Celanece	434855	2134561	2626	85,43	21-janv-06	71,135	0,089	71,224	SN 48106 (CNA)	-10	81,135	2545	cada 12 horas, empieza al 0:00:00	
PMPA-09	San Buenaventura	429011	2131870	2705	132	21-janv-06	38,193	0,055	38,248	SN 48147 (CNA)	-20	58,193	2647	cada 12 horas, empieza al 0:00:00	
PMPA-02	DGCOH 75-A	446517	2115861	2575	123	2006-01-26	18,335	0,07	18,405	SN 48104 (CNA)	-20	38,335	2575	cada 12 horas, empieza al 0:00:00	
PMPA-05	Marquesa	457855	2135953	3033	>200 m	2006-01-26	143,15	0	143,15	SN 48136 (CNA)	-20	163,15	2870	cada 12 horas, empieza al 0:00:00	
PMPA-1	Santiago Ocatenco	451355	2114805	2635	80	2006-03-06	30,685	0,075	30,76	SN 44943 (CIRA/INRS)	-7	37,685	2598	cada 12 horas, empieza al 0:00:00	
PMPA-10	Lodo Prieto	426999	2132502	2735	173	31/05/2007	brocal		52,71		30,57	83,28		cada 12 horas, empieza al 0:00:00	
PMPA-07	Izcalli Cuahutemoc	443779	2126472	2580	140	2006-02-09		43,61		43,61	(CNA)	-20	63,61		cada 12 horas, empieza al 0:00:00
PMPA-16	Extensometer 1 Casa San Pedro	439666	2134469	2660	132	2006-11-15	--	--	42,551	CIRA				cada 12 horas, empieza al 0:00:00	
PMPA-15	Extensometer 2 (Coca-Cola)	439197	2133532	2631	120	2006-07-10	--	--	32,79	CIRA	6.59 (6 junio 2007)			cada 12 horas, empieza al 0:00:00	
PMPA-14	CIRA (barometro)	425073	2144992	2661	80	12-janv-06	19,885	0,1		SN (CIRA/INRS)	9,915	9,97	2651	every 12 hours stratiing at 0:00:00	
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## **ANNEXE D – Résultats des tests de consolidation**





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Por este conducto, le informo a usted que a la fecha se han concluido los trabajos de campo y laboratorio del primer sondeo ubicado en el BORDO DE CONFINAMIENTO DE LA LAGUNA, ALMOLOYA DEL RÍO, para el proyecto de Investigación Universidad de Québec-FICIRA-UAEM, a cargo del Dr. Jaime Garfias.

Únicamente se realizó el ensayo en una de las tres muestras obtenidas, debido a que se localizaron arenas limosas en dos de ellas.

Es importante indicar que la muestra ensayada es de un Limo de Alta Compresibilidad. No se localizaron arcillas en el sondeo realizado. Los valores de LL e IP están fuera de los rangos considerados para el Índice de compresión (Cc), con el que se pretenden correlacionar, según lo tratado en la tesis de licenciatura "Determinación del esfuerzo de corte de los distintos tipos de arcilla del Valle de Toluca, bajo diferentes condiciones de Humedad", de Ing. Ana María Minor Villar (FIUAEM, Marzo 2007).

El monto de los trabajos realizados se muestra en la siguiente tabla.

Concepto	Cantidad	P.U.	Importe
Perforación en suelo	22	\$ 350,00	\$ 7 700,00
Traslado de brigada y equipo de perforación	1	800,00	800,00
Muestreo con tubo Shelby	3	400,00	1 200,00
Densidad de sólidos, contenido de agua, granulometría y límites de consistencia	1	825,00	825,00
Consolidación unidimensional	1	1 500,00	1 500,00
Tiempo extraordinario día sábado 23 de Junio	1	350,00	350,00
Sub-total			\$ 12 375,00

Están pendientes la realización de los trabajos de perforación en dos puntos:

- Puente vehicular entre San Mateo Atenco y San Pedro Tultepec.
- Puente vehicular carretera Toluca-Temoaya sobre Río Lerma.

Es importante que se soliciten los permisos así como las medidas de protección, ante las autoridades municipales o estatales correspondientes, además de que se asigne a una persona del CIRA, para que acompañe a la brigada durante los trabajos de perforación e indique las profundidades de muestreo.

Para cualquier duda o aclaración de la presente, quedamos de usted:

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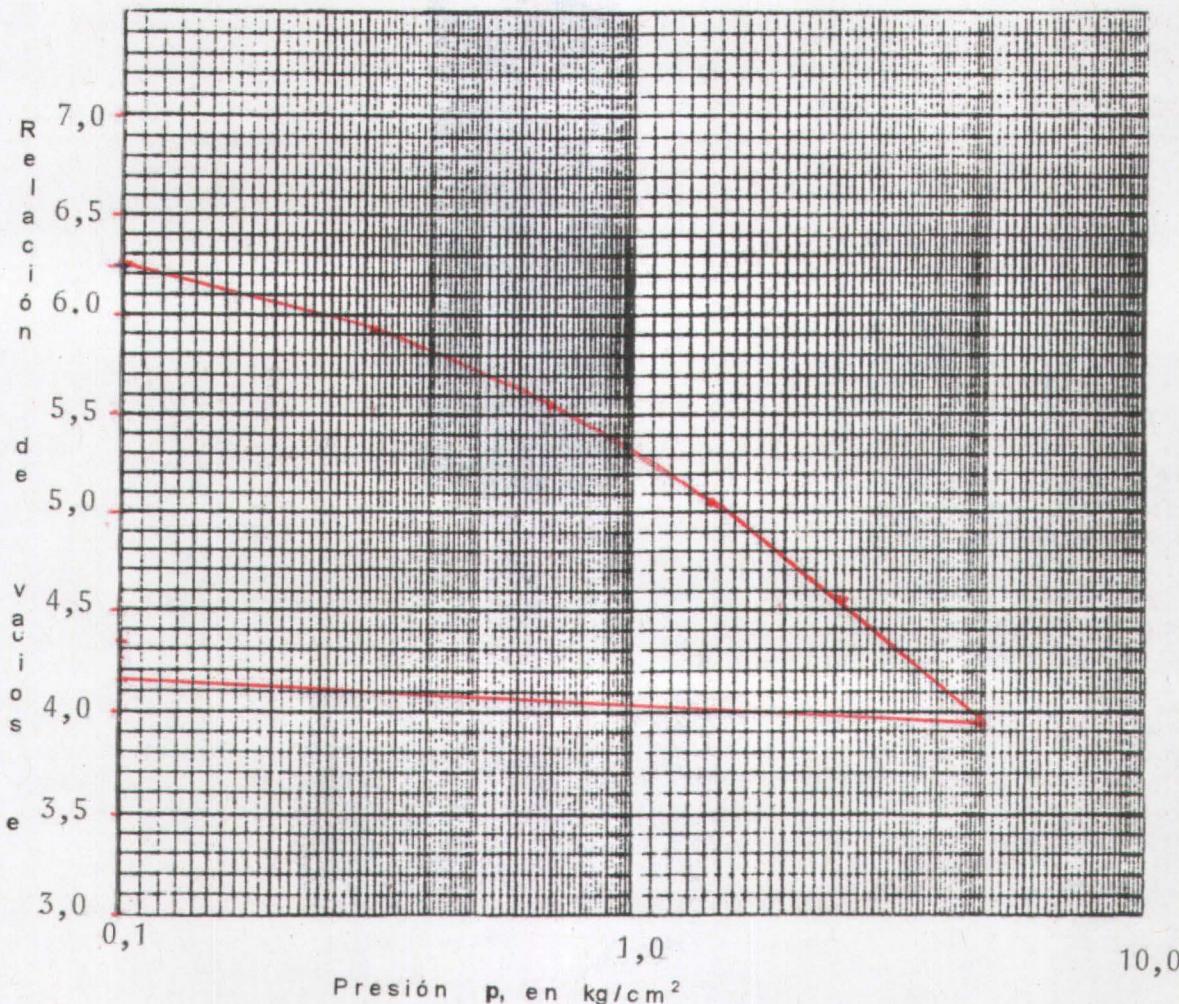
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Obra: DETERMINACION DE LOS VALORES DE COMPRESIBILIDAD DE LAS ARCILLAS  
DEL VALLE DE TOLUCA.

Muestra No.	Profundidad (m)	Ss	Wi (%)	Wf (%)	ei	ef	Gi (%)	Gf (%)
SPT-1	1,5-1,9	2,14	289,04	216,44	6,453	4,349	95,84	100,0

PRESION EFECTIVA: 0,870 kgf/cm<sup>2</sup>



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## RESULTADOS DEL ENSAYE DE CONSOLIDACIÓN UNIDIMENSIONAL.

Compañía:	PROYECTO DE INVESTIGACIÓN UNIVERSIDAD DE QUÉBEC-FICIRA-UAE
Nombre:	DETERMINAR LOS VALORES DE COMPRESIBILIDAD DE LAS ARCILLAS DEL VALLE DE TOLUCA.
Ubicación:	PRESA DE ALMOLOYA DEL RIO, ESTADO DE MÉXICO.

### DATOS DE LA MUESTRA

No. de ensaye:	CIRA-01	CÁLCULOS	ANTES DE LA PRUEBA	DESPUÉS DE LA PRUEBA
Muestra No.	1	Ws (g)= 14,60	Vvi (cm <sup>3</sup> )= 44,034	Ss= 2,14
S.P.T. No.	1	Whi (g)= 56,80	Vwi (cm <sup>3</sup> )= 42,20	γhf (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )= 1 266
Profundidad (m)	1,5-1,9	Wwi (g)= 42,20	γhi (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )= 1 117	Wf (%) = 216,44
Densidad de sólidos:	2,14	Whf (g)= 46,20	Wi (%) = 289,04	Gf (%) = 100,00
Área del anillo cm <sup>2</sup>	25,428	Vi (cm <sup>3</sup> )= 50,856	Gi (%) = 95,84	ef (%) = 4,349
Altura del anillo cm	2,00	Vf (cm <sup>3</sup> )= 36,507	ei (%) = 6,453	
σ <sub>o</sub> kg/cm <sup>2</sup>	0,180	Vs (cm <sup>3</sup> )= 6,822		
Peso anillo + suelo (antes) gr:	187,30			
Peso anillo + suelo (después) gr:	176,70			
Peso anillo + suelo seco (gr):	145,10			
Peso anillo	130,50			

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INFORME DEL ENSAYE DE DENSIDAD DE SÓLIDOS

Compañía:	PROYECTO DE INVESTIGACIÓN UNIVERSIDAD DE QUÉBEC-FICIRA-UAEM	Reporte No.	DENS-CIRA-01
Obra:	DETERMINAR LOS VALORES DE COMPRESIBILIDAD DE LAS ARCILLAS DEL VALLE DE TOLUCA.	No. de Orden:	INVEST-01
Ubicación:	PRESA DE ALMOLOYA DEL RÍO, ESTADO DE MÉXICO.	Fecha de Muestreo:	2007-06-13
		Fecha de Reporte:	2007-07-04

MATERIAL QUE PASA LA MALLA No. 4			
ENSAYE No.	CIRA-01	CIRA-01	
Sondeo No:	SPT-1	SPT-1	
Profundidad:	1,50-1,90	1,50-1,90	
MATRAZ No.	2	4	
Temperatura t °C	18	18	
Wmw	gr 683,1	682,2	
Wmw	gr 669	666,9	
Ws	gr 26,6	28,4	
Ws + Wmw - Wmw	12,5	13,1	
K	0,9986	0,9986	
Ss	2,13	2,16	

DENSIDAD DE SUELOS (promedio) 2,14

Ws : Peso del suelo seco

Wmw : Peso del matraz + agua a t

Wmw : Peso del matraz + agua + muestra a t

$$Ss : \text{Densidad de sólidos} = \frac{Ws K}{Ws + Wmw - Wmw}$$

K : Densidad del agua a t

Observaciones: Muestra obtenida con tubo shelby.

