Resilience by Design in CDMX and the Valle de México

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- Overexploitation of the aquifer is currently estimated at double the recharge rate,
- Subsidence in the city ranges from 4 to 26 cm per year, depending on part of city
- Losses in the distribution system estimated to be 42% of the total water supplied to the city (this includes water not accounted for, illegal capture and leakages).

- Equity and inclusivity are major issues; water scarcity and shortages are borne disproportionately by the poor
- Urban flooding and storm water management are a chronic problem.
- The system is highly vulnerable to earthquakes and slow to recover .

Water Management for Megacities

Urban areas account for under 3 percent of the world's land surface area (Akbari, Menon, & Rosenfeld, 2009) and yet are home to over half of the world's population (United Nations, 2018).





¿What can be done to improve resilience of water supply under future (uncertain) risks?

























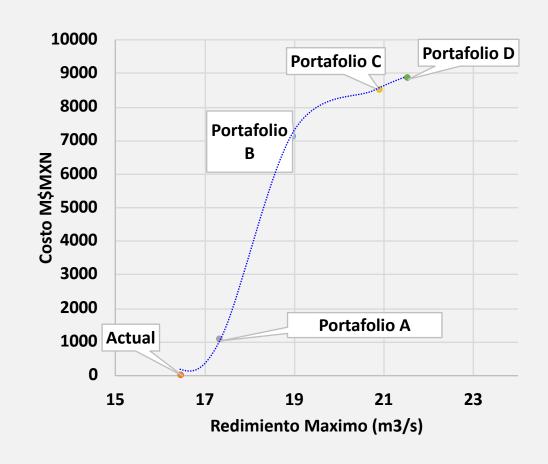




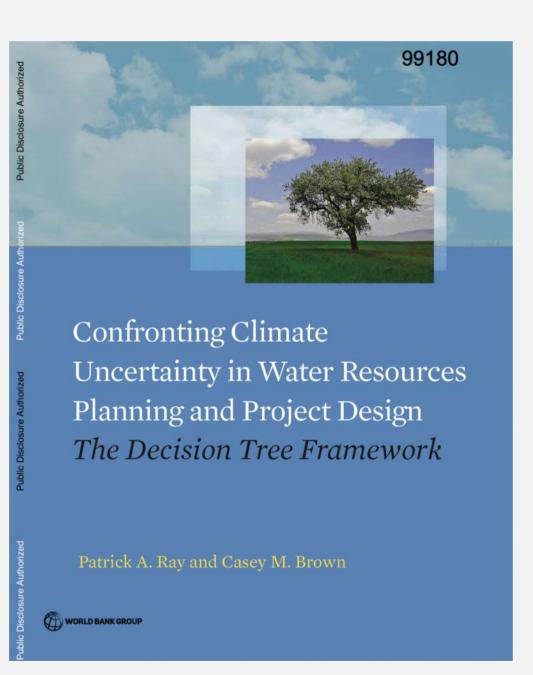
Traditional Water Resources Planning

Engineers (and economists) determine projects based on cost and yield.

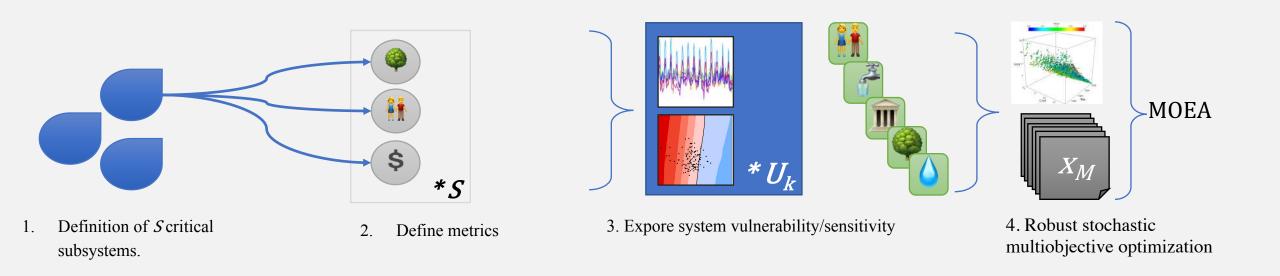
- What happens with future shocks?
- Climate change?
- Equity of distribution of benefits?
- Environment?



Resulting in solutions which are **FRAGILE**



Resilience by Design





Take Aways of RbD in the Valle de Mexico

Integrated approaches needed, particularly as system complexity and interdependence increase, bottom up approaches can be a tool for integrated systems approaches and cooperation

- Understanding system vulnerability (and sensitivity) to various uncertainties helps to build cooperation and discovery of new solutions
- Resilience of complex systems is likely to requires the exploration of solutions across space, time and actors

...but first, Stakeholders are Crucial!

