



# **Developing optimal diffuse pollution management strategies in an agricultural watershed under future climate change**

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# Introduction

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### Agricultural practices

#### Tillage practices



#### Fertilizer scattering



Agricultural area in Yeongsan-  
river watershed : **40 %**

NPS  
pollutants  
runoff

### Algal blooms

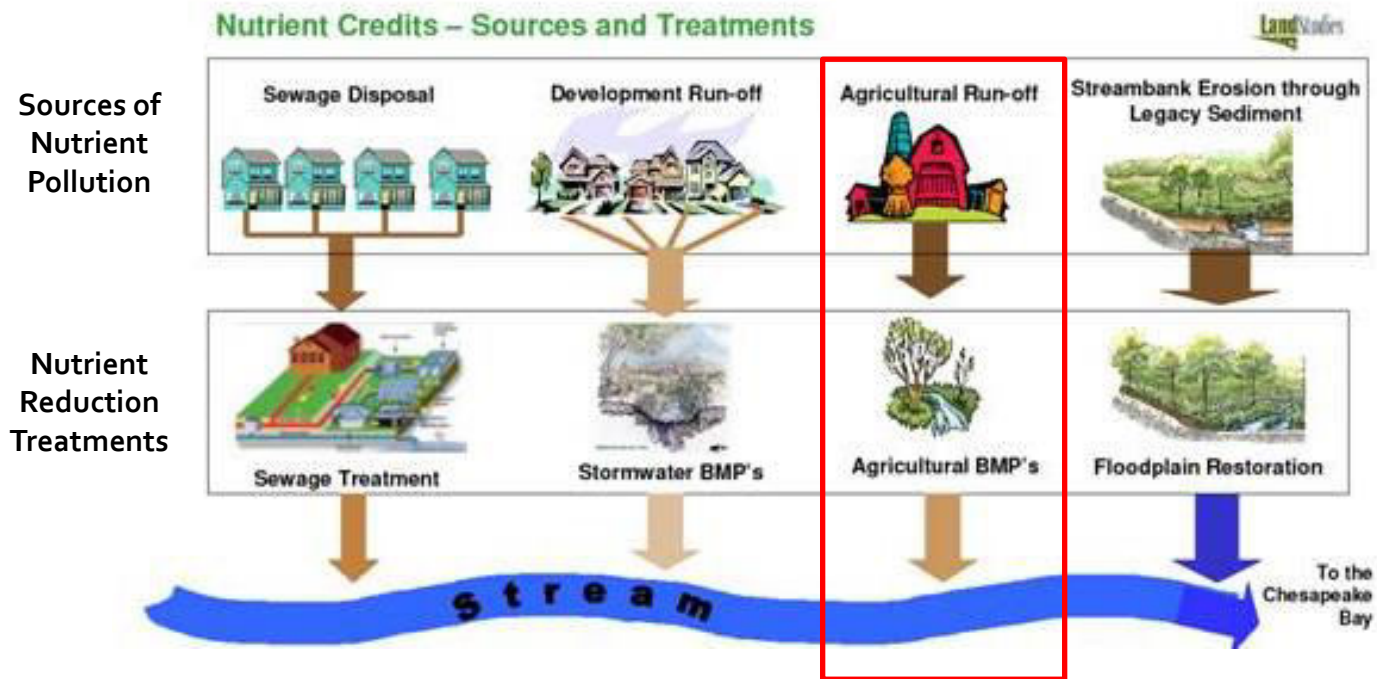


How to reduce the  
NPS pollutants  
efficiently?



- ✓ Algae blooms in large rivers in Korea have been a big problem every year
- ✓ Eutrophication of freshwater can be lead to the algae blooms

- **Solution** : To suggest the best management practices (BMPs)

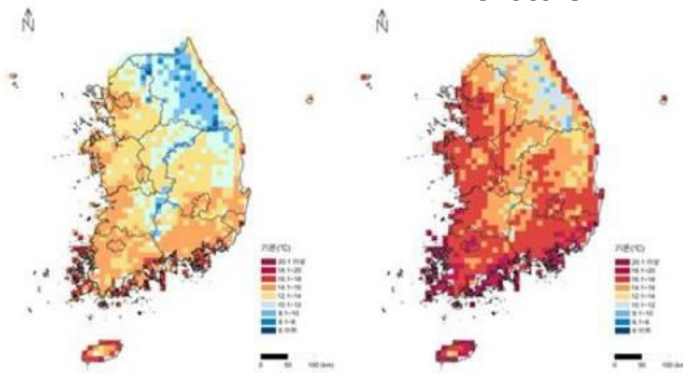


✓ An alternative way to moderate nonpoint sources loading and improve water quality by controlling runoff, sediments and nutrients, in agricultural watersheds.

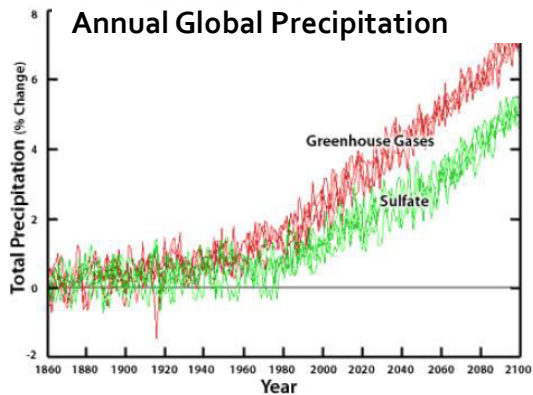
## Climate Change

The present

The future

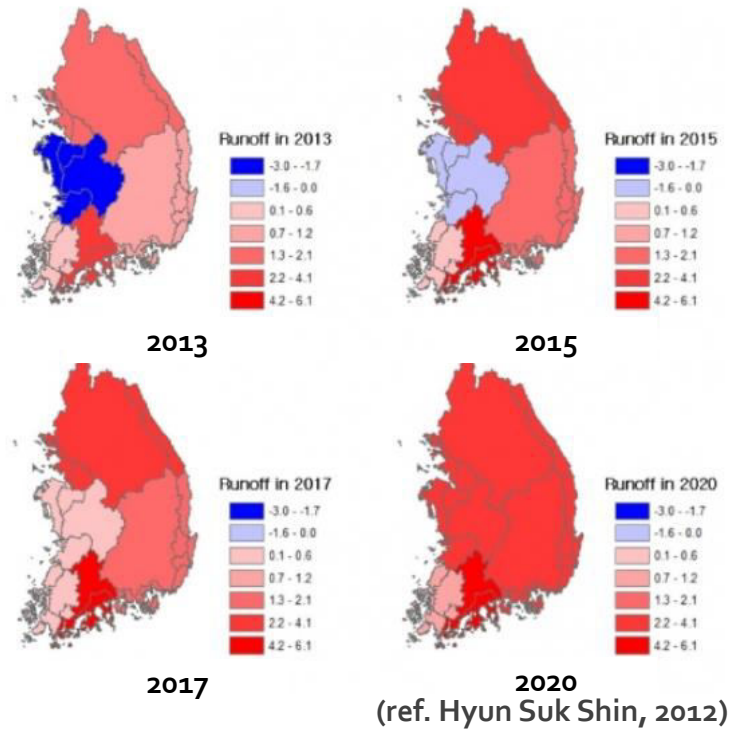


(ref. Jong-Suk Kim, 2011)