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## INFORME DE CLASIFICACION DE MATERIALES TERREOS.

No. Presup.: IVEST-01

Ensaye No. CIRA-01

No. Informe: IDEN-CIRA-01-2007

Hoja: 4/4

Muestra No:	01; Sondeo S.P.T.-1; Profundidad: 1,50 m a 1,90 m.
Fecha de toma de la muestra:	2007-Jun-13. Muestreo realizado por personal del Laboratorio de Materiales.
Fecha de realización de ensayos:	2007-Jun-23.
Fecha de Reporte:	2007-Jul-04.
Compañía:	PROYECTO DE INVESTIGACIÓN UNIVERSIDAD DE QUÉBEC-FICIRA-UADEM
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Ubicación:	PRESA DE ALMOLOYA DEL RÍO, ESTADO DE MÉXICO.

<b>FRAGMENTOS DE ROCA</b> (PORCIENTO EN PESO)	GRANDES (75 cm a 200 cm)	0%
	MEDIANOS (de 20 cm a 75 cm)	0%
	CHICOS (de 7,6 cm a 20 cm)	0%
<b>SUELOS (PORCIENTO EN PESO)</b>	PASA LA MALLA DE 7,6 cm (3")	100%

**Tabla 1. Resultados del análisis  
granulométrico**

Pulg.	mm	% parcial retenido	% que pasa
2"	50,0	0	100
1 1/2"	37,5	0	100
1"	25,0	0	100
5/8"	19,0	0	100
1/2"	12,7	0	100
3/8"	9,50	0	100
No. 4	4,75	0	100
No. 10	2,000	0	100
No. 20	0,850	1	99
No. 40	0,425	2	97
No. 60	0,250	3	94
No. 100	0,150	4	90
No. 200	0,075	5	85

$$D_{10} = \frac{\text{Sin Dato}}{\text{Sin Dato}} \quad D_{30} = \frac{\text{Sin Dato}}{\text{en mm}}$$

Cu = No aplica      Cc = No aplica

**Tabla 2: Características del material retenido hasta la malla 4,75 mm (No. 4)**

Tamaño Máximo:	9,5 mm	Aristas:	No aplica	Grado de alteración:	No aplica
Forma:	No aplica	Dureza:	No aplica	Textura superficial:	No aplica

**Tabla 3: Resultados de los límites de consistencia**

Límite Líquido (%)	167,3
Límite Plástico (%)	152,0
Índice Plástico (%)	15,3
Contracción Lineal (%)	5,7

**Tabla 4: Resultados de la masa Volumétrica.**

Masa Volumétrica Seca Suelta kg/m <sup>3</sup>	
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Contenido de agua del lugar: 175,0%

**Clasificación S.U.C.S**      MH

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**OBSERVACIONES:** Material color gris-café. Muestra obtenida con tubo shelby.

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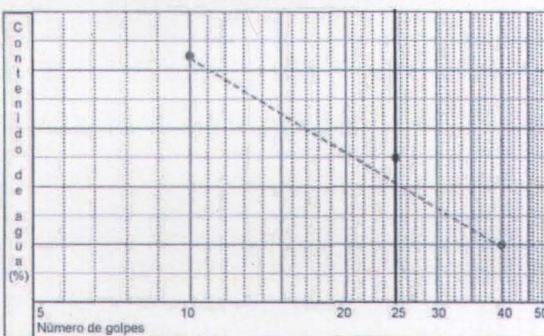
INFORME DE LOS ENSAYOS DE LÍMITES DE CONSISTENCIA Y CONTRACCIÓN LINEAL.  
PRUEBA EN MATERIAL TAMIZADO POR LA MALLA No. 40

Ord. Trab.: INVEST-01 Ensayo No.: CIRA-02 No. Informe: LIMI0CIRA-02-2008 Hoja: 1/16

Muestra No:	01, Tipo: Alterada; Sondeo SPT-1; Profundidad: 9,00 m .
Fecha de toma de la muestra:	2007-Oct-15. Muestreo realizado por personal del Laboratorio de Materiales.
Fecha de ensayo:	2007-Nov-07.
Fecha de reporte:	2007-Nov-14.
Compañía:	PROYECTO DE INVESTIGACIÓN UNIVERSIDAD DE QUÉBEC-FICIRA-UAEM
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Ubicación:	RIO LERMA, TEMOAYA, ESTADO DE MÉXICO.

LÍMITE LIQUIDO							
Número de golpes	Vidrio de reloj No.	Masa húmeda + vidrio Wm + T (1) g	Masa seca + vidrio Wd + T (2) g	Masa del vidrio de reloj T (3) g	Contenido de agua Vw (4) 4 = 1 - 2 g	Masa de suelo seco Vs (5) 5 = 2 - 3 g	Contenido de Agua w (6) 6 = 4 / 5 x 100 %
40	17	45,47	40,21	26,72	5,26	13,49	39,0
25	16	51,94	44,50	26,78	7,44	17,72	42,0
20							
10	14	48,24	41,52	26,74	6,72	14,78	45,5

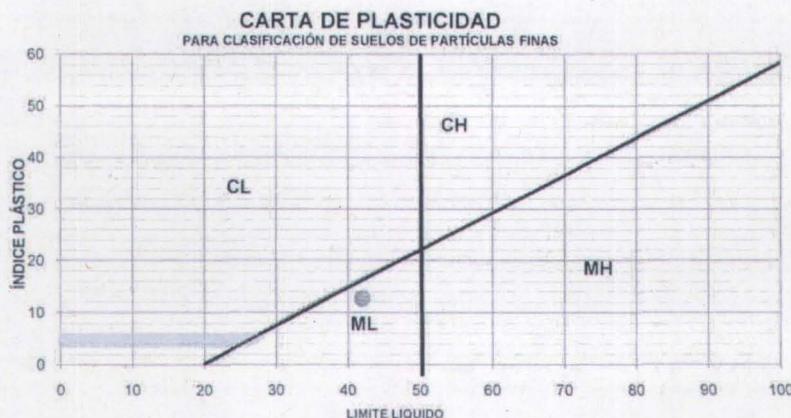
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	13	30,91	30,00	26,89	0,91	3,11	29,3
13		30,91	30,00	26,89	0,91	3,11	29,3



CONTRACCIÓN LINEAL	
MOLDE No.	30
Lectura inicial mm (13)	99,7
Lectura final mm (14)	94,9
% CL = 100 - ((14)/(13) x 100)	4,8

RESULTADOS	
Límite Líquido LL (%)	42,0
Límite Plástico LP (%)	29,3
Índice Plástico IP (%)	12,7
Contracción lineal (%)	4,8
CLASIFICACIÓN DEL SUELO FINO:	ML



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OBSERVACIONES: Material color gris en condición húmeda.

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Ensaye No. CIRA-02

No. Informe: IDEN-0CIRA-02-2007

Hoja: 2/16

Muestra: No:	01, Tipo: Alterada; Sondeo SPT-1; Profundidad: 9,00 m.
Fecha de toma de la muestra:	2007-Oct-15. Muestreo realizado por personal del Laboratorio de Materiales.
Fecha de realización de ensayos:	2007-Nov-05.
Fecha de Reporte:	2007-Nov-14.
Compañía:	PROYECTO DE INVESTIGACIÓN UNIVERSIDAD DE QUÉBEC-FICIRA-UAEM
Obra:	DETERMINAR LOS VALORES DE COMPRESIBILIDAD DE LAS ARCILLAS DEL VALLE DE TOLUCA.
Ubicación:	RIO LERMA, TEMOAYA, ESTADO DE MÉXICO.
<b>FRAGMENTOS DE ROCA (PORCIENTO EN PESO)</b>	GRANDES (75 cm a 200 cm) 0% MEDIANOS (de 20 cm a 75 cm) 0% CHICOS (de 7,6 cm a 20 cm) 0%
<b>SUELOS (PORCIENTO EN PESO)</b>	PASA LA MALLA DE 7,6 cm (3") 100%

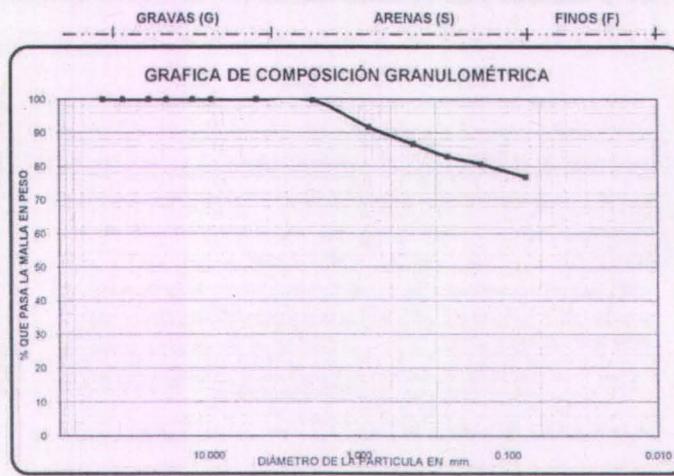
**Tabla 1. Resultados del análisis granulométrico**

Pulg.	mm	% parcial refenido	% que pasa
2"	50,0	0,0	100,0
1 1/2"	37,5	0,0	100,0
1"	25,0	0,0	100,0
3/4"	19,0	0,0	100,0
1/2"	12,7	0,0	100,0
3/8"	9,50	0,0	100,0
No. 4	4,75	0,0	100,0
No. 10	2,000	0,3	99,7
No. 20	0,850	7,9	91,8
No. 40	0,425	5,1	86,7
No. 60	0,250	3,7	83,0
No. 100	0,150	2,3	80,7
No. 200	0,075	3,8	76,9

D<sub>10</sub> = Sin datoD<sub>30</sub> = Sin datoD<sub>60</sub> = Sin dato en mm

Cu = No aplica

Cc = No aplica

**Tabla 2: Características del material retenido hasta la malla 4,75 mm (No. 4)**

Tamaño Máximo:	No aplica	Aristas:	No aplica	Grado de alteración:	No aplica
Forma:	No aplica	Dureza:	No aplica	Textura superficial:	No aplica

**Tabla 3: Resultados de los límites de consistencia**

Límite Líquido (%)	42,0
Límite Plástico (%)	29,3
Índice Plástico (%)	12,7
Contracción Lineal (%)	4,8

**Tabla 4: Resultados de la masa Volumétrica.**

Masa Volumétrica Seca Suelta kg/m <sup>3</sup>	No se determinó
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Contenido de agua del lugar: 70,5%

**Clasificación S.U.C.S**      **ML**

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**PRUEBA EN MATERIAL TAMIZADO POR LA MALLA No. 40**

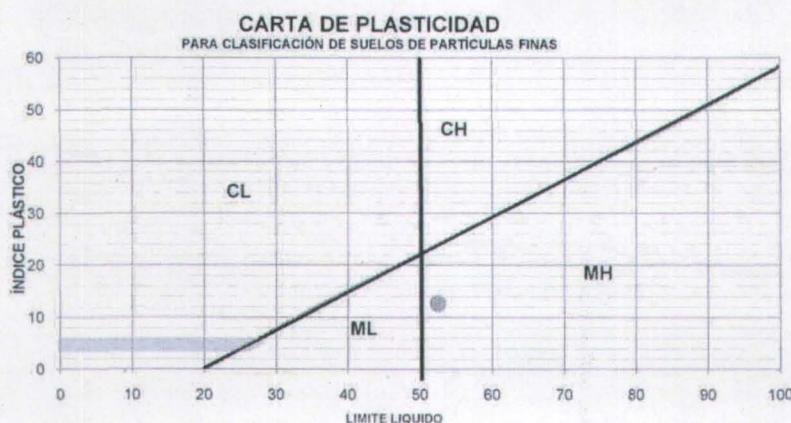
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Muestra No:	02, Tipo: Alterada; Sondeo SPT-1; Profundidad: 15 m .
Fecha de toma de la muestra:	2007-Oct-15. Muestreo realizado por personal del Laboratorio de Materiales.
Fecha de ensayo:	2007-Oct-22.
Fecha de reporte:	2007-Oct-29.
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Ubicación:	RIO LERMA, TEMOAYA, ESTADO DE MÉXICO.

