



# Ensemble Post-Processor Update

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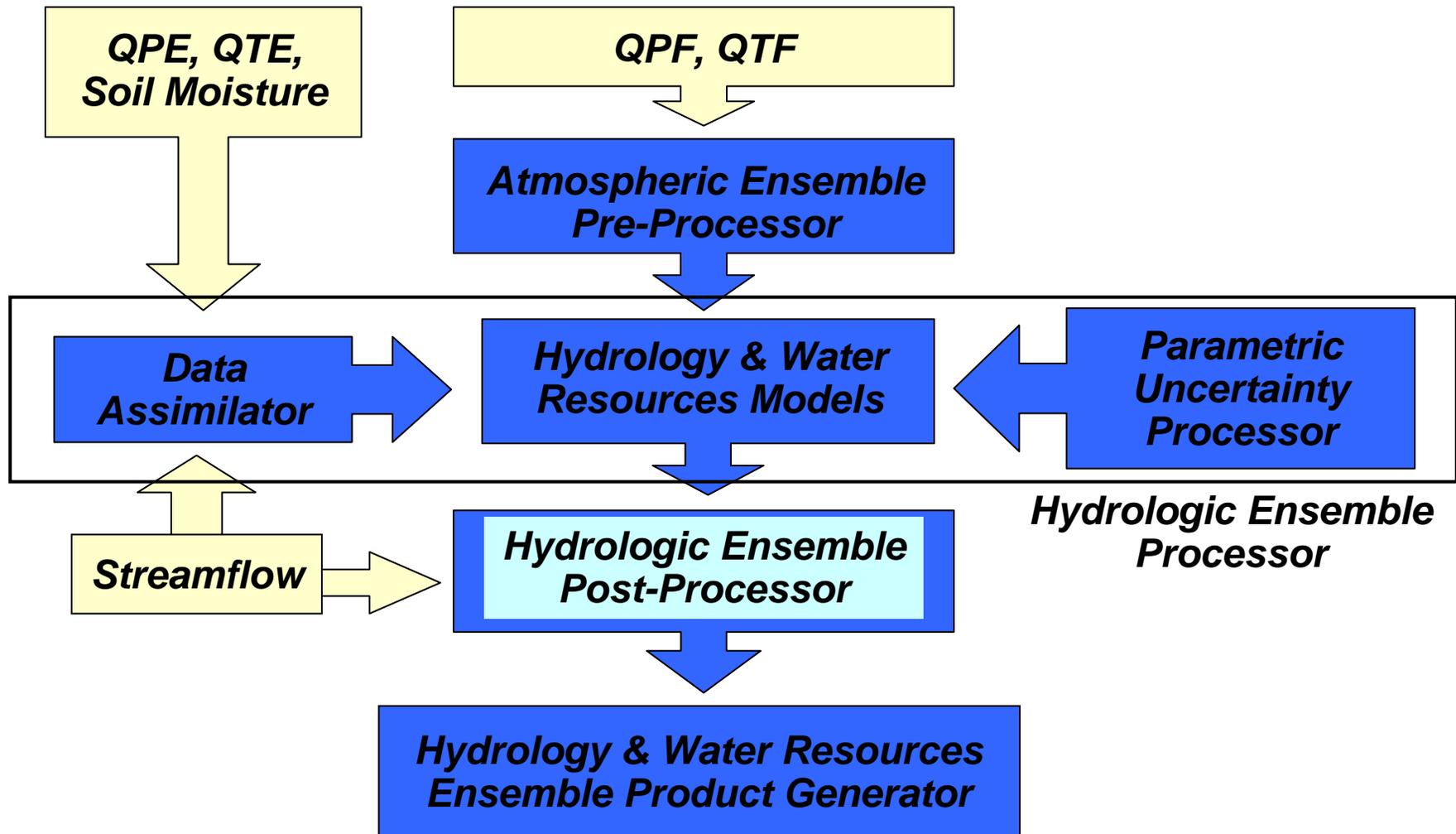
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# Elements of a Hydrologic Ensemble Prediction System





