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Hydronomeas

**A Decision Support System for the Management
of Water Resources**

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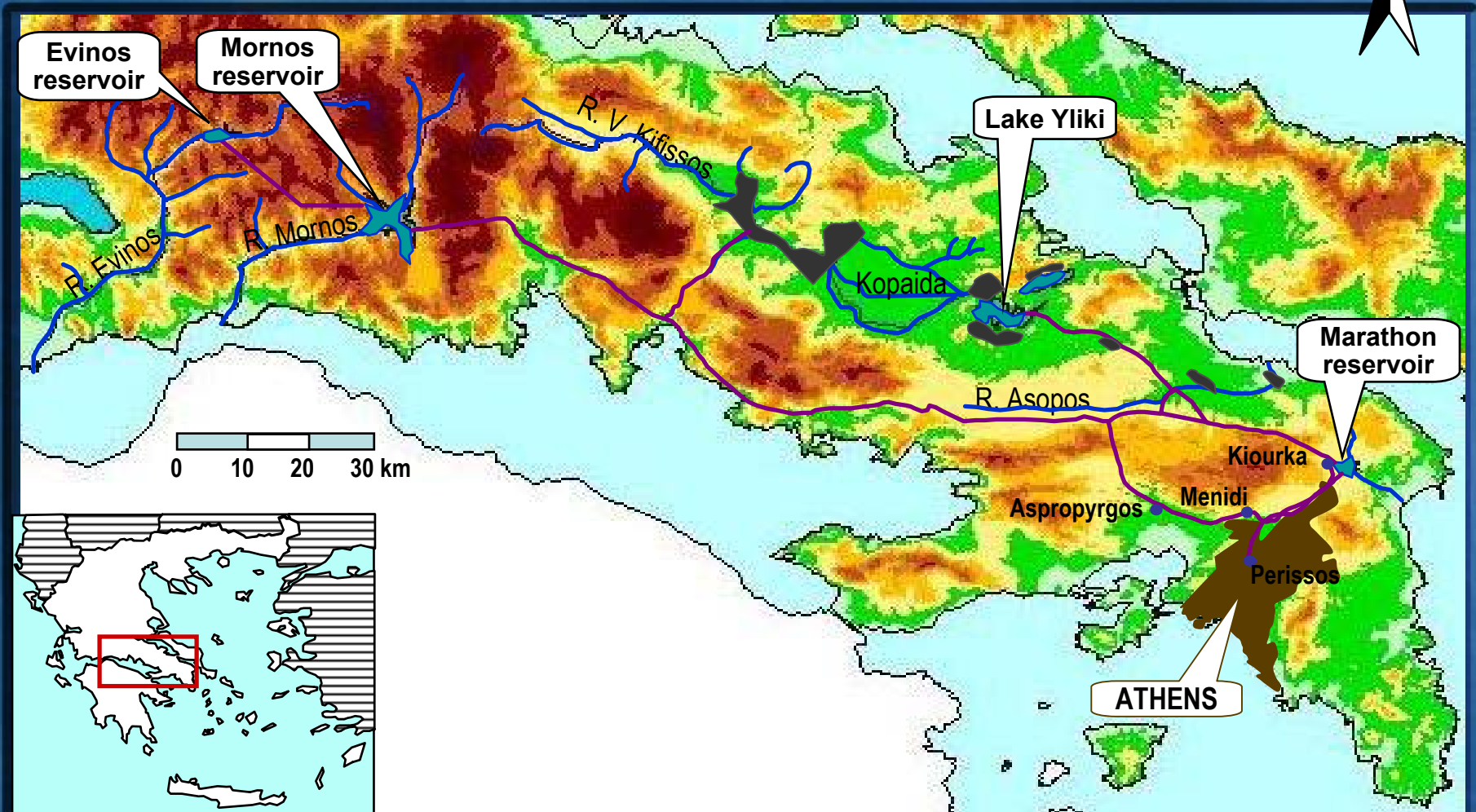
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- The Athens Water Resource System (Athens WRS)
- The Decision Support System (DSS) *Hydronomeas*
- Some application results