LÍMITE LIQUIDO							
Número de golpes	Vidrio de reloj No.	Masa húmeda + vidrio Wm + T (1) g	Masa seca + vidrio Wd + T (2) g	Masa del vidrio de reloj T (3) g	Contenido de agua Vw (4) 4 = 1 - 2 g	Masa de suelo seco Vs (5) 5 = 2 - 3 g	Contenido de Agua w (6) 6 = 4 / 5 x 100 %
40							
25	8	42,72	36,03	23,28	6,69	12,75	52,5
20							
10							

LÍMITE PLÁSTICO	Vidrio de reloj No.	Masa húmeda + vidrio Wm + T (7) g	Masa seca + vidrio Wd + T (8) g	Masa del vidrio de reloj T (9) g	Contenido de agua Vw (10) 10 = 7 - 8 g	Masa de suelo seco Vs (11) 11 = 8 - 9 g	Contenido de Agua w (12) 12 = 10 / 11 x 100 %
	24	28,53	27,03	23,26	1,50	3,77	39,8
24		28,53	27,03	23,26	1,50	3,77	39,8

C o n t e n i d o d e a g u s (%)	Número de golpes	5	10	20	30	40	50	57.0	CONTRACCIÓN LINEAL
								55.0	MOLDE No 23
								53.0	Lectura inicial mm (13) 99,8
								51.0	Lectura final mm (14) 95,3
									% CL = 100 - ((14)/(13) x 100) 4,5
									RESULTS
									Límite Líquido LL (%) 52,5
									Límite Plástico LP (%) 39,8
									Índice Plástico LP (%) 12,7
									Contracción lineal (%) 4,5
									CLASIFICACIÓN DEL SUELO FINO: MH



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Muestra No:	02, Tipo: Alterada; Sondeo SPT-1; Profundidad: 15 m .
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Fecha de Reporte:	2007-Oct-29.
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FRAGMENTOS DE ROCA (PORCIENTO EN PESO)	GRANDES (75 cm a 200 cm) MEDIANOS (de 20 cm a 75 cm) CHICOS (de 7,6 cm a 20 cm)	0% 0% 0%
SUELOS (PORCIENTO EN PESO)	PASA LA MALLA DE 7,6 cm (3")	100%

**Tabla 1. Resultados del análisis granulométrico**

Pulg.	mm	% parcial retenido	% que pasa
2"	50,0	0,0	100,0
1 ½"	37,5	0,0	100,0
1"	25,0	0,0	100,0
¾"	19,0	0,0	100,0
½"	12,7	0,0	100,0
⅜"	9,50	0,0	100,0
No. 4	4,75	0,0	100,0
No. 10	2,000	2,0	98,0
No. 20	0,850	6,5	91,5
No. 40	0,425	6,7	84,8
No. 60	0,250	5,4	79,4
No. 100	0,150	2,6	76,8
No. 200	0,075	4,7	72,1

$$D_{10} = \text{Sin Dato}$$

$$D_{60} = \text{Sin Dato}$$

$$\text{en mm}$$

Cu = No aplica      Cc = No aplica

**Tabla 2: Características del material retenido hasta la malla 4,75 mm (No. 4)**

Tamaño Máximo:	No aplica	Aristas:	No aplica	Grado de alteración:	No aplica
Forma:	No aplica	Dureza:	No aplica	Textura superficial:	No aplica

**Tabla 3: Resultados de los límites de consistencia**

Límite Líquido (%)	52,5
Límite Plástico (%)	39,8
Índice Plástico (%)	12,7
Contracción Lineal (%)	4,5

**Tabla 4: Resultados de la masa Volumétrica.**

Masa Volumétrica Seca Suelta kg/m³	No se determinó
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Contenido de agua del lugar: 63,0%

Clasificación S.U.C.S MH

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OBSERVACIONES: Material color gris en condición húmeda.

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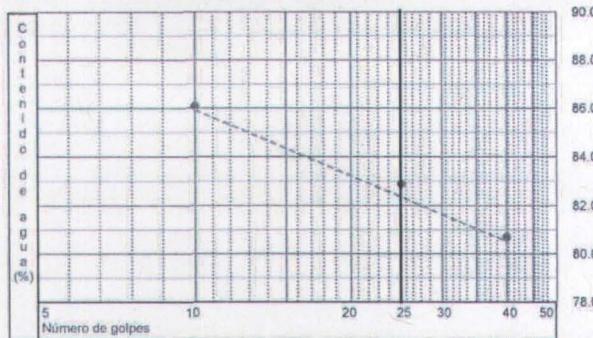
INFORME DE LOS ENSAYOS DE LÍMITES DE CONSISTENCIA Y CONTRACCIÓN LINEAL.  
PRUEBA EN MATERIAL TAMIZADO POR LA MALLA No. 40

Ord. Trab.: INVEST-01 Ensayo No.: CIRA-04 No. Informe: LIMI0CIRA-04-2008 Hoja: 5/16

Muestra No:	01, Tipo: Alterada; Sondeo SPT-1; Profundidad: 7,00-7,50 m .
Fecha de toma de la muestra:	2007-Ago-27. Muestreo realizado por personal del Laboratorio de Materiales.
Fecha de ensayo:	2007-Sep-11.
Fecha de reporte:	2007-Sep-18.
Compañía:	PROYECTO DE INVESTIGACIÓN UNIVERSIDAD DE QUÉBEC-FICIRA-UDEM
Obra:	DETERMINAR LOS VALORES DE COMPRESIBILIDAD DE LAS ARCILLAS DEL VALLE DE TOLUCA.
Ubicación:	RIO LERMA, SAN MATEO ATENCO, ESTADO DE MÉXICO.

LÍMITE LIQUIDO.							
Número de golpes	Vidrio de reloj No.	Masa húmeda + vidrio Wm + T (1) g	Masa seca + vidrio Wd + T (2) g	Masa del vidrio de reloj T (3) g	Contenido de agua Vw (4) 4 = 1 - 2 g	Masa de suelo seco Ws (5) 5 = 2 - 3 g	Contenido de Agua w (6) 6 = 4 / 5 x 100 %
40	5	51,56	40,53	26,87	11,03	13,66	80,7
25	4	47,77	36,49	22,89	11,28	13,60	82,9
20							
10	6	46,61	35,83	23,31	10,78	12,52	86,1

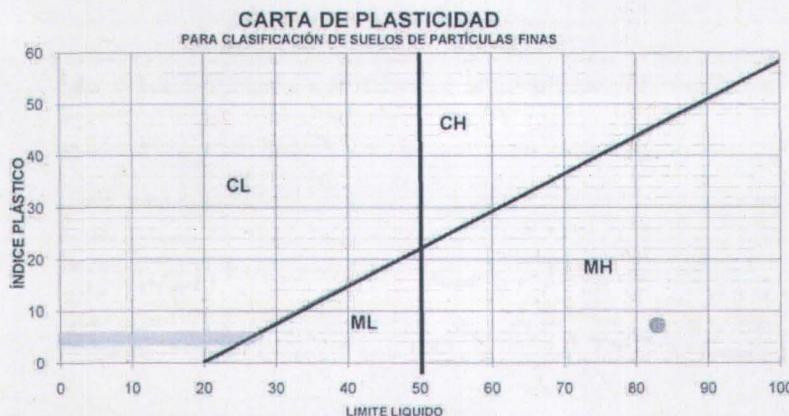
LÍMITE PLÁSTICO	Vidrio de reloj No.	Masa húmeda + vidrio Wm + T (7) g	Masa seca + vidrio Wd + T (8) g	Masa del vidrio de reloj T (9) g	Contenido de agua Vw (10) 10 = 7 - 8 g	Masa de suelo seco Ws (11) 11 = 8 - 9 g	Contenido de Agua w (12) 12 = 10 / 11 x 100 %
	7	52,81	38,75	20,15	14,06	18,60	75,6
		7	52,81	38,75	20,15	14,06	75,6



CONTRACCIÓN LINEAL	
MOLDE No.	1
Lectura inicial mm (13)	99,3
Lectura final mm (14)	96,6
% CL = 100 - ((14)/(13) x 100)	2,7

RESULTADOS	
Límite Líquido LL (%)	82,9
Límite Plástico LP (%)	75,6
Índice Plástico IP (%)	7,3
Contracción lineal (%)	2,7
CLASIFICACIÓN DEL SUELO FINO:	OH



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Capítulo 6: Determinación de los límites de consistencia. Capítulo 7: Determinación de la contracción lineal.

OBSERVACIONES: Material color negro en condición húmeda.

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**INFORME DE CLASIFICACION DE MATERIALES TERREOS.**

No. Ord. Trab.: INVEST-01

Ensaye No. CIRA-04

No. Informe: IDEN-0CIRA-04-2007

Hoja: 6/16

Muestra No:	01, Tipo: Alterada; Sondeo SPT-1; Profundidad: 7,00-7,50 m .
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Ubicación:	RÍO LERMA, SAN MATEO ATENCO, ESTADO DE MÉXICO.