# FY06 Activities

- None
- Fix<sup>1</sup>, performance evaluation<sup>2</sup> and enhancement of the current post-processor (Seo et al. 2006, available at <http://www.copernicus.org/EGU/hess/hessd/3/1987/hessd-3-1987.htm>) were proposed, but not funded

<sup>1</sup>Resolve discrepancy in calibration results between the research version and the operational version

<sup>2</sup>Under idealized MOD conditions



# FY07 Activities

- AHPS funding expected
  - Adjust Q capability
  - Improved bias and uncertainty correction
  - Operation at sub-daily time steps (6-hrly)
  - Disaggregation of daily to 6-hrly flows
  - Assessment of sample size requirement (number of ensemble members needed)
  - *Explore statistical modeling of reservoir/regulations via post processor-like tools*



# Methodology

- Recursive linear regression in the normal space
  - Normal transformation is based on normal quantile transformation (NQT) of observed and model-simulated flows (daily)
- $Z^{\text{obs}}_K = (1-b) Z^{\text{obs}}_{K-1} + b Z^{\text{sim}}_K + \varepsilon$ 
  - $b$ , and mean and variance of  $\varepsilon$  are flow range- (low and high) and seasonality-dependent parameters



# Methodology (cont.)

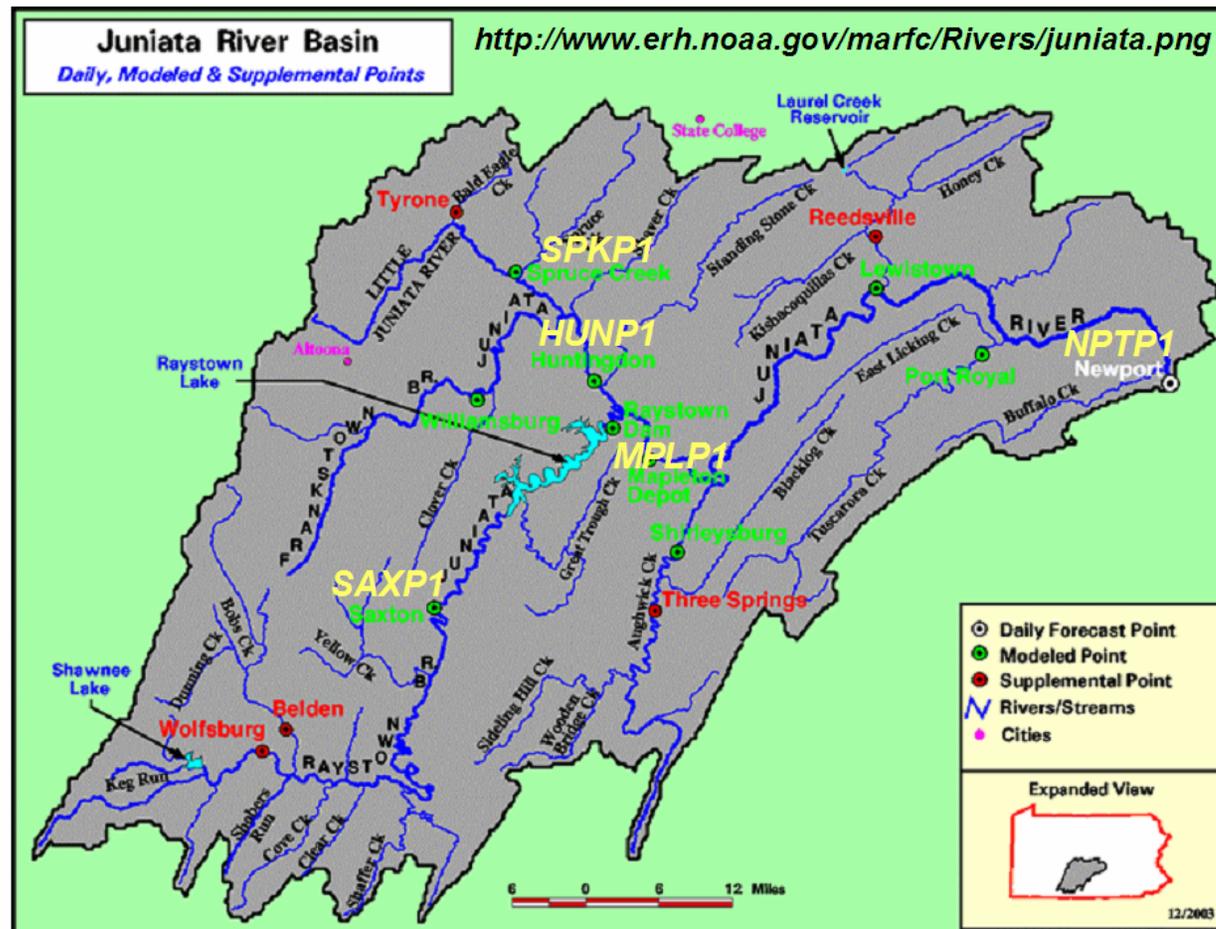
- Deterministic - Bias correction only
  - *Error Model 1*
    - Calculates conditional mean of  $Q_K^{\text{obs}}$  given  $Q_{K-L}^{\text{obs}}$  and  $Q_K^{\text{sim}}$
  - *Error Model 0*
    - Performs probability-matching (equivalent to Error Model 1 under  $b=1, \varepsilon=0$ )
- Stochastic - Bias correction and uncertainty accounting
  - *Error Model 2*
    - Generates ensembles via conditional simulation of  $Q_K^{\text{obs}}$  given  $Q_{K-L}^{\text{obs}}$  and  $Q_K^{\text{sim}}$