(ref. EPA)

## Runoff Change



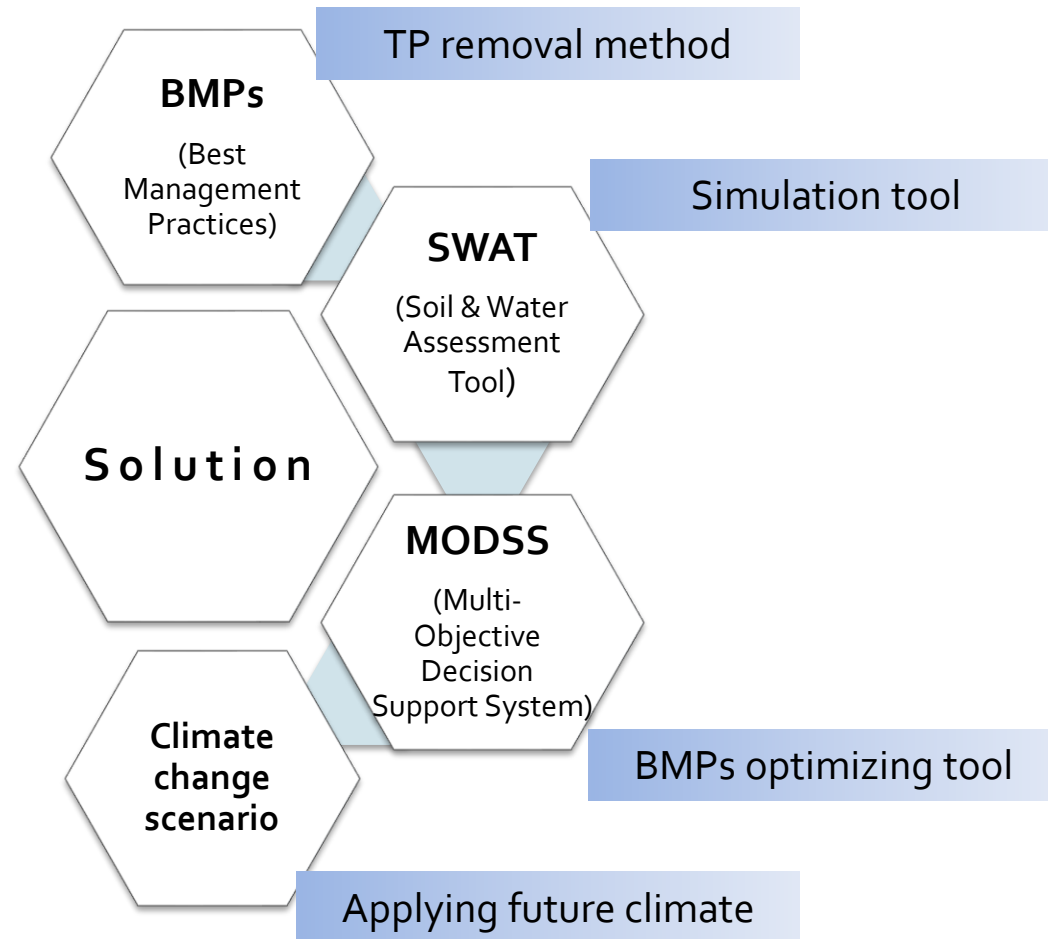
(ref. Hyun Suk Shin, 2012)

BMPs can be changed

✓ Climate change impacts on runoff change, also BMPs can be changed with runoff change

### Objective

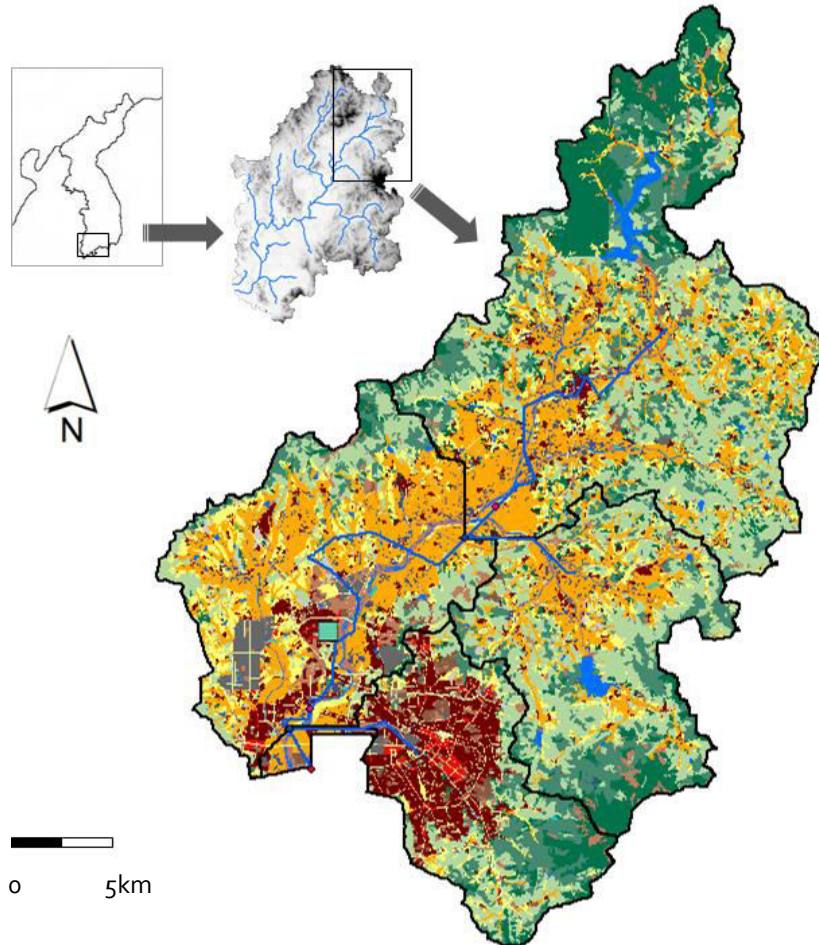
- ✓ To develop a hydrologic model for forecasting the flow, sediment, and TP in Yeongsan River
- ✓ To estimate the TP removal efficiency of BMPs using hydrologic model
- ✓ To analyze the variation of optimized BMPs according to climate change