The Athens water resource system

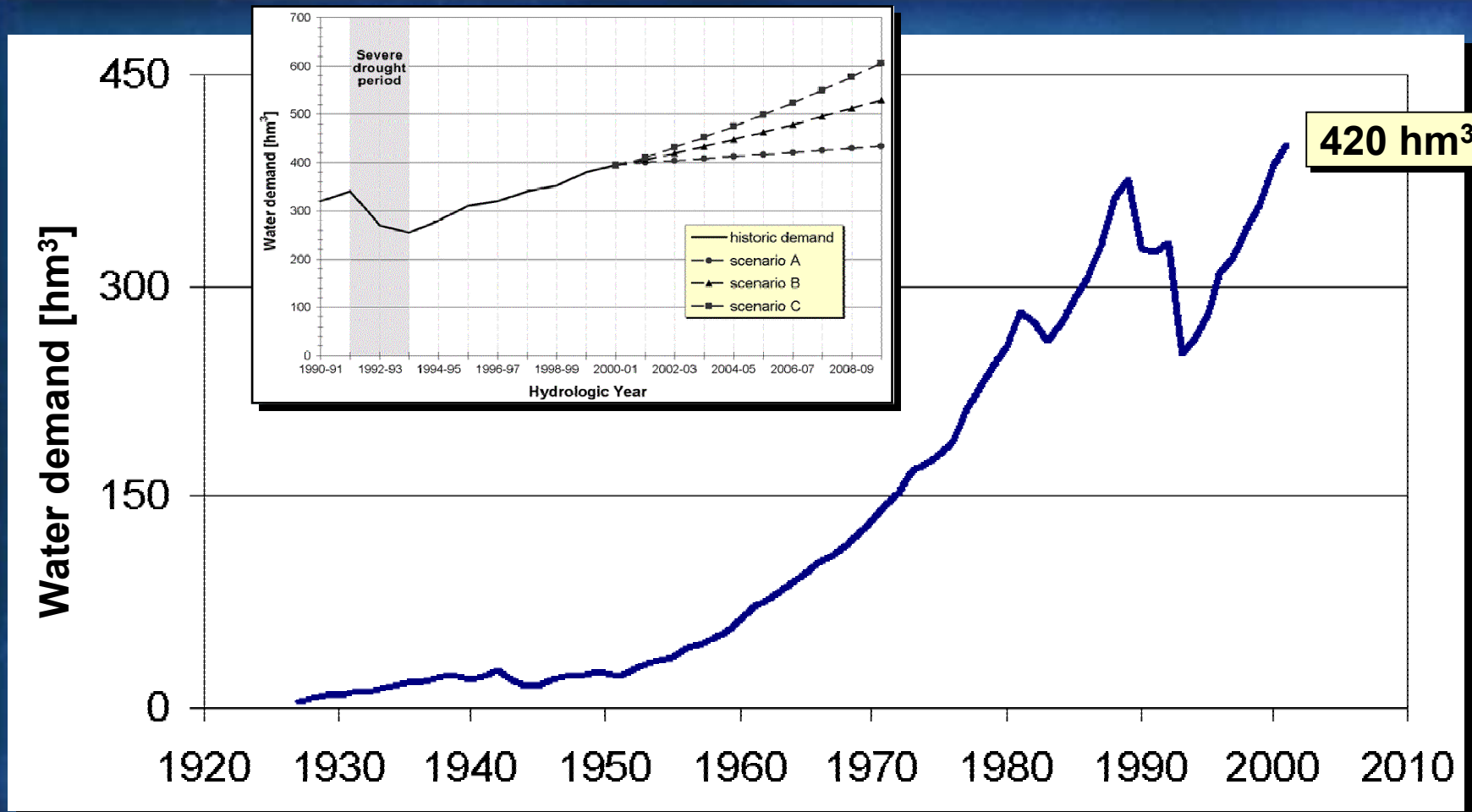




Main characteristics of the Athens WRS

- The system supplies water for domestic and industrial use (population 4 million people)
- The hydrosystem has a mean annual inflow of 850 hm³
- Four reservoirs with a total net storage capacity of 1390 hm³
- The reservoir system is characterized by significant losses, due to leakage (lake Yliki) and spill
- Two major conveyance works, a 200 km long gravity aqueduct and a 60 km long aqueduct with pumping
- Four Water Treatment Plants (WTPs) located in the metropolitan area of Athens