FRAGMENTOS DE ROCA (PORCIENTO EN PESO)	GRANDES (75 cm a 200 cm) 0%
	MEDIANOS (de 20 cm a 75 cm) 0%
	CHICOS (de 7,6 cm a 20 cm) 0%

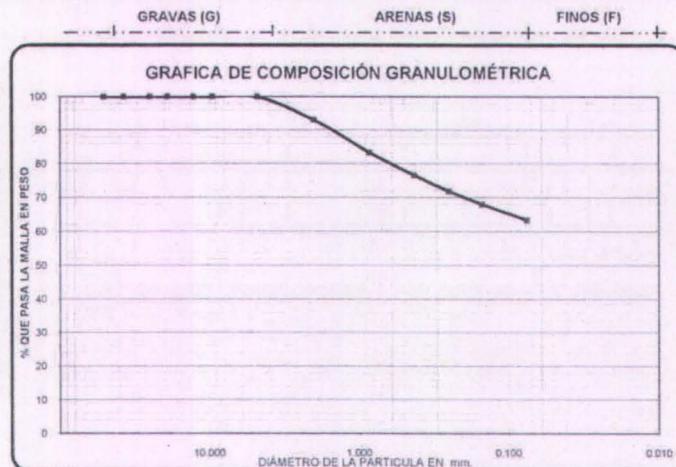
SUELOS (PORCIENTO EN PESO)	PASA LA MALLA DE 7,6 cm (3") 100%
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**Tabla 1. Resultados del análisis granulométrico**

Pulg.	mm	% parcial retenido	% que pasa
2"	50,0	0,0	100,0
1 1/2"	37,5	0,0	100,0
1"	25,0	0,0	100,0
5/8"	19,0	0,0	100,0
1/2"	12,7	0,0	100,0
3/8"	9,50	0,0	100,0
No. 4	4,75	0,0	100,0
No. 10	2,000	6,9	93,1
No. 20	0,850	9,7	83,4
No. 40	0,425	6,8	76,6
No. 60	0,250	4,7	71,9
No. 100	0,150	3,8	68,1
No. 200	0,075	4,7	63,4

$$D_{10} = \frac{\text{Sin dato}}{\text{Sin dato}} \quad D_{50} = \frac{\text{Sin dato}}{\text{en mm}}$$

Cu = No aplica Cc = No aplica



**Tabla 2: Características del material retenido hasta la malla 4,75 mm (No. 4)**

Tamaño Máximo:	No aplica	Aristas:	No aplica	Grado de alteración:	No aplica
Forma:	No aplica	Dureza:	No aplica	Textura superficial:	No aplica

**Tabla 3: Resultados de los límites de consistencia**

Límite Líquido (%)	82,9
Límite Plástico (%)	75,6
Índice Plástico (%)	7,3
Contracción Lineal (%)	2,7

**Tabla 4: Resultados de la masa Volumétrica.**

Masa Volumétrica Seca Suelta kg/m <sup>3</sup>	No se determinó
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Contenido de agua del lugar: 230,0%

Clasificación S.U.C.S OH

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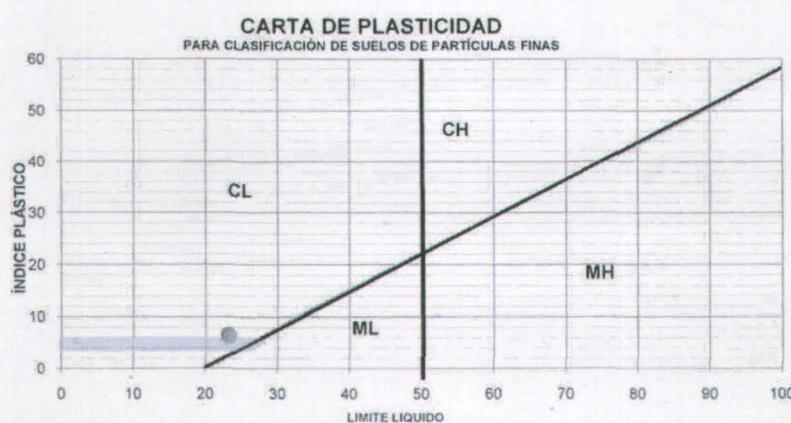
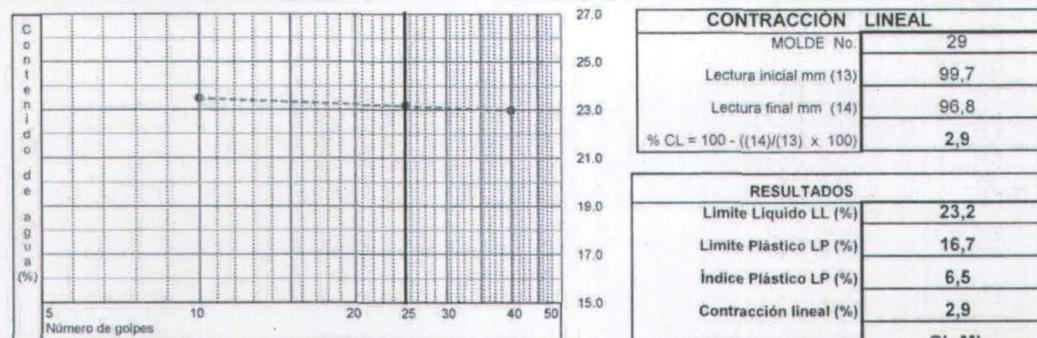
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PRUEBA EN MATERIAL TAMIZADO POR LA MALLA No. 40

Ord. Trab.: INVEST-01 Ensayo No. CIRA-05 No. Informe: LIMI0CIRA-05-2008 Hoja: 7/16

Muestra No:	02, Tipo: Alterada; Sondeo SPT-1; Profundidad: 28,00-28,20 m .
Fecha de toma de la muestra:	2007-Ago-27. Muestreo realizado por personal del Laboratorio de Materiales.
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Fecha de reporte:	2007-Oct-18.
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Ubicación:	RIO LERMA, SAN MATEO ATENCO, ESTADO DE MÉXICO.

LÍMITE LIQUIDO.							
Número de golpes	Vidrio de reloj No.	Masa humeda + vidrio Wm + T (1) g	Masa seca + vidrio Wd + T (2) g	Masa del vidrio de reloj T (3) g	Contenido de agua Ww (4) 4 = 1 - 2 g	Masa de suelo seco Vs (5) 5 = 2 - 3 g	Contenido de Agua w (6) 6 = 4 / 5 x 100 %
40	10	50,56	46,11	26,80	4,45	19,31	23,0
25	16	52,84	47,93	26,78	4,91	21,15	23,2
20							
10	1	49,70	45,33	26,75	4,37	18,58	23,5

LÍMITE PLÁSTICO	Vidrio de reloj No.	Masa humeda + vidrio Wm + T (7) g	Masa seca + vidrio Wd + T (8) g	Masa del vidrio de reloj T (9) g	Contenido de agua Ww (10) 10 = 7 - 8 g	Masa de suelo seco Vs (11) 11 = 8 - 9 g	Contenido de Agua w (12) 12 = 10 / 11 x 100 %
	37	34,80	34,04	29,49	0,76	4,55	16,7
	37	34,80	34,04	29,49	0,76	4,55	16,7



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Capítulo 6: Determinación de los límites de consistencia. Capítulo 7: Determinación de la contracción lineal.

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Ensaye No.: CIRA-05

No. Informe: IDEN-0CIRA-05-2007

Hoja: 8/16

Muestra No:	02, Tipo: Alterada; Sondeo SPT-1; Profundidad: 28.00-28.20 m.
Fecha de toma de la muestra:	2007-Ago-27. Muestreo realizado por personal del Laboratorio de Materiales.
Fecha de realización de ensayos:	2007-Oct-06.
Fecha de Reporte:	2007-Oct-13.
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Obra:	DETERMINAR LOS VALORES DE COMPRESIBILIDAD DE LAS ARCILLAS DEL VALLE DE TOLUCA.
Ubicación:	RIO LERMA, SAN MATEO ATENCO, ESTADO DE MÉXICO.

FRAGMENTOS DE ROCA  
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GRANDES (75 cm a 200 cm) 0%  
MEDIANOS (de 20 cm a 75 cm) 0%  
CHICOS (de 7,6 cm a 20 cm) 0%

SUELOS (PORCIENTO EN PESO)

PASA LA MALLA DE 7,6 cm (3") 100%

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No. 40	0,425	6,3	89,1
No. 60	0,250	15,2	73,9
No. 100	0,150	14,3	59,6
No. 200	0,075	18,8	40,8

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Tabla 2: Características del material retenido hasta la malla 4,75 mm (No. 4)

Tamaño Máximo:	No aplica	Aristas:	No aplica	Grado de alteración:	No aplica
Forma:	No aplica	Dureza:	No aplica	Textura superficial:	No aplica

Tabla 3: Resultados de los límites de consistencia

Límite Líquido (%)	23,2
Límite Plástico (%)	16,7
Índice Plástico (%)	6,5
Contracción Lineal (%)	2,9

Tabla 4: Resultados de la masa Volumétrica.

Masa Volumétrica Seca Suelta kg/m <sup>3</sup>	No se determinó
Contenido de agua del lugar:	28,8%

Clasificación S.U.C.S SC-SM

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OBSERVACIONES: Material color gris en condición húmeda.

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### INFORME DEL ENSAYE DE DENSIDAD DE SÓLIDOS

Compañía:	PROYECTO DE INVESTIGACIÓN UNIVERSIDAD DE QUÉBEC-FICIRA-UAEM	Reporte No.	DENS-CIRA-02
Obra:	DETERMINAR LOS VALORES DE COMPRESIBILIDAD DE LAS ARCILLAS DEL VALLE DE TOLUCA.	No. de Orden:	INVEST-01
Ubicación:	RIO LERMA, TEMOAYA, ESTADO DE MÉXICO.	Fecha de Muestreo:	2007-10-15
		Fecha de Reporte:	2007-11-28

MATERIAL QUE PASA LA MALLA No. 4			
ENSAYE No.	CIRA-02		
Sondeo No:	SPT-1		
Profundidad:	9,00		
MATRAZ No.	1		
Temperatura t °C	19		
Wmws gr	696,9		
Wmw gr	667,1		
Ws gr	50,4		
Ws + Wmw - Wmws	20,6		
K	0,9984		
Ss	2,44		

DENSIDAD DE SUELOS (promedio) 2,44

Ws : Peso del suelo seco

Wmw : Peso del matraz + agua a t

Wmws : Peso del matraz + agua + muestra a t

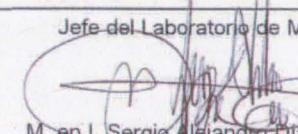
$$S_s : \text{Densidad de sólidos} = \frac{W_s K}{W_s + W_{mw} - W_{mws}}$$

K : Densidad del agua a t

Observaciones:	Muestra obtenida con tubo shelby.
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MATERIAL QUE PASA LA MALLA No. 4			
ENSAYE No.	CIRA-03		
Sondeo No:	SPT-1		
Profundidad:	15,00		
MATRAZ No.	2		
Temperatura t °C	20		
Wmws gr	672,5		
Wmw gr	654,7		
Ws gr	29,8		
Ws + Wmw - Wmws	12		
K	0,9982		
Ss	2,48		

**DENSIDAD DE SUELOS (promedio)** 2,48

Ws : Peso del suelo seco

Wmw : Peso del matraz + agua a t

Wmws : Peso del matraz + agua + muestra a t

$$Ss : \text{Densidad de sólidos} = \frac{Ws K}{Ws + Wmw - Wmws}$$

K : Densidad del agua a t

Observaciones: Muestra obtenida con tubo shelby.