# Methodology



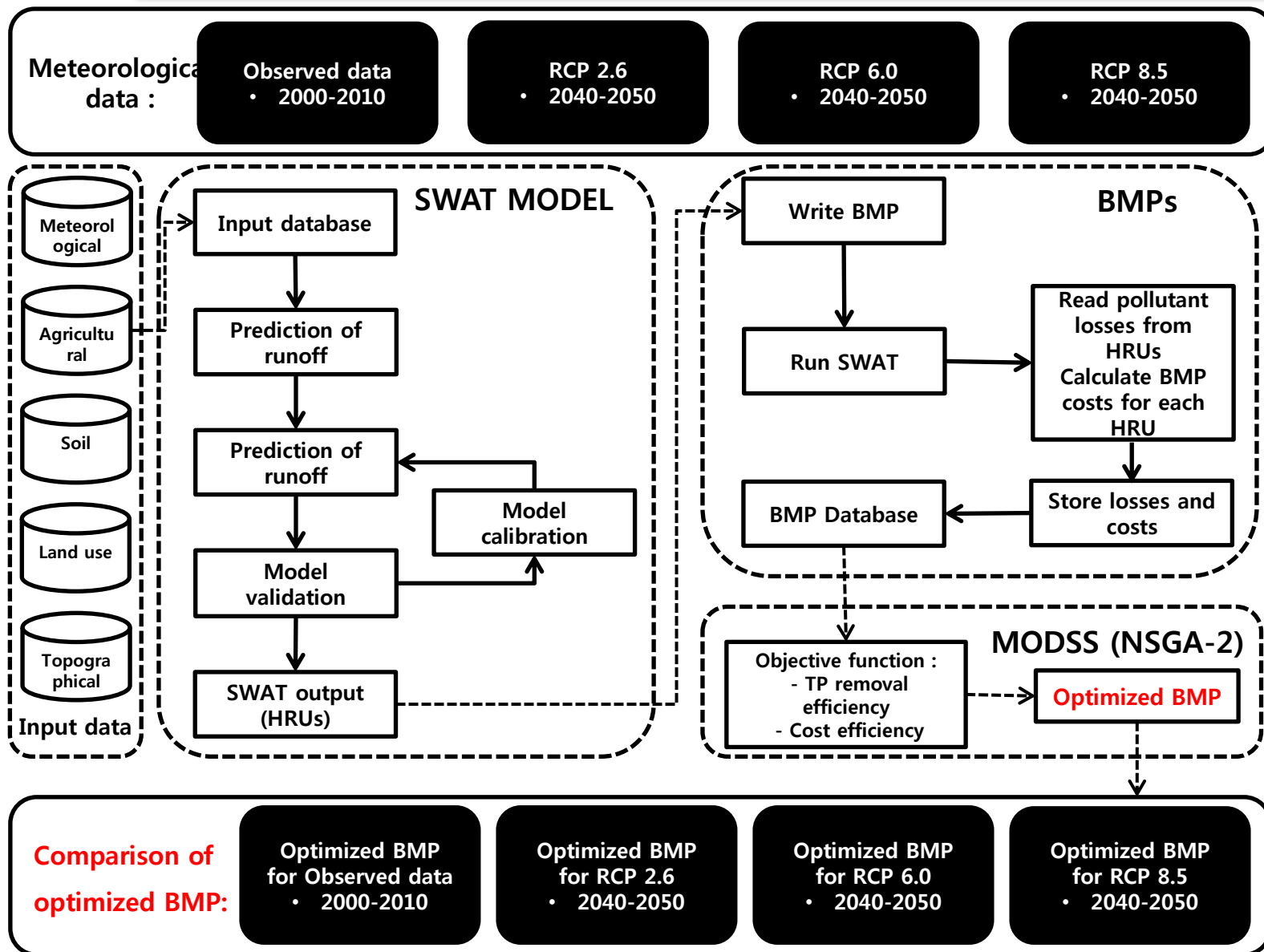


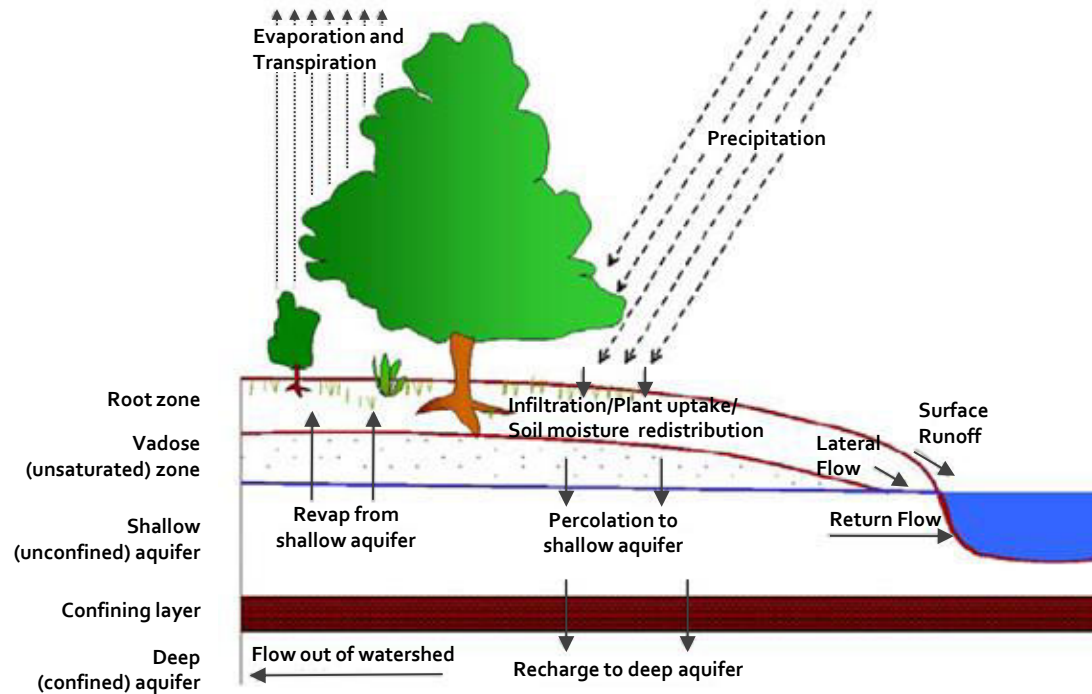
- Area [km<sup>2</sup>] : 724.37
- The number of sub-basins : 9
- The number of agricultural HRU : 98
- The number of Rice HRU : 39
- The number of Soybean HRU : 59

Land Use	Area (%)
Forest-Evergreen	24.85
<b>Rice</b>	<b>21.08</b>
Forest-Mixed	12.34
Forest-Deciduous	10.94
<b>Soybean</b>	<b>8.66</b>
Residential-High Density	7.87

✓ HRU(Hydrologic Response Unit) is classified by land use, slope, and soil component

# Methodology Flow Chart





✓ SWAT is a basin-scale and continuous-time hydrologic model with GIS interface

✓ Water balance equation :  $SW_t = SW_o + \sum_{i=1}^t (R_{day} - Q_{surf} - E_a - w_{seep} - Q_{gw})$

$SW_t$ : final soil water content,  $SW_o$ : initial soil water content,  $t$ : time,  $i$ : day,

$R_{day}$ : amount of precipitation,  $Q_{surf}$ : amount of surface runoff,  $E_a$ : amount of evapotranspiration,