- Stakeholder Engagement
 - 11 workshops with participants
 - >34 institutions
 - >70 participants
- Key input on:
 - Model formulation, validation, and data
 - Management objectives
 - Uncertain risk factors
 - Potential actions and solutions









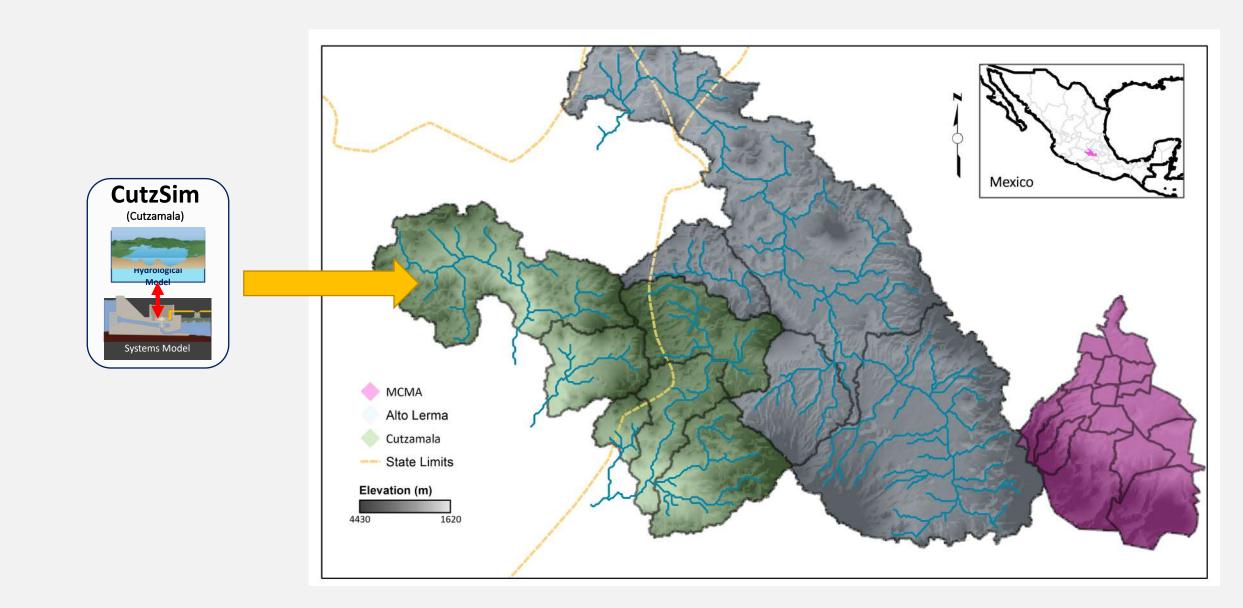




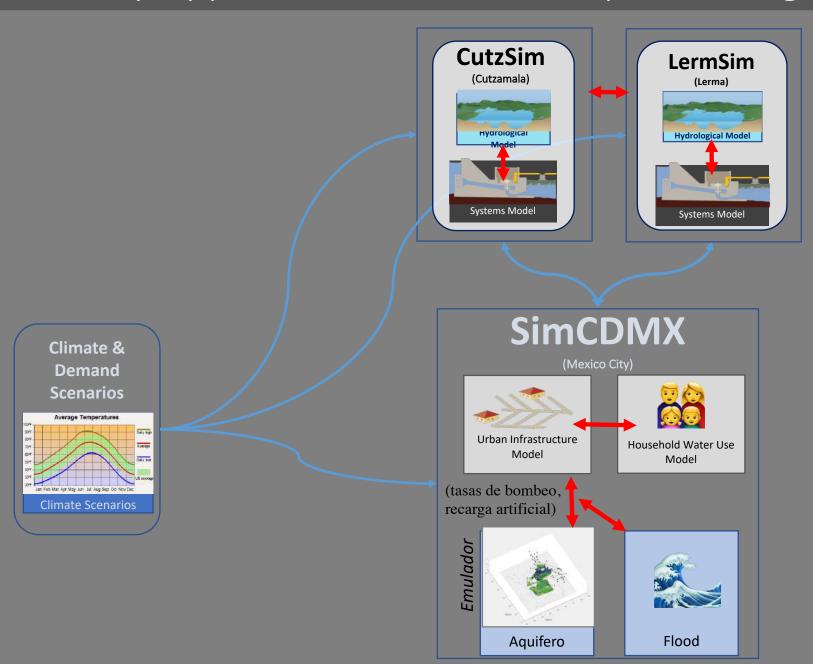


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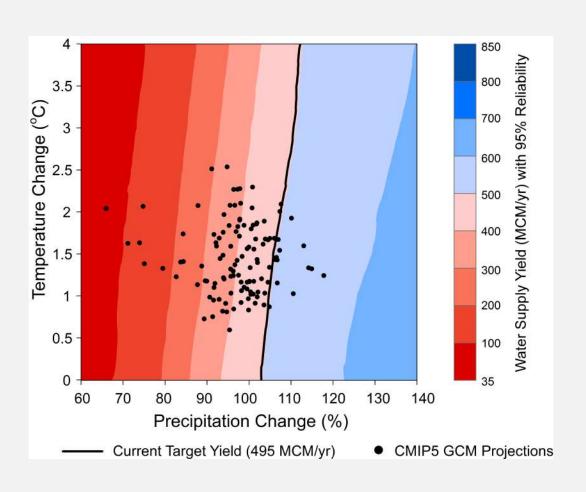