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Ubicación:	RIO LERMA, SAN MATEO ATENCO, ESTADO DE MÉXICO.	Fecha de Muestreo:	2007-08-27
		Fecha de Reporte:	2007-11-28

MATERIAL QUE PASA LA MALLA No. 4			
ENSAYE No.	CIRA-04	CIRA-04	
Sondeo No:	SPT-1	SPT-1	
Profundidad:	7,00-7,50	7,00-7,50	
MATRAZ No.	2	4	
Temperatura t °C	19	19	
Wmws gr	685,7	683,3	
Wmw gr	669,2	667,2	
Ws gr	28,9	28,4	
Ws + Wmw - Wmws	12,4	12,3	
K	0,9984	0,9984	
Ss	2,33	2,31	

DENSIDAD DE SUELOS (promedio) 2,32

Ws : Peso del suelo seco

Wmw : Peso del matraz + agua a t

Wmws : Peso del matraz + agua + muestra a t

$$\text{Ss : Densidad de sólidos} = \frac{\text{Ws K}}{\text{Ws} + \text{Wmw} - \text{Wmws}}$$

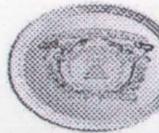
K : Densidad del agua a t

Observaciones:	Muestra obtenida con tubo shelby.
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Obra:	DETERMINAR LOS VALORES DE COMPRESIBILIDAD DE LAS ARCILLAS DEL VALLE DE TOLUCA.	No. de Orden:	INVEST-01
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		Fecha de Reporte:	2007-11-28

MATERIAL QUE PASA LA MALLA No. 4			
ENSAYE No.	CIRA-05	CIRA-04	
Sondeo No.:	SPT-1	SPT-1	
Profundidad:	28,00-28,50	28,00-28,50	
MATRAZ No.	2	4	
Temperatura t °C	20	20	
Wmw	gr 699,2	697,4	
Wmw	gr 668,9	667,1	
Ws	gr 49,2	48,8	
Ws + Wmw - Wmw	18,9	18,5	
K	0,9982	0,9982	
Ss	2,60	2,63	

DENSIDAD DE SUELOS (promedio) 2,62

Ws : Peso del suelo seco

Wmw : Peso del matraz + agua a t

Wmw : Peso del matraz + agua + muestra a t

$$Ss : \text{Densidad de sólidos} = \frac{Ws K}{Ws + Wmw - Wmw}$$

K : Densidad del agua a t

Observaciones:	Muestra obtenida con tubo shelby.
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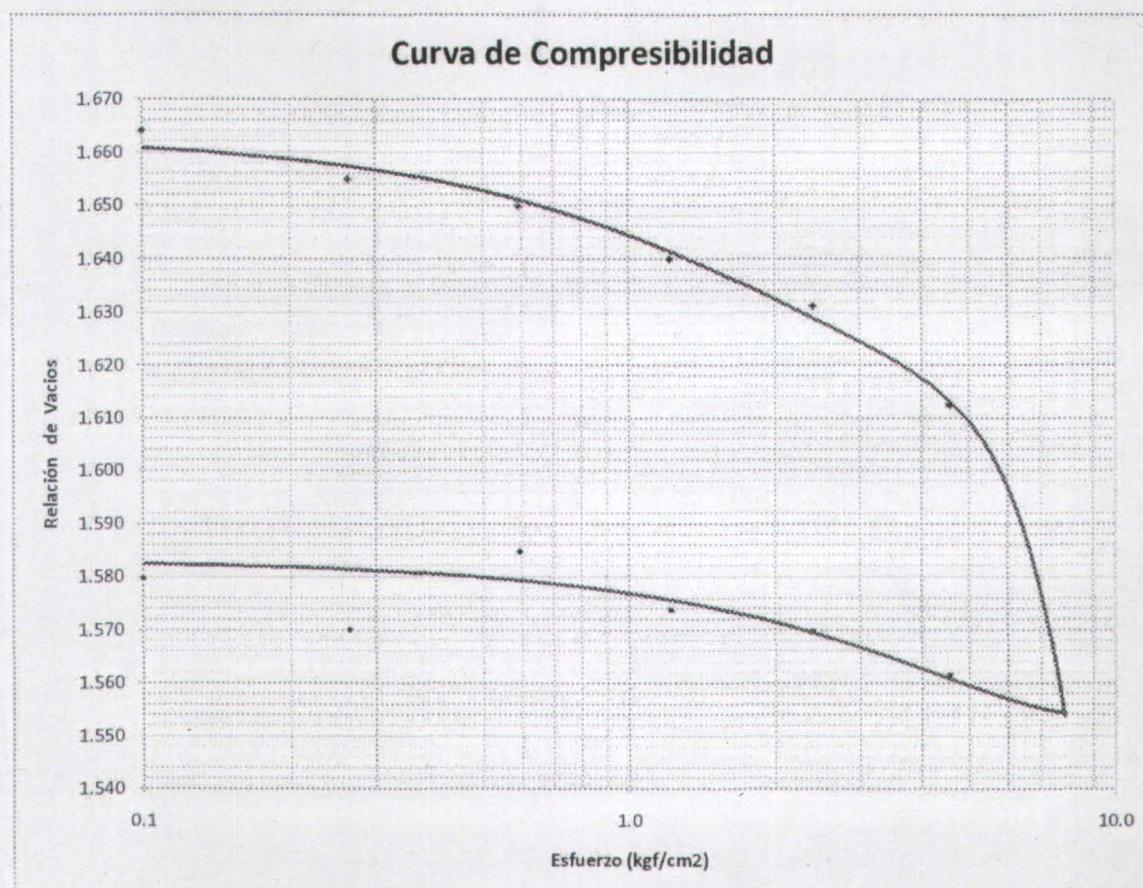
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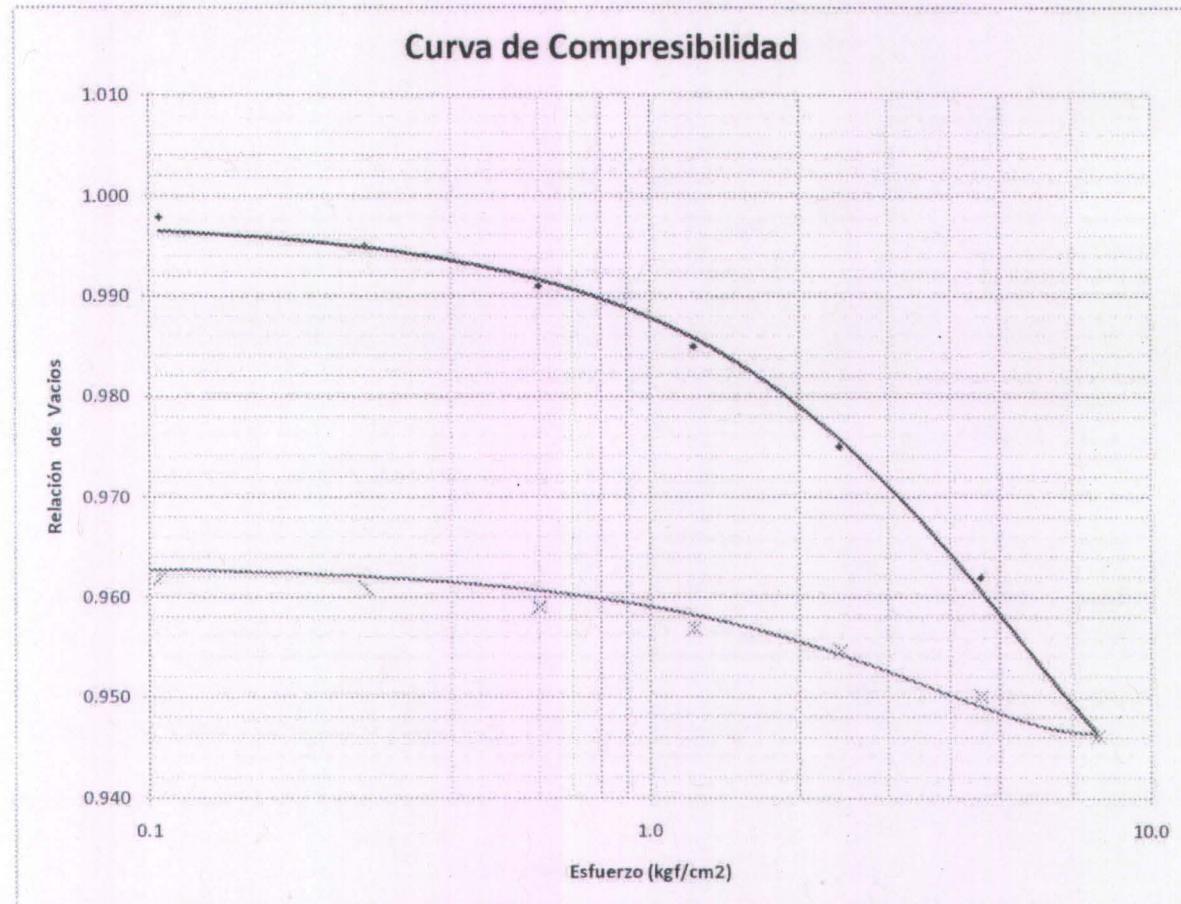
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CIRA-02	1	1	9,00	2,44	38,56	42,08	1,01	0,971	93,19	100,00	1,65



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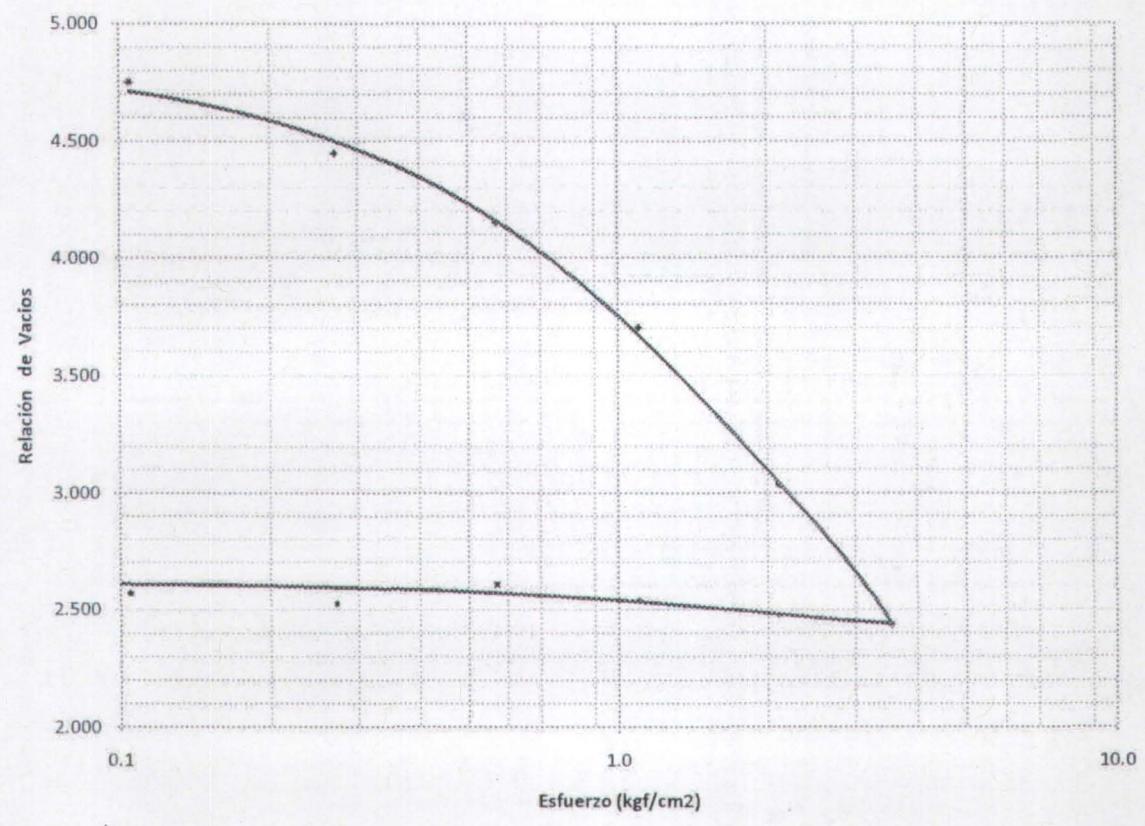