$w_{seep}$ : amount of water entering the vadose zone from the soil profile,  $Q_{gw}$ : amount of return flow

### ➤ Simulation Period : 11 years (2000 – 2010)

2000-2002

Spin Up

2003-2006

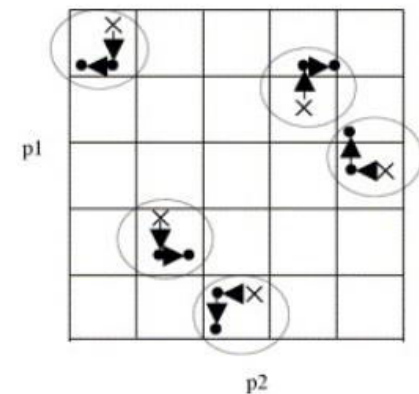
Calibration

2007-2010

Validation

### ➤ Sensitivity analysis : LH-OAT (Latin hypercube one-factor-at-a-time)

- ✓ To process by performing the LH samples in the role of initial points for a OAT design.
- ✓ The method to comprehend efficiently global sensitivity about the whole boundary of parameter.



### ➤ Calibration/Validation

- ✓ Procedure : Flow discharge -> Sediment -> TP
- ✓ Flow discharge : SCE-UA(Shuffled complex evolution at university of Arizona) method was used to analyze optimization in a single run.
- ✓ Sediment, TP : Pattern search using MATLAB

## ➤ List of representation of simulated BMPs

### ✓ Rice area

	BMP type	Cost (\$/ha)
1	Conservation Tillage (CT)	0
2	Parallel Terrace (PT)	74.9
3	contour Cropping (CC)	16.8
4	Detention Pond (DP)	99
5	CT/PT	74.9
6	CT/CC	16.8
7	CT/DP	99
8	CT/PT/DP	173.9
9	CT/CC/DP	115.8

### ✓ Soybean area

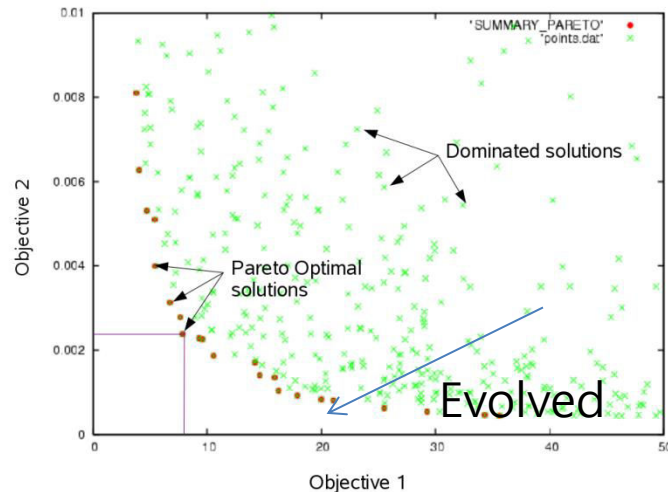
	BMP type	Cost (\$/ha)
10	Conservation Tillage (CT)	0
11	No Tillage (NT)	17.25
12	Parallel Terrace (PT)	74.9
13	Contour Cropping (CC)	16.8
14	Detention Pond (DP)	99
15	Riparian Buffers (RB) 10m	29.35
16	CT/PT	74.9
17	CT/CC	16.8
18	CT/DP	99
19	CT/RB	29.35
20	NT/PT	92.15
21	NT/CC	34.05
22	NT/DP	116.25
23	NT/RB	46.6
24	CT/PT/DP	173.9
25	CT/CC/DP	115.8
26	CT/PT/RB	104.25
27	CT/CC/RB	46.15
28	NT/PT/DP	191.15
29	NT/CC/DP	133.05
30	NT/PT/RB	121.5
31	NT/CC/RB	63.4

### ✓ Simulated BMPs by SWAT

BMP	Parameter	Value
Conservation Tillage (CT)	Till ID: 3	
	CN2	CN2-2
Parallel Terrace (PT)	OV_N	0.30
	CN2	CN2-5
	P-factor	0.1 if slope = 1 to 2% 0.12 if slope = 3 to 8%
Contour Cropping (CC)	CN2	CN2-3
	P-factor	0.5 if slope = 1 to 2% 0.6 if slope = 3 to 8%
Detention Pond (DP)	pnd_k	0
	pnd_fr	0.01
	pnd_ESA	0.75
Nutrient Management (NM)	Amount of fertilizer	-25%
Riparian Buffers (RB)	FILTERW	10

### ➤ NSGA-2 (Non-dominated Sorting Genetic Algorithm-2)

#### ✓ Pareto-optimal front (Non-dominated sorting)

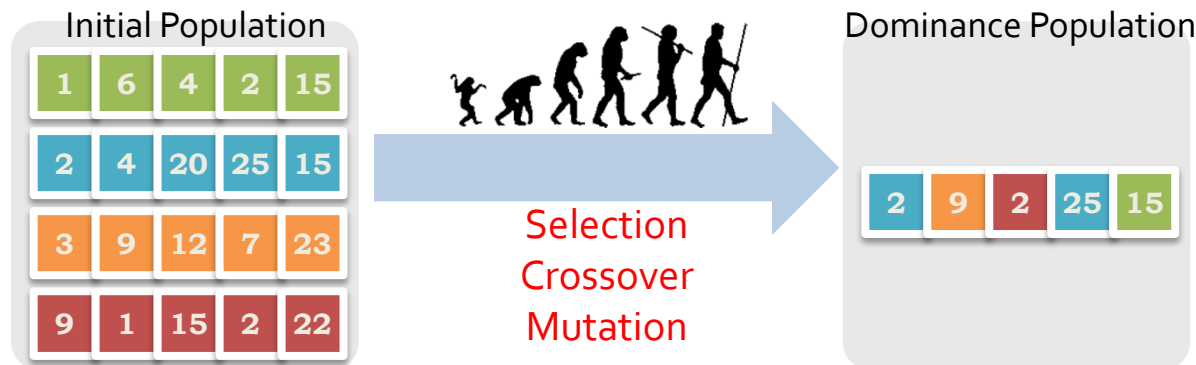


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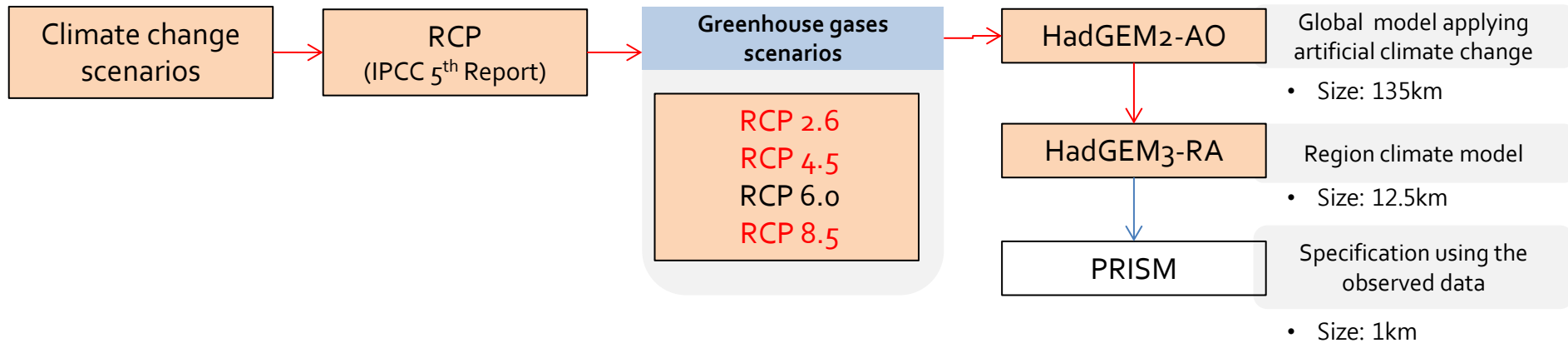
#### ✓ Objective function