# Examples – MARFC/Juniata

The following 5 slides are excerpted from

<http://www.copernicus.org/EGU/hess/hessd/3/1987/hessd-3-1987.htm>



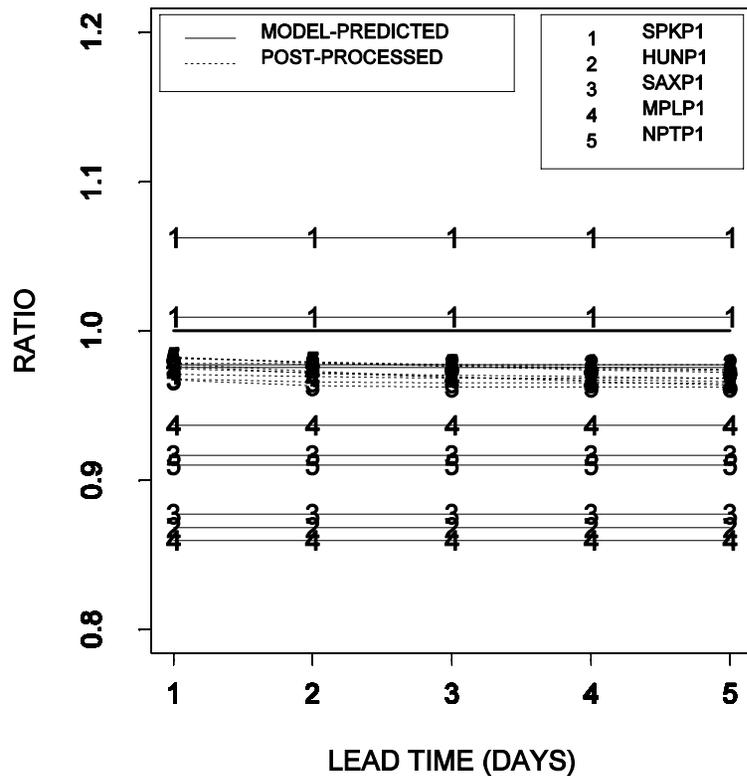


Fig 4. Ratio of the sum of the observed flow to that of the model-predicted (in solid line) or the post-processed (in dotted line) in the parameter estimation period versus lead time (days).