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CIRA-03	1	1	7,00-7,50	2,32	191,96	113,57	5,00	2,690	89,05	97,96	0,54

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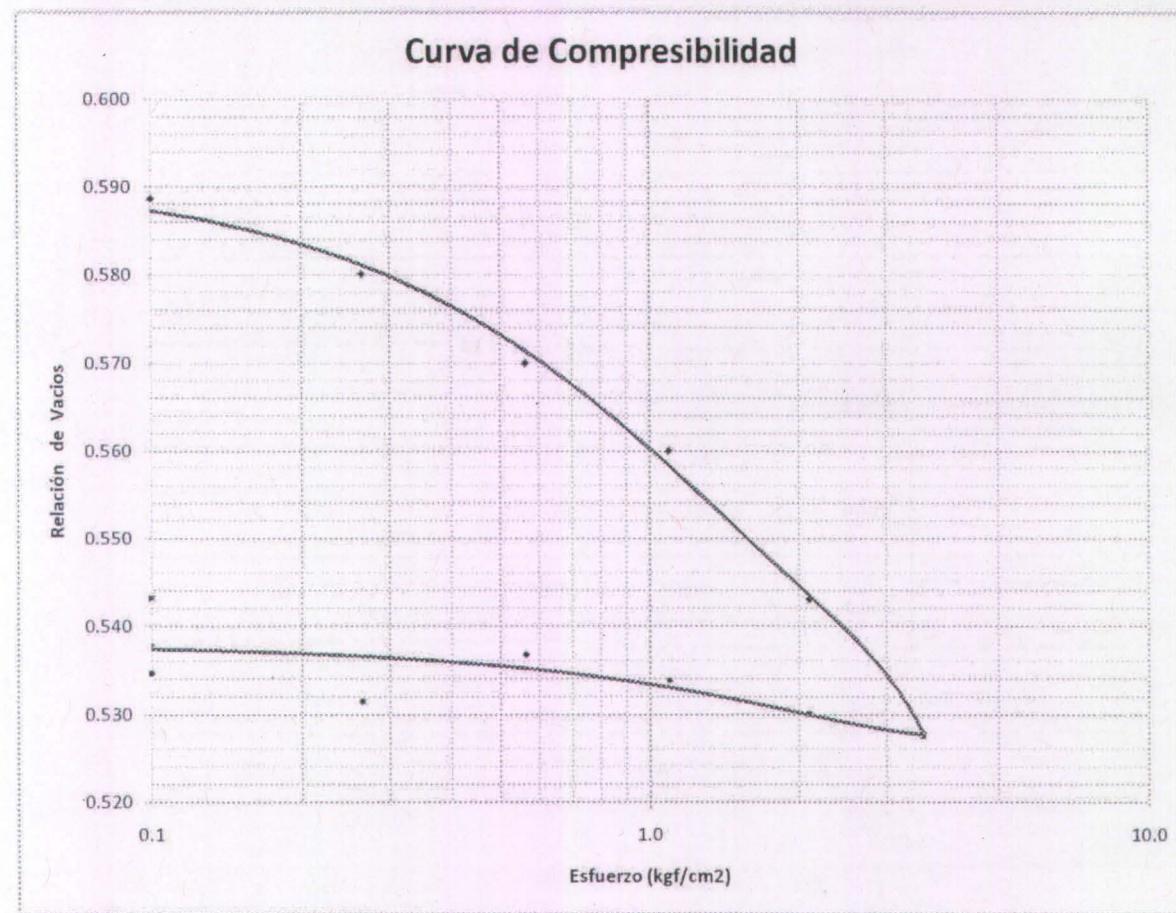
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CIRA-04	1	2	28,0-28,2	2,62	23,96	22,53	0,604	0,548	100,00	100,00	0,46



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## **ANNEXE E – Modèles d'évapotranspiration**



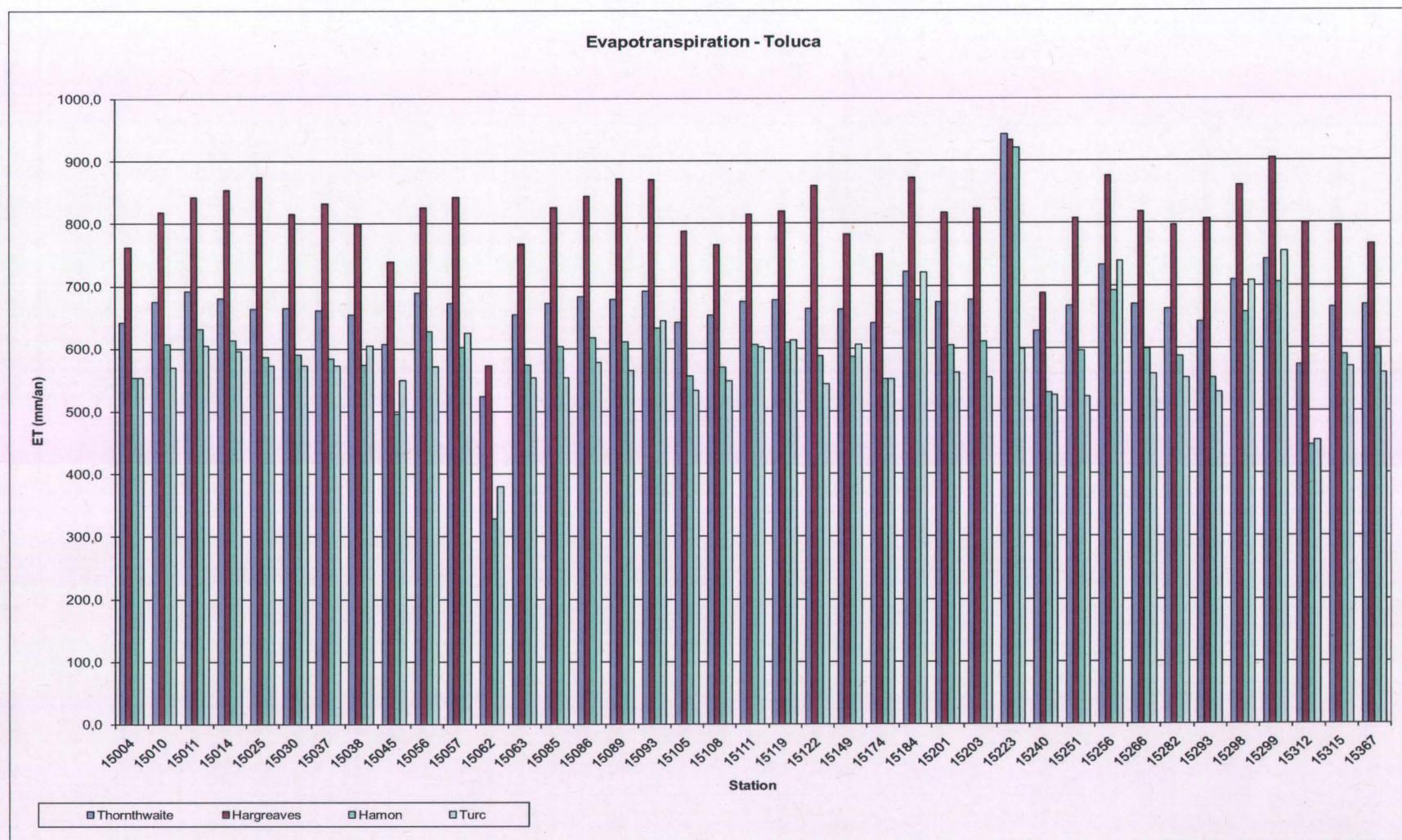
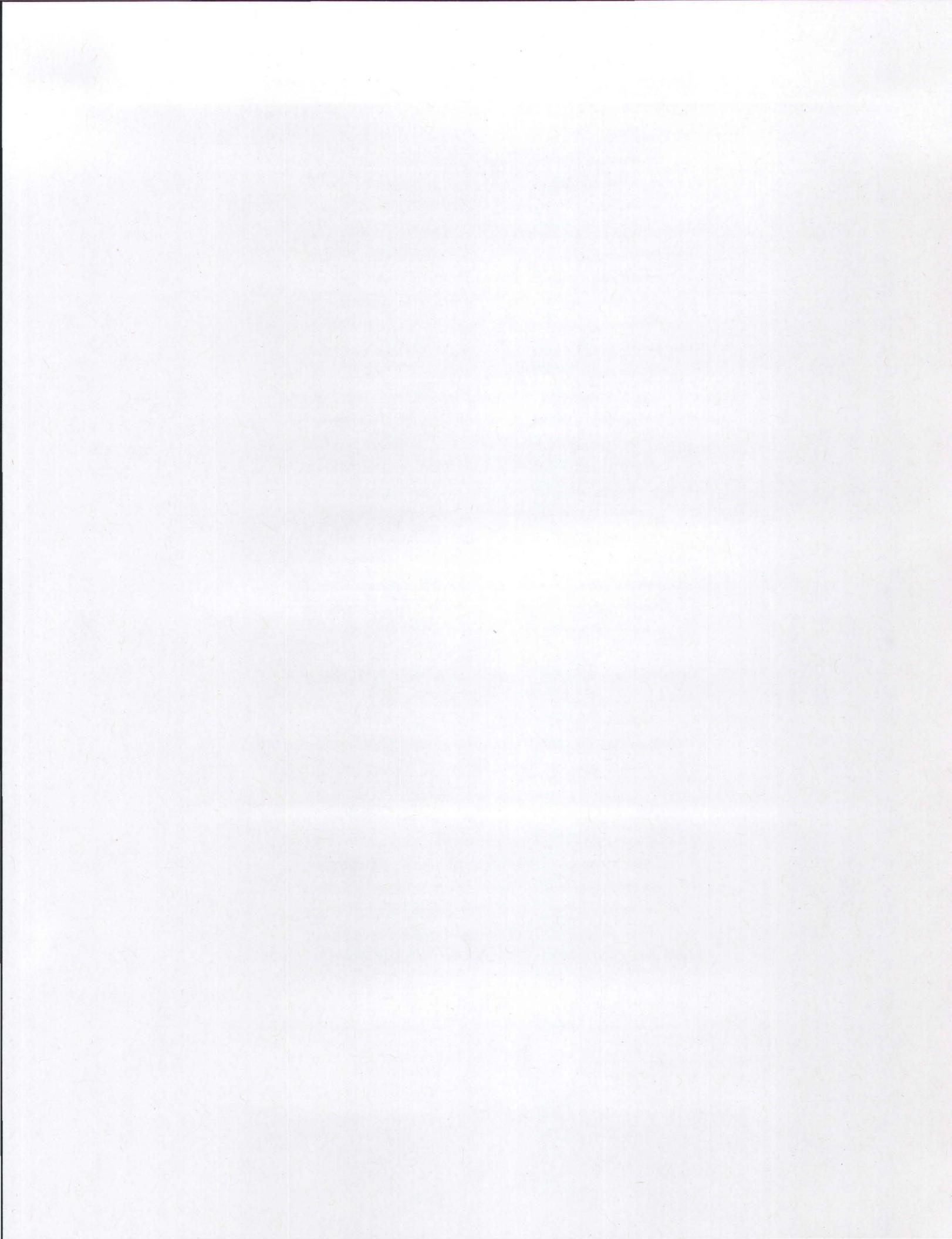


Figure 1: Etude comparative de l'évapotranspiration (Thornthwaite, Hargreaves, Hamon, Turc) à 39 stations météorologique dans la vallée de Toluca.