- 1) Minimizing TP loads
- 2) Minimizing cost for implementing BMPs

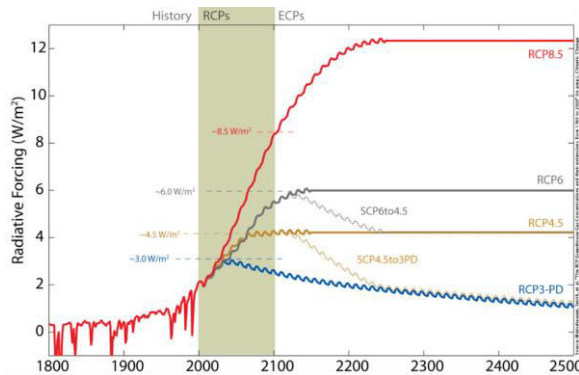
#### ✓ Principle of Genetic Algorithms



### ➤ Scenario information



### ➤ RCP Scenario



RCP	Definition
2.6	Earth overcome the impact from human activity by one self.
4.5	Greenhouse gas reduction policy was realized considerably.
6.0	Greenhouse gas reduction policy was realized in some degree
8.5	Greenhouse gas was emitted without reduction

✓ The more RCP number increase, greenhouse gas is much more emitted .



# Results

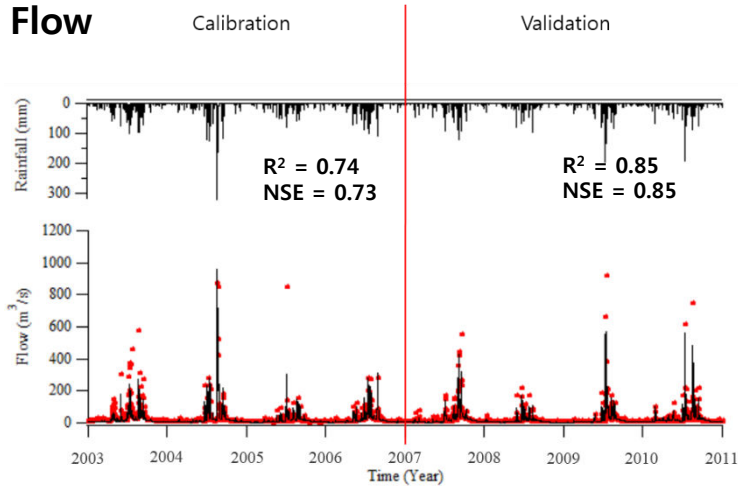
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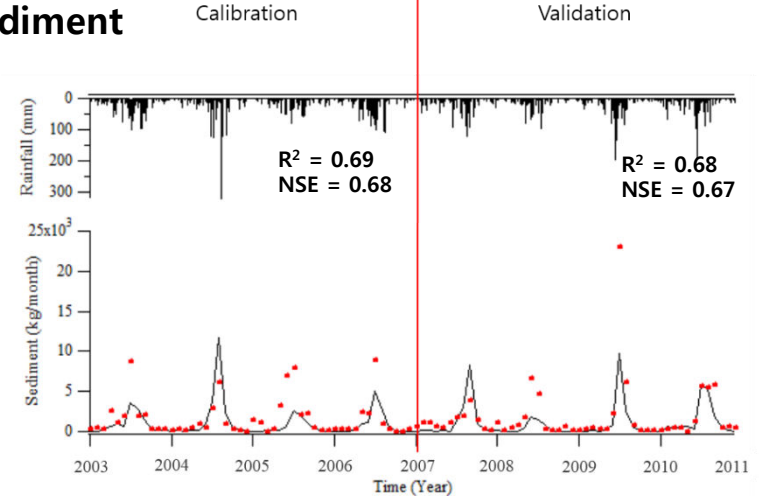
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— Simulation