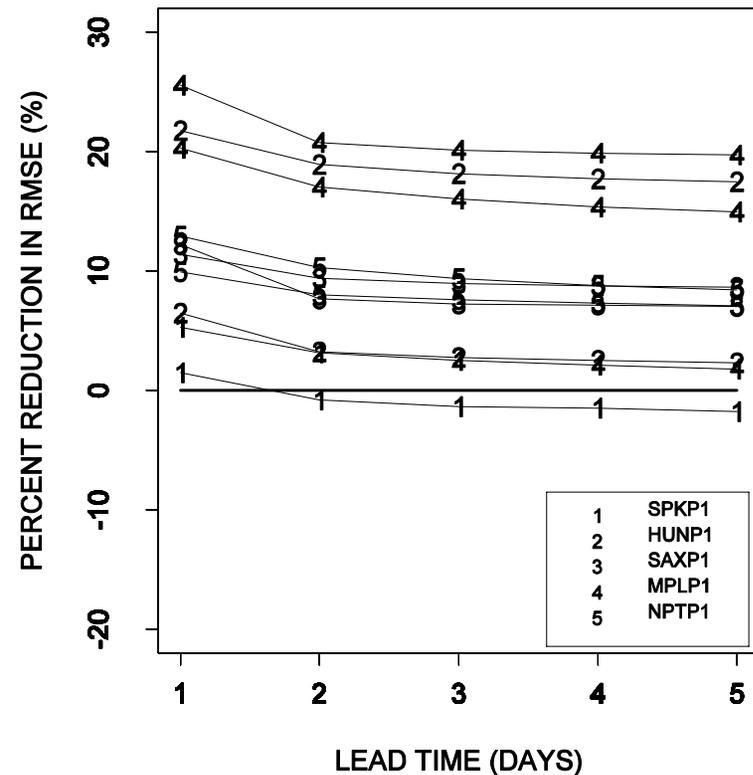


Fig 5. Percent reduction in root mean square error (RMSE) by the post-processed flow over the model-predicted in the parameter estimation periods versus lead time (days).