## **ANNEXE F - D-InSAR description and discussion on limitations**



## Annexe F: D-InSAR description and discussion on limitations

### D-InSAR description

The basic D-InSAR geometry is highlighted in the following diagram:

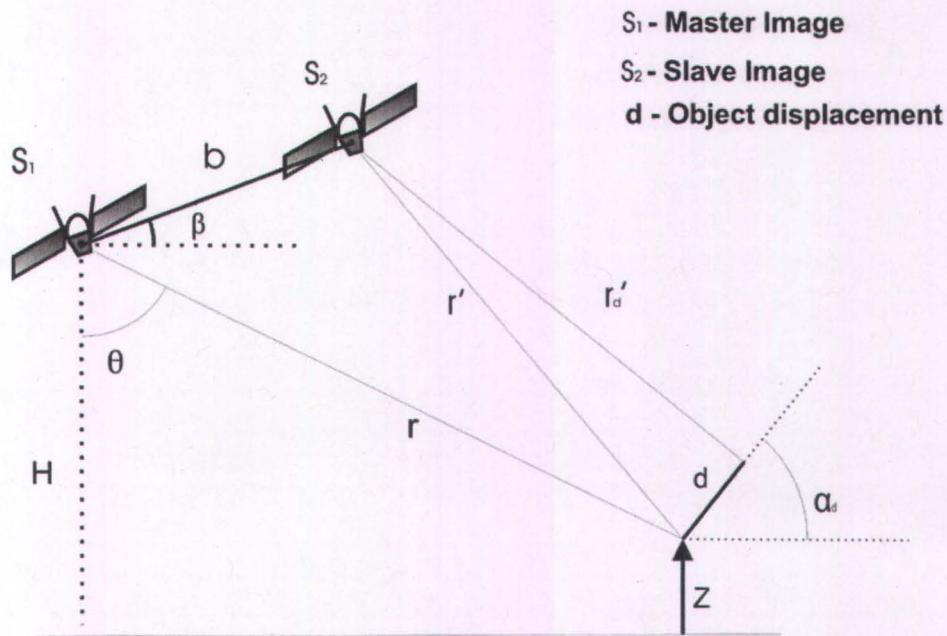


Figure 1: D-InSAR geometry to calculate surface displacement (Modified from Raisinghani, 2007)

In figure 1, the surface point with height  $z$  is displaced a distance  $d$  in the  $\alpha_d$  direction. Hence, the target range for the slave image is now  $r_d'$ .

To estimate error, let the following relation apply:

$$\Phi(x, r) = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} \delta r \quad (1)$$

Where  $\Phi(x, r)$  is the phase difference for each image pixel. Thus From the phase information obtained by radar satellites, the slant range difference can be obtained.

$$\delta r = \frac{\lambda}{4\pi} \Delta \Phi(x, r) \quad (2)$$

$$\Delta(\delta r) = \frac{\lambda}{4\pi} \Delta \Phi(x, r) \quad (3)$$

Taking, for example, a system operating with C-band ( $\lambda = 5.6$  cm) and the error in the phase difference ( $\Delta \Phi(x, r)$ ) of  $30^\circ$ , gives  $\Delta(\delta r) = 2.3$  mm.

In the figure above, the surface point with height  $z$  is displaced a distance  $d$  in the  $\alpha_d$  direction. Hence, the target range for the slave image is now  $r_d'$ . From equation (2) above, the following relation is obtained:

$$\Phi = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} (r_d - r) = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} (r_d' - r' + r' - r) = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} (\delta r_d + \delta r) \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{\lambda \Phi}{4\pi} = \delta r_d + \delta r \quad (5)$$

Hence, the phase has contributions from both the target slant range displacement values and the topography  $\delta r$ ; the latter contribution arising due to the presence of a baseline  $b$ . Thus, in the ideal case where the master and slave image passes occur on exactly the same orbit ( $b = 0$ ), there are no topographic contributions and from the above geometry:

$$\delta r_d \approx d \cos(90^\circ - \theta + \alpha_d) = d \sin(\theta - \alpha_d) \quad (6)$$

Essentially, using D-InSAR, one can obtain the slant range displacement values  $\delta r_d'$  from which they can then determine  $d$  by prior knowledge of the landscape slope  $\alpha_d$ .

However, the assumption that  $b = 0$  is not realistic, so there will be some topographical displacement contribution. This is why small baselines are sought when using the D-InSAR technique to minimize that contribution. In addition, higher-resolution DEM's lead to better accuracy in determining  $\delta r$  which then leads to greater accuracy in determining  $\delta r_d$ .

Consider the following equation:

$$\varepsilon_z = \frac{r \sin \theta}{b_\perp} \cdot \varepsilon_{\delta r} \quad (7)$$

Where  $\varepsilon_z$  represents the height accuracy of the object and  $\varepsilon_{\delta r}$  is the corresponding accuracy on the topographic height profile (the negative sign is omitted since dealing with just the magnitude). If one uses the SRTM DEM, then  $\varepsilon_z = 90\text{m}$  and from the above equation,  $\varepsilon_{\delta r} = 1.6\text{cm}$ . This error is then transferred to  $\delta r_d$  when the  $\delta r$  contribution is subtracted (Franceschetti and Lanari, 1999).

## Limitations of D-InSAR

Several factors influence the quality of an interferogram and the output products such as a deformation map. Five important points to consider are:

1- Perpendicular baselines between acquisitions have upper limits. Typical values for maximum usable baseline separation are less than 600 m for ERS-1/2, ENVISAT ASAR, and RADARSAT-1. In certain conditions RADARSAT-1 can have up to 800 m of perpendicular baseline. JERS-1 and ALOS allow for larger baseline however normally the baselines should be less than 1.5 km (Wegmüller et al., 2006). RADARSAT-2 is expected to have relatively small perpendicular baselines – suitable for InSAR processing (MDA, 2009).

2- Atmospheric effects - The main error term concerning the deformation rate accuracy achievable for areas of sufficient coherence, is related to the heterogeneity of the atmospheric path delay (Zebker et al., 1997). Spatial variability of the atmosphere changes with time thus fringes produced by atmospheric effects (essentially in the ionosphere and in the troposphere – i.e. clouds) should not have fixed geographic position in interferometric pairs taken at different times.

3- The terrain being imaged may change between passes of the SAR. This may result in one of two types of effects on the phase information:

- Systematic phase effects caused by large-scale motion during the time interval between the passes, for example: a city may subside. In this case if movement of the terrain between the acquisitions is larger than  $\lambda/2$  (equal to interferometric fringe) only the phase between 0 and  $2\pi$  of the deformation is obtained and not the whole  $n2\pi+\phi$ . Thus in the case of C-band ( $\lambda = 5.6$  cm) the maximum detectable movement in the LOS between acquisitions is 2.8 cm. This restricts the applicability of D-InSAR to relative slow moving deformation.
- Random phase effects caused by decorrelation of the phase contributions of scatterers within the resolution cells. We call this *temporal decorrelation*. This often results in cells or entire areas being of little use for interferometry (MDA, 2007). Vegetation growth or movement is a common cause of the random phase effect.

4- As with all SAR imagery, high spatial resolution greatly influences the utility of the imagery for a particular application. With respect to the sensors, RADARSAT-2 (3.0 metres) and TerraSAR-X (1.0 metre) have among the finest resolutions. The DEM resolution is also an important factor in properly removing the topographic phase component. A higher resolution DEM will lead to proper removal of the topographic phase, and thus better deformation information.

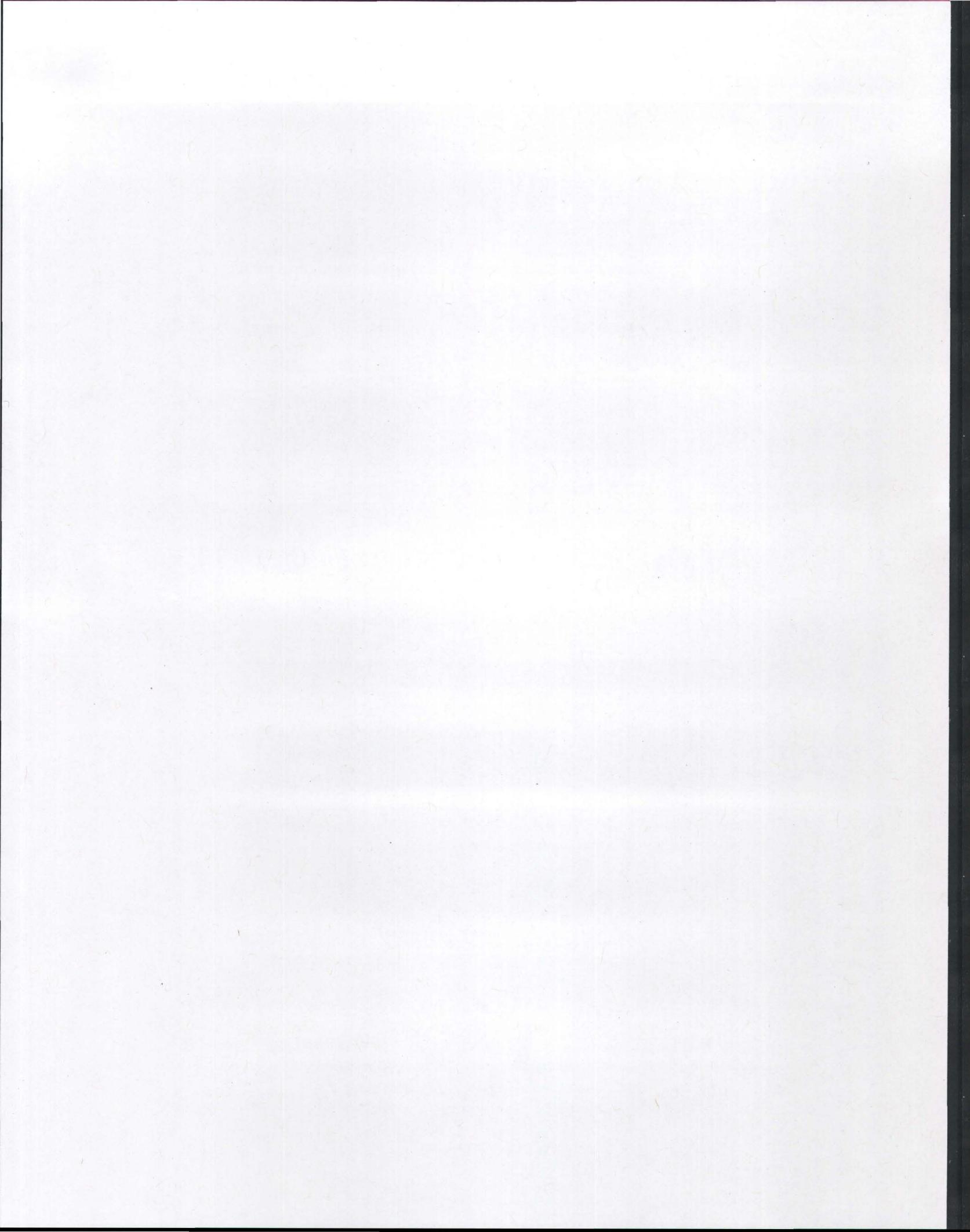
5- Band type and wavelength - Differences in sensor wavelength have a varying effect on InSAR results. Several band types exist from different sensors (Table 1). C-Band is a mid-spectrum frequency, where the midsized wavelength enables better resolution than L-band yet worse than X-band. However, C-Band tolerates higher vegetative cover than X-band yet less than L-band. Incomplete spatial coverage caused by temporal decorrelation and problems in resolving high spatial phase gradients are limitations of C-band and X-

band INSAR (Wegmüller et al., 2006). With L-band these limitations are reduced due to the longer wavelength. Strozzi et al. (2003) demonstrated that L-band coherence over forest can be high enough to permit interpretation of the interferometric phases, not possible with C-band. X-band has an even smaller wavelength than C-band, thus for longer acquisition intervals, its use is limited to areas with minimal vegetation. However, assuming ideal conditions (minimal vegetative cover, small spatial/temporal decorrelation), higher resolution is obtained by the shorter wavelength. Advantages and disadvantages are found for all wavelengths, and each wavelength might be more suitable for a particular application. Due to the availability of data, this study uses C-Band radar data from ERS-1, ERS-2, ENVISAT ASAR, and RADARSAT-1.