### ➤ Simulation results

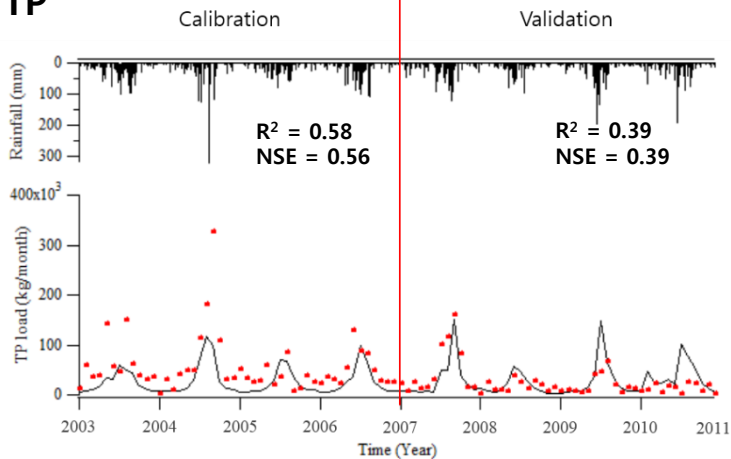
- **Flow**



- **Sediment**

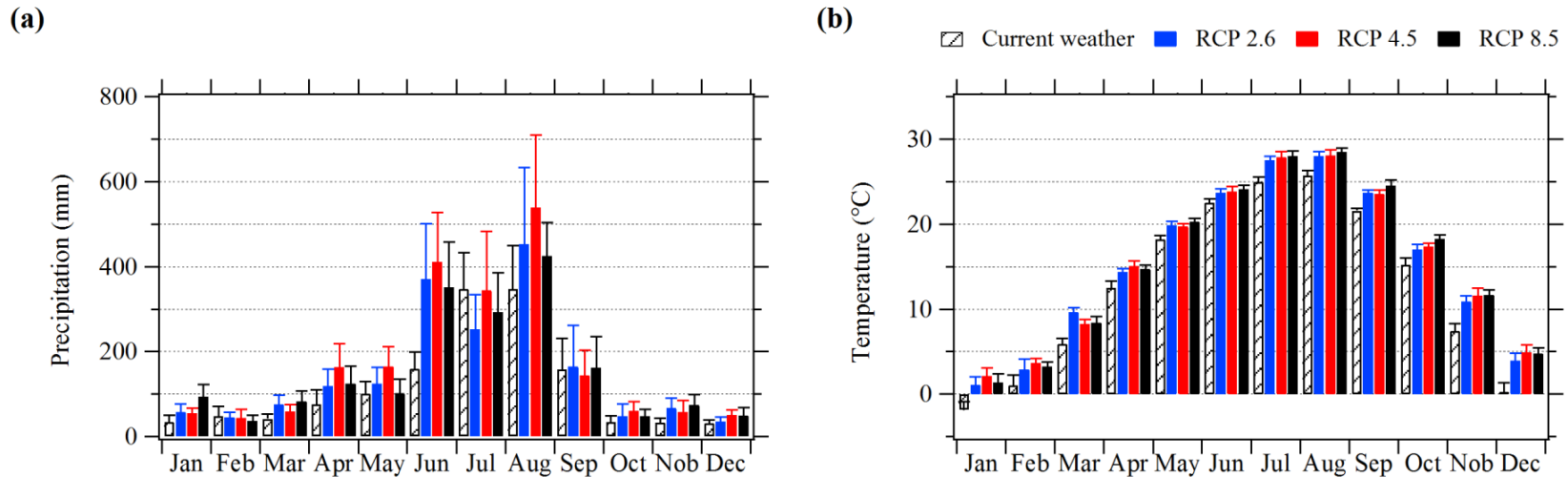


- **TP**



✓ Typically values of  $R^2$  and NSE greater than 0.5 are considered acceptable.

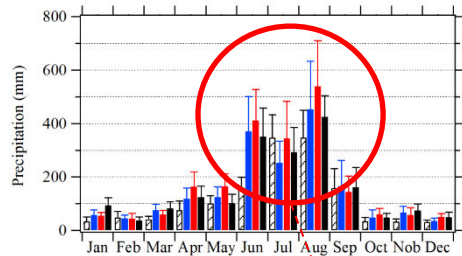
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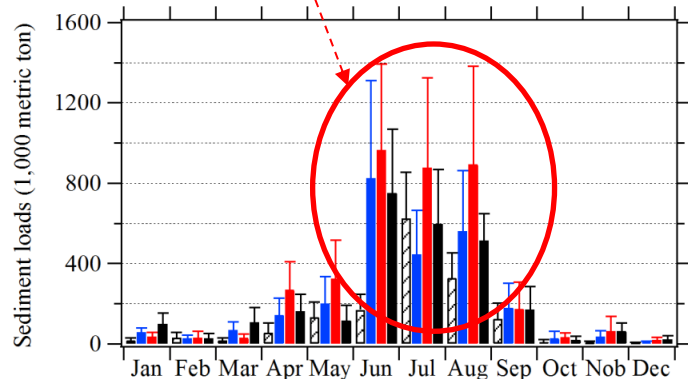
- ✓ Monthly precipitation of RCP were **distinctly higher** than current precipitation during Jun to Aug except for Jul.
- ✓ Especially, **RCP 4.5** shows extreme change of precipitation than current precipitation.
- ✓ In case of monthly temperature, RCP were higher than current temperature values  
(**RCP 8.5 > RCP 4.5 > RCP 2.6**)

### ➤ Comparison of different weather inputs and their resulting outputs

(a)

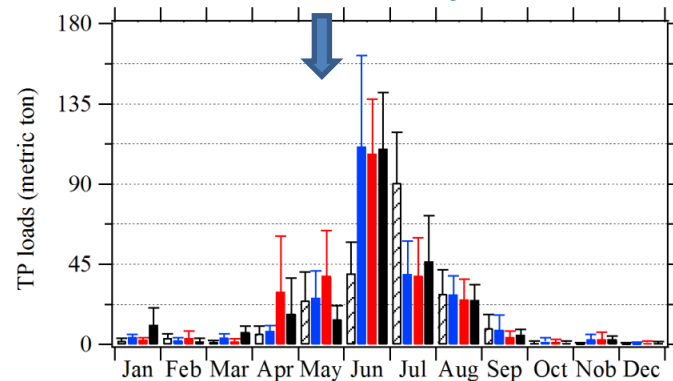


(b)



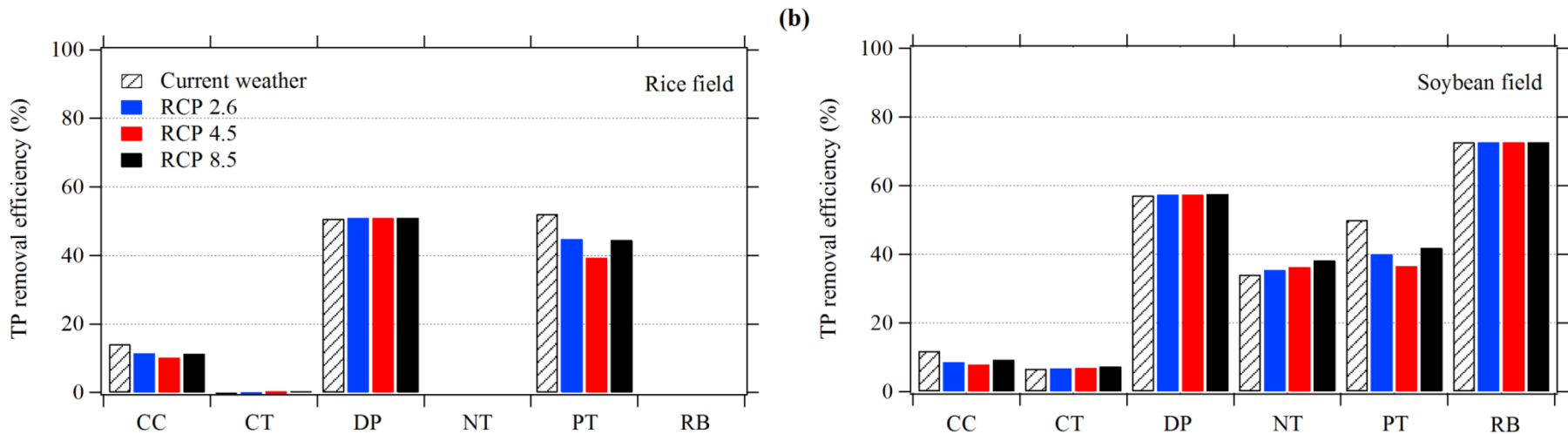
(d)

Timing of fertilizer application:  
the end of may



- ✓ Monthly sediment loads affected by increase in precipitation in summer season, and show similar monthly trend with precipitation intensity.
- ✓ However, TP loads appeared different patterns compared with monthly precipitation.
- ✓ It seems to be related with timing of fertilizer application.
- ✓ TP loads increased immediately after fertilizer application with increase in precipitation June.