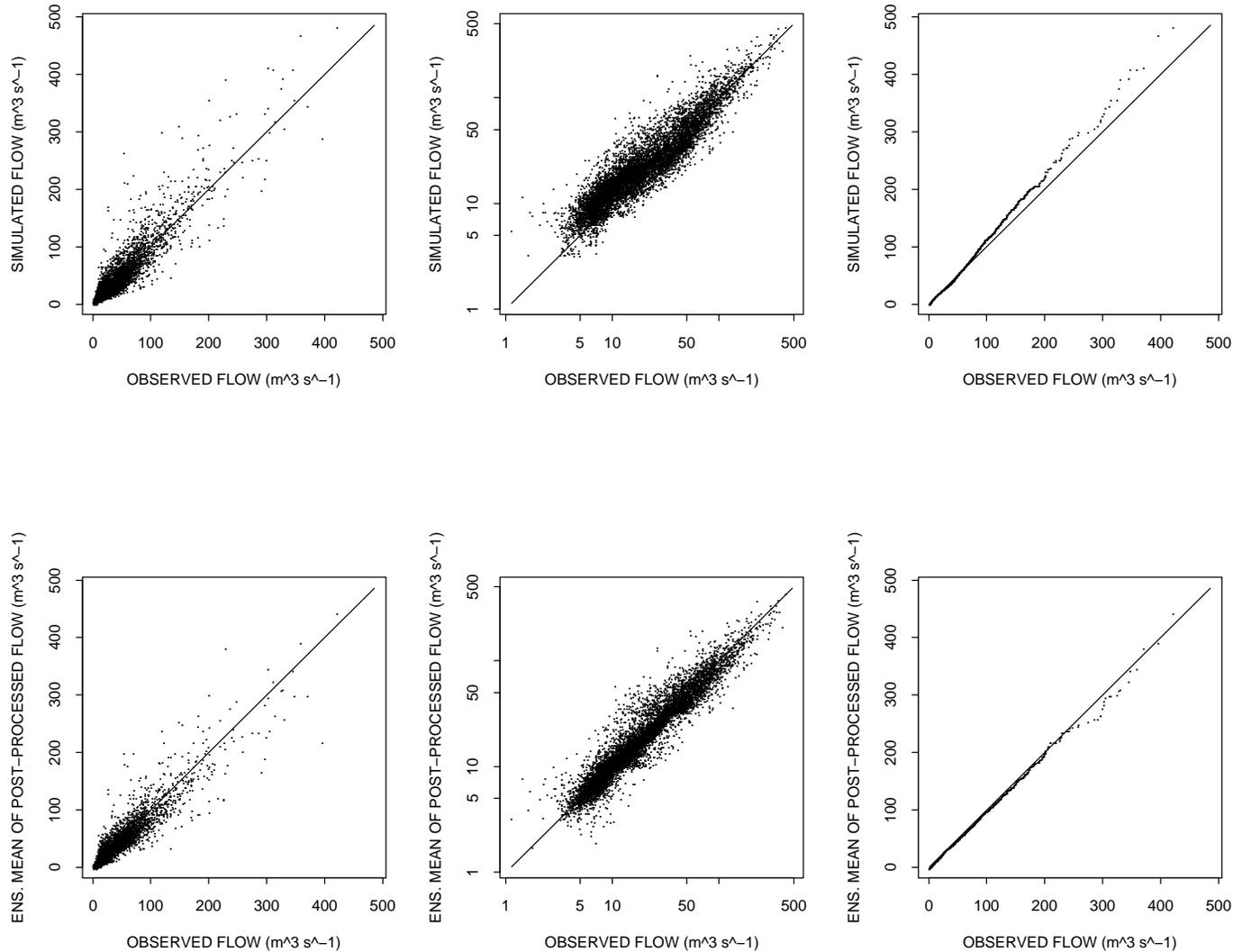


Fig 6. Scatter-plots in linear scale (left panels) and in log scale (middle panels), and quantile-quantile plots (right panels) of daily flow between the observed and the model-simulated flows (upper panels) and between the observed and the post-processed flows (lower panels) at HUNP1 for a parameter estimation period. The lead time is 1 day.

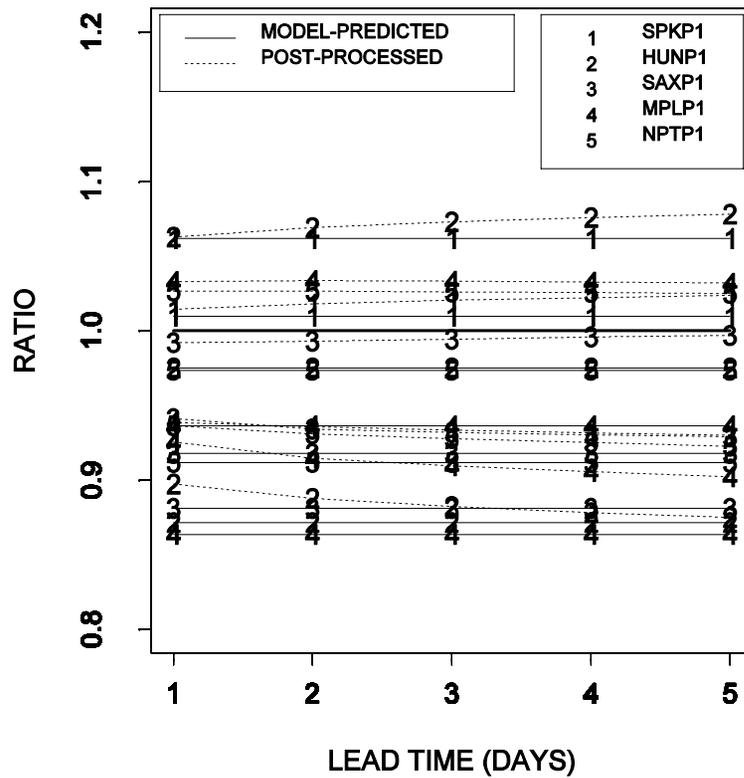


Fig 7. Same as Fig 4, but for the validation periods.