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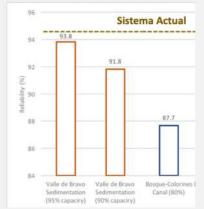


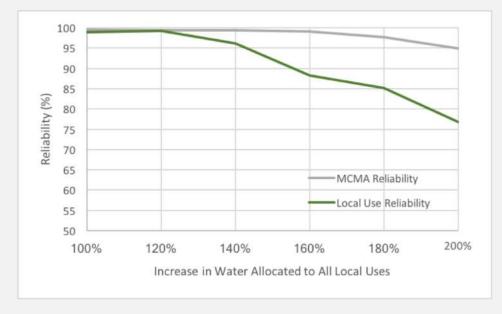
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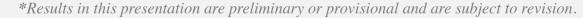
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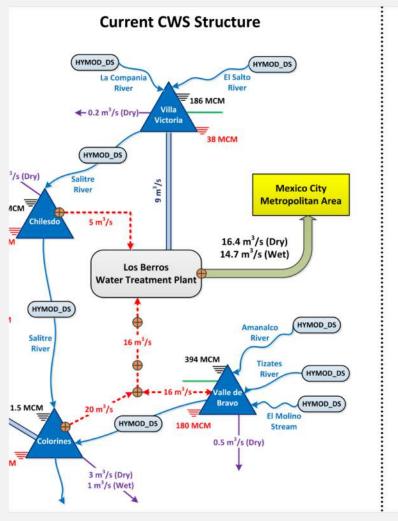
Sensitivity to demand and maintenance

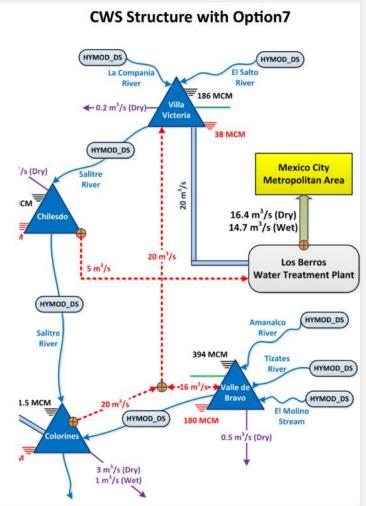






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Solutions across actors



Sitio potencial para proyecto de recarga contolada al acuífero sin PTAR Sitio potencial para proyecto de recarga contolada al acuífero estudiado por CONAGUA Sitio potencial para proyecto de recarga contolada al acuífero con PTAR.

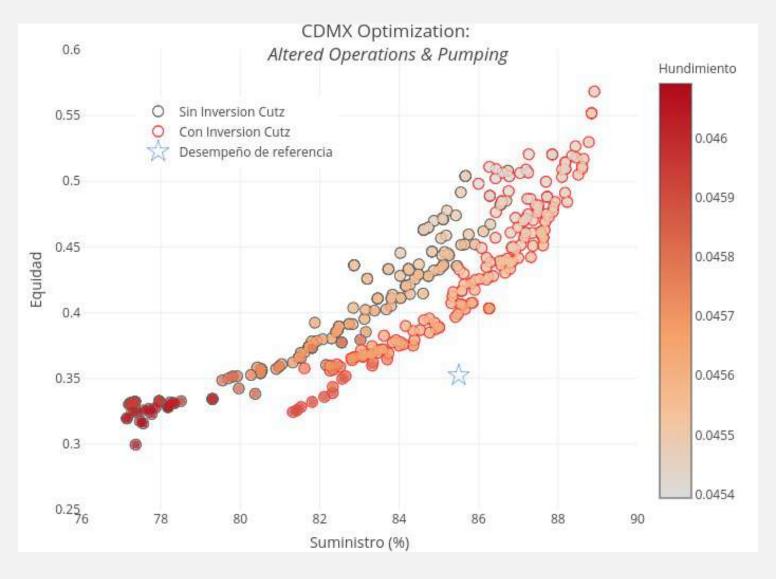


Management Solutions (operations OCAVM and SACMEX)

Evaluation of Predefined Projects (The World Bank)

Workshop Defined Solutions (Agua Capital)

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Gracias y next steps

- System wide vulnerability assessment for 9 uncertainties (if you want nerd out on methods, contact me!)
- Evaluation of portfolios of options across all subsystems
- Continued engagment

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