### ➤ TP removal efficiency under different climate condition

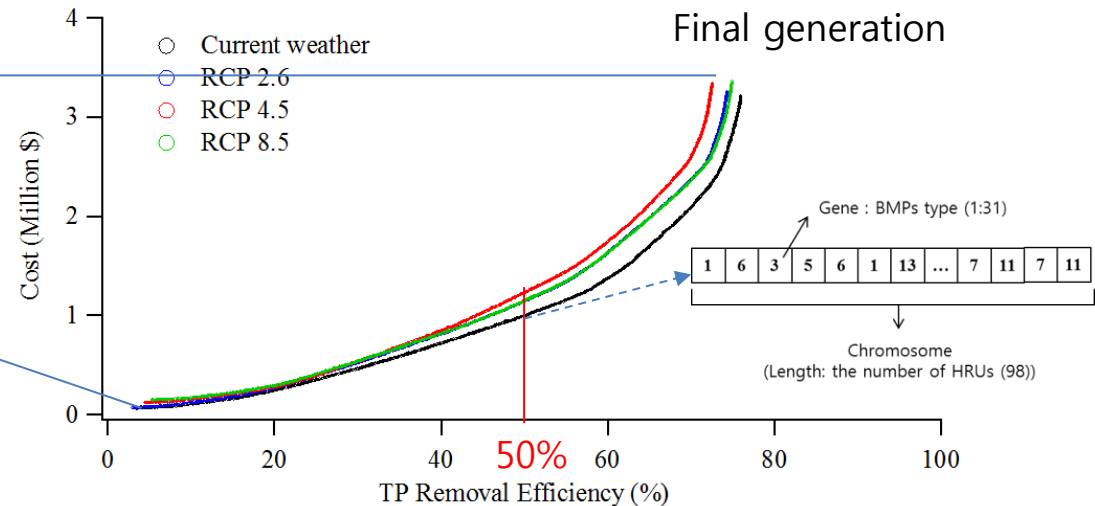
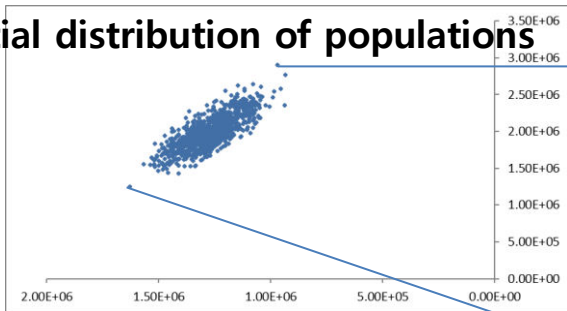


- ✓ In case of rice field, DP shows constant removal efficiency regardless of climate, PT was changed under different climate scenarios.
- ✓ PT shows better efficiency than DP under current climate condition. However, DP shows better efficiency than PT under future climate condition.
- ✓ In case of soybean field, RB shows remarkable removal efficiency compared with the other BMPs.

### ➤ MODSS(NSGA-2)

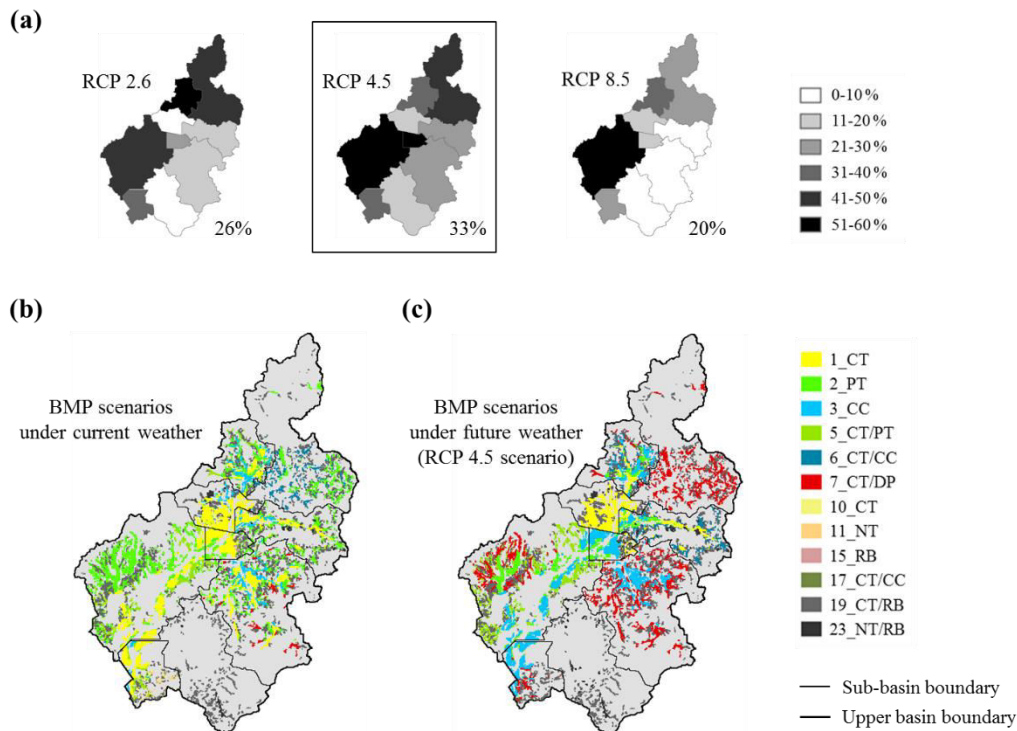
- ✓ Generation number: 16,000
- ✓ Population size: 1,000

Initial distribution of populations



- ✓ MODSS result under RCP 4.5 shows the most different populations distribution compared with result under current climate.
- ✓ the criteria for choosing one population(BMPs allocation) is TP removal efficiency of 50%

## ➤ Optimal BMP strategies under climate condition



✓ Sub-basin scale: The amount change in the types of BMP assigned for individual sub-basins between current and any of these future weather scenarios

✓ HRU scale:

- Current climate: CT, PT
- Future climate: CC, DP

**Conservation Till. (CT)**



**Contour Cropping (CC)**



**Parallel Terrace (PT)**



**Detention Pond (DP)**



- The prediction of **flow discharge and sediment** from SWAT model was appeared **suitable goodness of fit**, however the **TP** prediction from SWAT model was appeared **not suitable goodness of fit** in study area.
- **In the rice area, contour cropping** was the BMP which could be optimized by the modeling approach.
- **In the soybean area, conservation tillage and riparian buffer** were the BMPs which could be optimized by the modeling approach.
- **The optimized BMPs** in many HRUs **are changed** with future climate change.
- This study can open new approach **to implement the BMPs by considering the future climate change** and **improve the water quality** of Yeongsan River