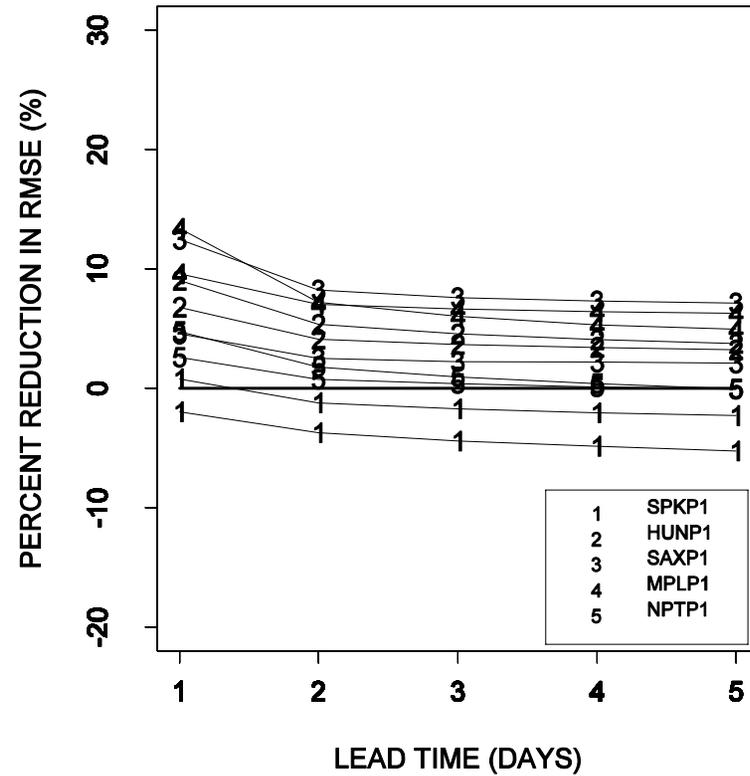
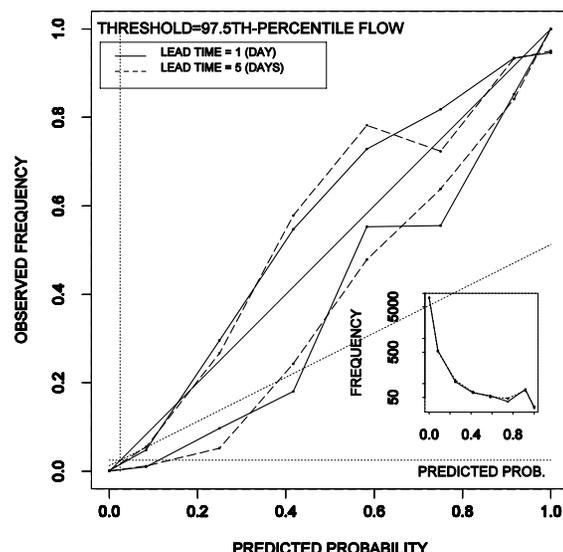
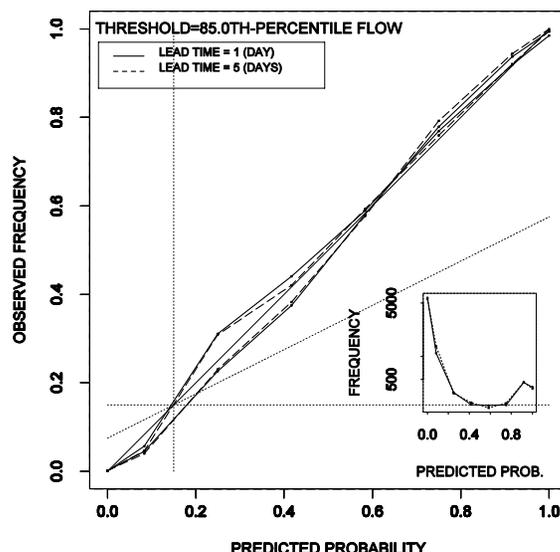
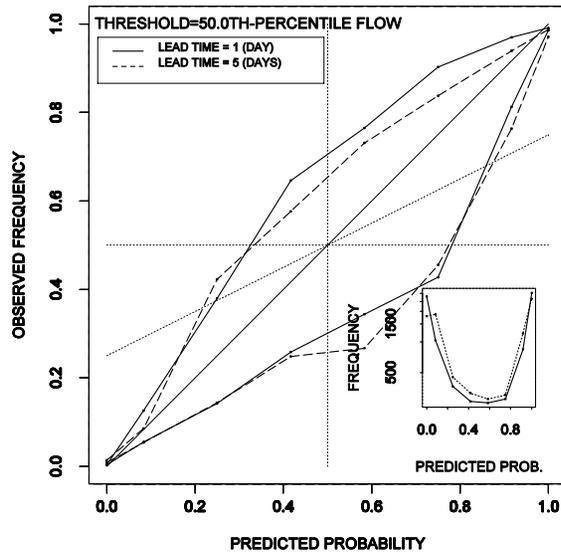
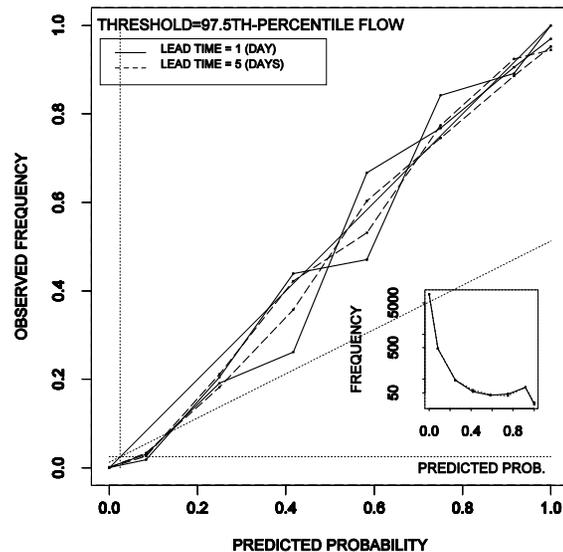
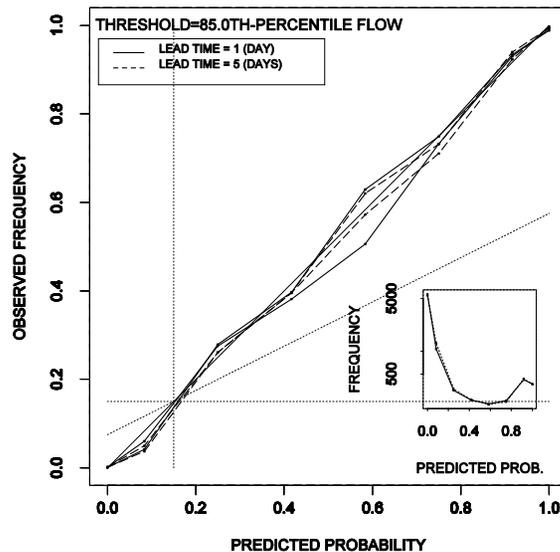
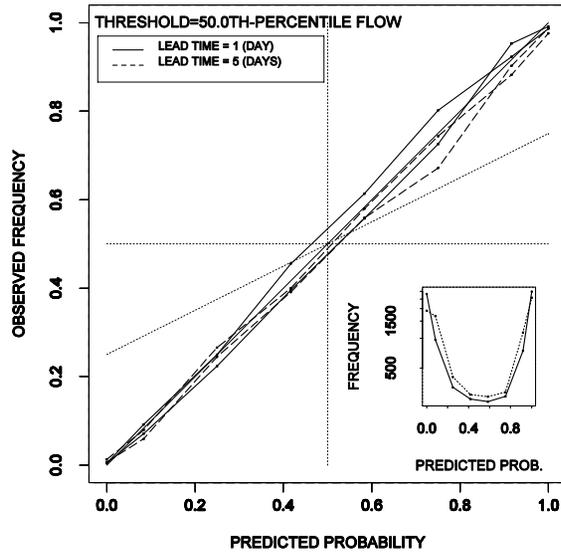


Fig 8. Same as Fig 5, but for the validation periods.



# Reliability diagrams of post-processed ensemble flows (daily) at 50th (left), 85th (middle) and 97.5th (right) percentiles for calibration (upper) and validation (lower) periods





# Thank you