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## **ANNEXE G – Supplementary data for the HELP3 Model**



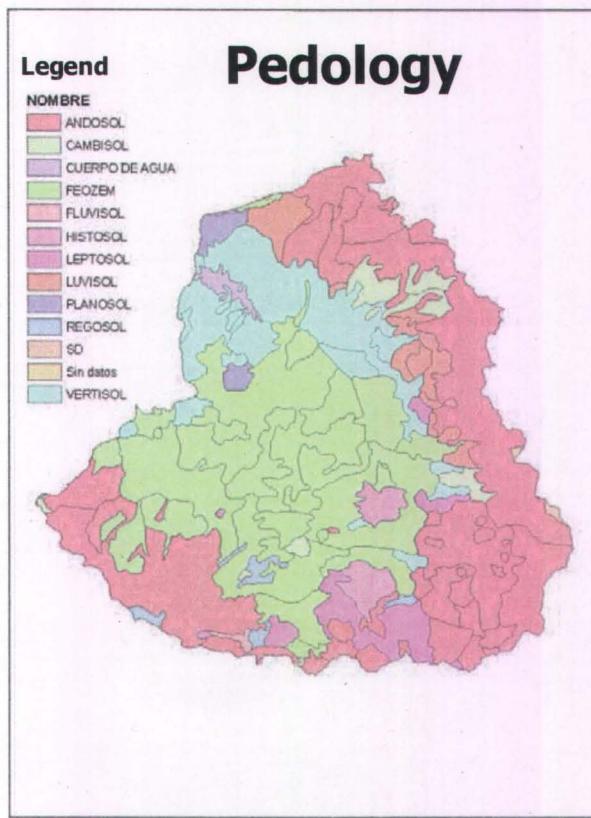


Figure 1: 2D Pedology of the Toluca Valley used for the HELP3 Model.

Table 1: Pedology values used for porosity, Field Capacity, Wilting point,  $K_{sat}$ , and SCS Curve number.

Soil name	code	Code #	Help code	porosity	Field Capacity	Wilting Point	$K_{sat}$	SCS Curve # Type (A,B,C,D)
ANDOSOL	T	0	3	0.457	0.083	0,033	3,1E-03	B
PLANOSOL	W	1	24	0,365	0,305	0,202	2,7E-06	C
LUVISOL	L	2	26	0,445	0,393	0,277	1,9E-06	C
FEOZEM	H	3	6	0,453	0,19	0,085	7,2E-04	B
VERTISOL	V	4	28	0,452	0,411	0,311	1,2E-06	D
CAMBISOL	B	5	3	0.457	0.083	0,033	3,1E-03	B
water		6	na	na	na	na	na	na
LEPTOSOL	I	7	1	0,417	0,045	0,018	1,0E-02	A
HISTOSOL	O	8	29	0,451	0,419	0,332	6,8E-06	D
REGOSOL	R	9	4	0,437	0,105	0,047	1,7E-03	A
FLUVISOL	J	10	2	0,437	0,062	0,024	5,8E-03	A

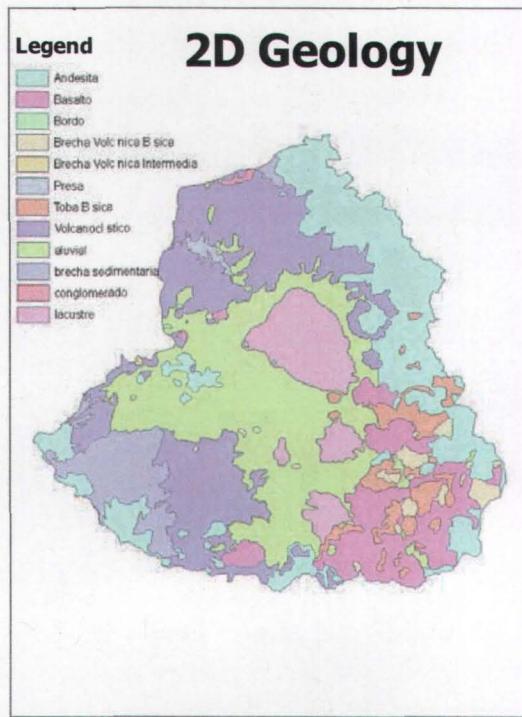


Figure 2: 2D Geology of the Toluca Valley used for the HELP3 Model. Included are values for porosity, Field Capacity, Wilting point,  $K_{sat}$ , and SCS Curve number.

Table 2: Geology values used for porosity, Field Capacity, Wilting point,  $K_{sat}$ , and SCS Curve number.

	Code #	Total Porosity	Field Capacity	Wilting Point	$K_{sat}$	SCS Curve #
Volcanoclasts	0	0,3	0,45	0,1	7,00E-04	B
Andesite	1	0,3	0,45	0,1	2,00E-04	C
Sedimentary Brechia	2	0,3	0,45	0,1	5,00E-03	C
Alluvial	3	0,437	0,062	0,024	3,00E-03	A
Conglomerate	4	0,3	0,45	0,1	2,00E-04	B
PRESA	5	0,2	0,5	0,4	2,00E-05	C
Lacustral	6	0,451	0,419	0,332	2,00E-07	D
BORDO	7	0,3	0,45	0,1	2,00E-04	B
Basalt	8	0,3	0,5	0,4	5,00E-04	C
Toba Basico	9	0,3	0,45	0,1	2,00E-04	B
Basic Volcanic Brecia	10	0,35	0,45	0,1	2,00E-04	C
Intermediate Volcanic Brecia	11	0,3	0,45	0,1	2,00E-04	C

## **Annexe H – Sources of Uncertainty**



In this appendix, the uncertainty in the quantification of land subsidence of the Toluca Valley is examined. There are several sources of uncertainty ranging from field data, remote sensing methods, and numerical modeling. With field data, the quality of the data gathered is a source of uncertainty, uncertainty can be attributed to measured parameters such as  $h$ ,  $S_s$   $S'_{skv}$ ,  $S'_{ske}$ ,  $K$ ,  $\theta$ , compaction (Chapters 2, 3, 4), in turn uncertainty can be attributed to the quality of the generated products: 3D geological model (Chapter 4), the water balance (recharge, discharge, deficit) (Chapter 2).

With InSAR generated results, there are also several sources of uncertainty. The quality of the satellite image gathered, the method for generating the interferogram, the quality of the subsidence maps (unwrapping techniques used) are all sources of uncertainty. It should be noted that the quality of the DEM can reduce uncertainty. In Chapter 3 it is noted that a higher resolution DEM was not available for the Toluca Valley, thus an SRTM 90 m was used.

In addition to the above uncertainties, the modeling aspect of the work presented in this thesis is also a source of uncertainty. Using an instantaneous compaction approach to modeling the behaviours of the Toluca Valley clays are also a source of uncertainty. Incorporating other physical characteristics, such as time delays, hydraulic conductivity dependence, and others could improve the uncertainty. Additionally, the numerical method used to solve the equations: finite difference vs. finite element or implicit vs. explicit solution techniques are sources of uncertainty. .

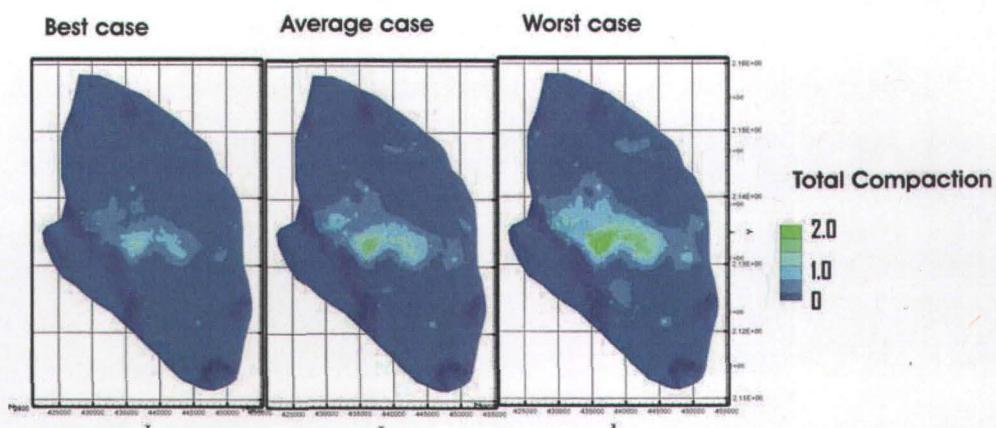
Thus, the choice of the parameters chosen to analyze uncertainty in the subsidence of the Toluca Valley is arbitrary. Since pumping scenarios for future simulations (best case, worst case, average case) (Chapter 5), and climate change (Chapter 2) were examined, the focus of this uncertainty analysis focuses on the material properties and more specifically on varying the elastic skeletal specific storage ( $S'_{skv}$ ). This parameter is by far the most sensitive material property parameter to compaction representation.

Based on table 1, the  $S'_{skv}$  for the clay layers were varied by both 0.5 and 1 order of magnitude. That is to say that the clay layers (layers 1, 4, 9, and 12) were varied upward and downward by half an order of magnitude. The values were varied based on field observation.

*Table 1: Description of material properties for the Toluca Valley.*

Clay layer	Average case	Best case	Worst case
Clay layer 1	3,7E-6	8,7E-7	8,7E-6
Clay layer 2	4,2E-7	9,2E-8	9,2E-6
Clay layer 3	4,4E-7	9,4E-8	9,4E-7
Clay layer 4	7,5E-7	2,5E-7	2,5E-6

The results of the simulations are presented in Figure 1. As predicted, results show that  $S'_{skv}$  is a very sensitive parameter. There are very



*Figure 1 Total compaction (m) for the best case, average case and worst case, varying  $S'_{skv}$*

The average expected subsidence is 1.3 m. Maximum subsidence in the best case and worst case scenarios are 0.9 m and 2.0 m respectively. The exercise has shown the importance of accurate and a large quantity of field data. A better characterization of the geological structure and better estimates for  $S'_{skv}$  will decrease uncertainty in the results and improve predictions.