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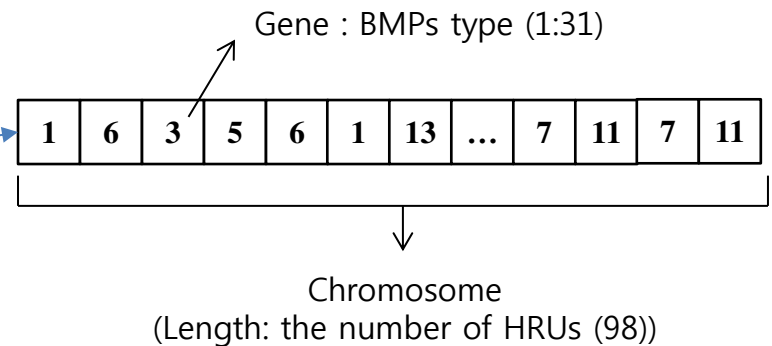
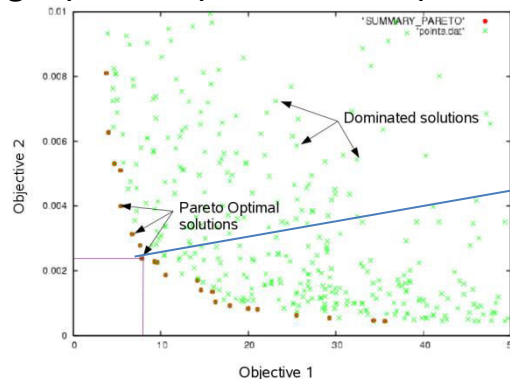
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## ➤ NSGA-2 (Non-dominated Sorting Genetic Algorithm-2)

- ✓ Composition of chromosome

In the graph, the points are represented as the chromosomes



- ✓ Objective function
  - 1) Minimizing TP loads
  - 2) Minimizing cost for implementing BMPs
- ✓ Input matrix
  - 1) TP loads according to BMP types of each HRUs
  - 2) needed cost according to BMP types of each HRUs

### ➤ Bias correction for precipitation

- ✓ Local intensity scaling (LOCI) method

#### Step1

$$P_{contr*1}(d) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } P_{contr}(d) < P_{th,contr} \\ P_{contr}(d), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$P_{scen*1}(d) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } P_{scen}(d) < P_{th,contr} \\ P_{scen}(d), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

#### Step3

$$P_{contr*}(d) = P_{contr*1}(d) * s$$

$$P_{scen*}(d) = P_{scen*1}(d) * s$$

#### Step2

$$s = \frac{\mu_m(P_{obs}(d) | P_{obs}(d) > 0mm)}{\mu_m(P_{contr}(d) | P_{contr}(d) > P_{th,contr}) - P_{th,contr}}$$

$P_{contr}(d)$ : daily precipitation RCM during 1979-2005,  
 $P_{contr*1}(d)$ : bias corrected daily precipitation of RCM during 1979-2005,  
 $P_{th,contr}$ : RCM-specific precipitation threshold,  
 $P_{scen}(d)$ : daily precipitation of RCM during 2040-2050,  
 $P_{scen*1}(d)$ : corrected daily precipitation of RCM during 2040-2050  
 $P_{obs}(d)$ : observed daily precipitation during 1979-2005  
 $S$ : scaling factor  
 $P_{contr*}(d)$ : bias-corrected daily precipitation of RCM during 1979-2005  
 $P_{scen*}(d)$ : bias-corrected daily precipitation of RCM during 2040-2050

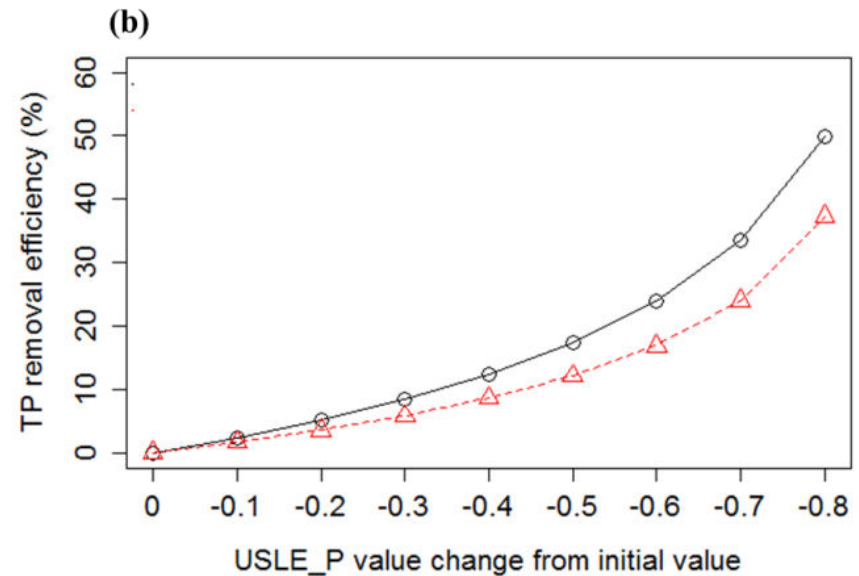
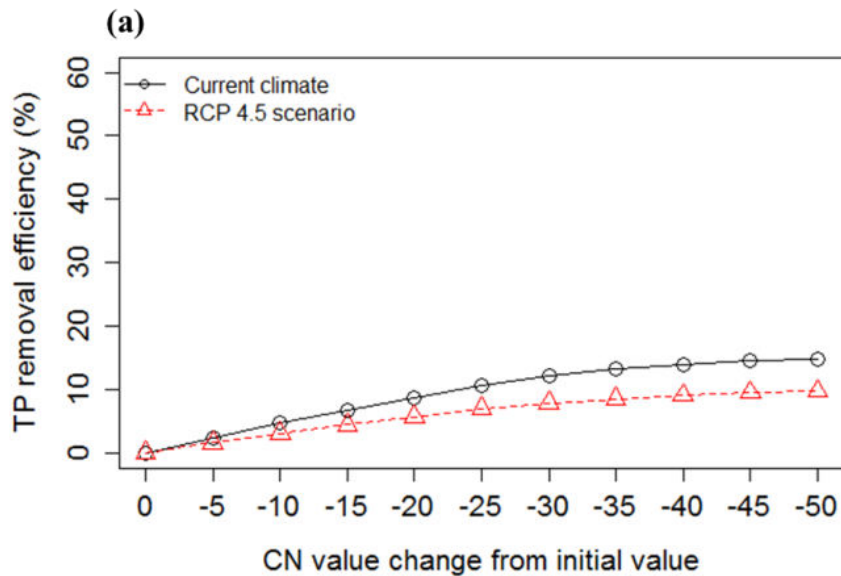
### ➤ Bias correction for temperature

- ✓ Linear scaling approach method

$$T_{RCM*} = T_{RCM} + (T_{mean.his} - T_{RCM.his})$$

$T_{mean.his}$ : observed yearly mean temperature during 1979-2005  
 $T_{RCM.his}$ : RCM yearly mean temperature during 1979-2005  
 $T_{RCM}$ : RCM daily temperature during 2040-2050  
 $T_{RCM*}$ : bias-corrected daily temperature of RCM during 2040-2050

## ➤ MODSS results (future climate)



- ✓ CN value and USLE\_P value were adjusted for applying management practices in SWAT model.
- ✓ TP removal efficiency was better for the current climate than for the RCP 4.5 when CN and USLE\_P values changed in the same degree.