Urban water demand of the metropolitan area of Athens





Questions answered by the DSS

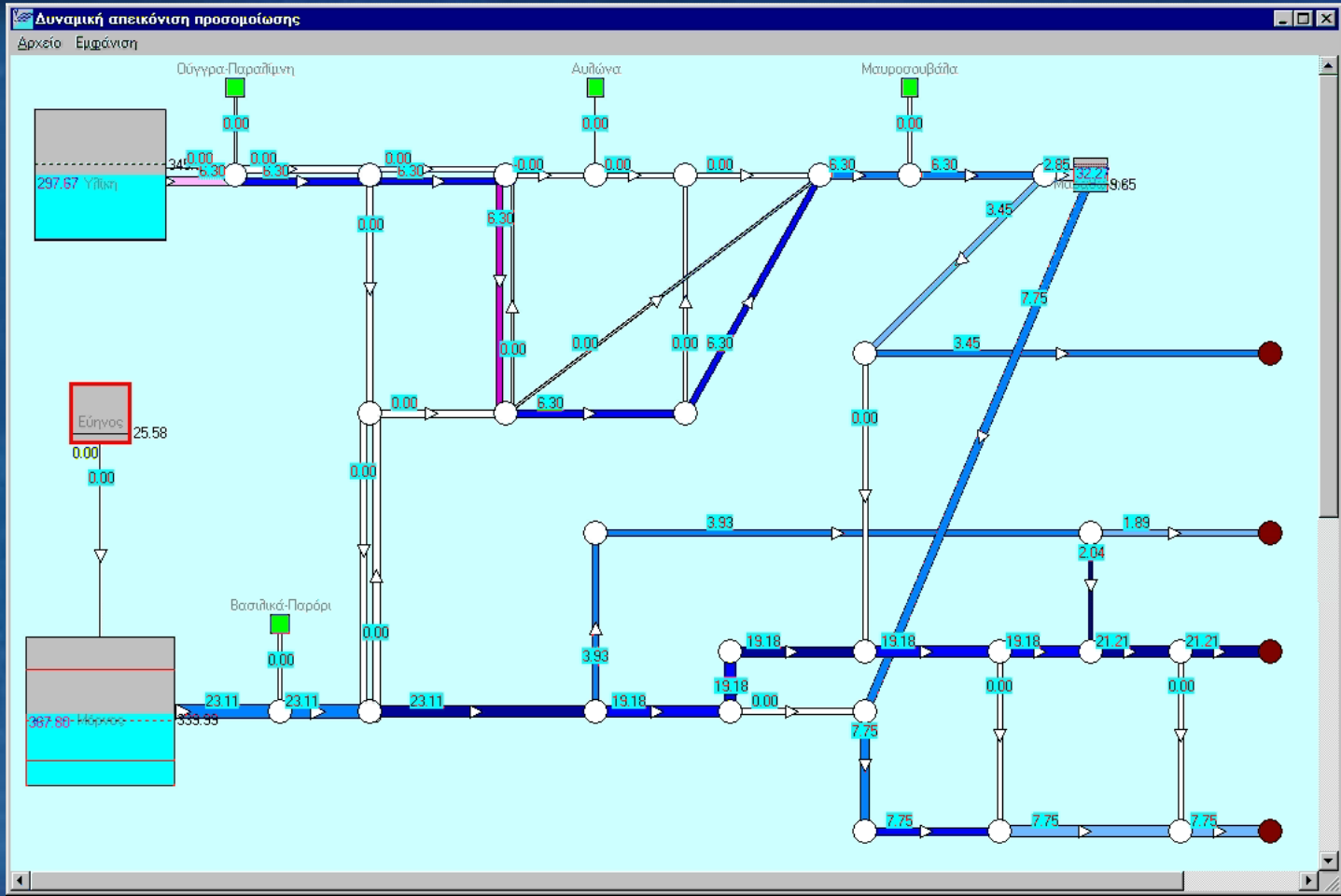
- What is the maximum total withdrawal from the hydrosystem?
- What is the minimum failure probability (or else maximum reliability) in achieving a given set of operational goals?
- What is the minimum cost to achieve a given set of operational goals, for a given reliability level?
- What are the consequences of applying a certain scenario such as:
 - Expansion of the water supply system
 - Failure of a component (e.g. channel damage)
 - Alternative hydroclimatic scenarios
- Which are the optimal reservoir operating rules?



Basic characteristics of Hydronomeas

- Supports the management of complex, multipurpose reservoir systems
- Applies simulation of the water resource system operation and parametric optimization of operating rules
- Utilizes synthetic hydrological time series
- Provides all results in probabilistic terms
- Incorporates all natural, operational, environmental and other restrictions

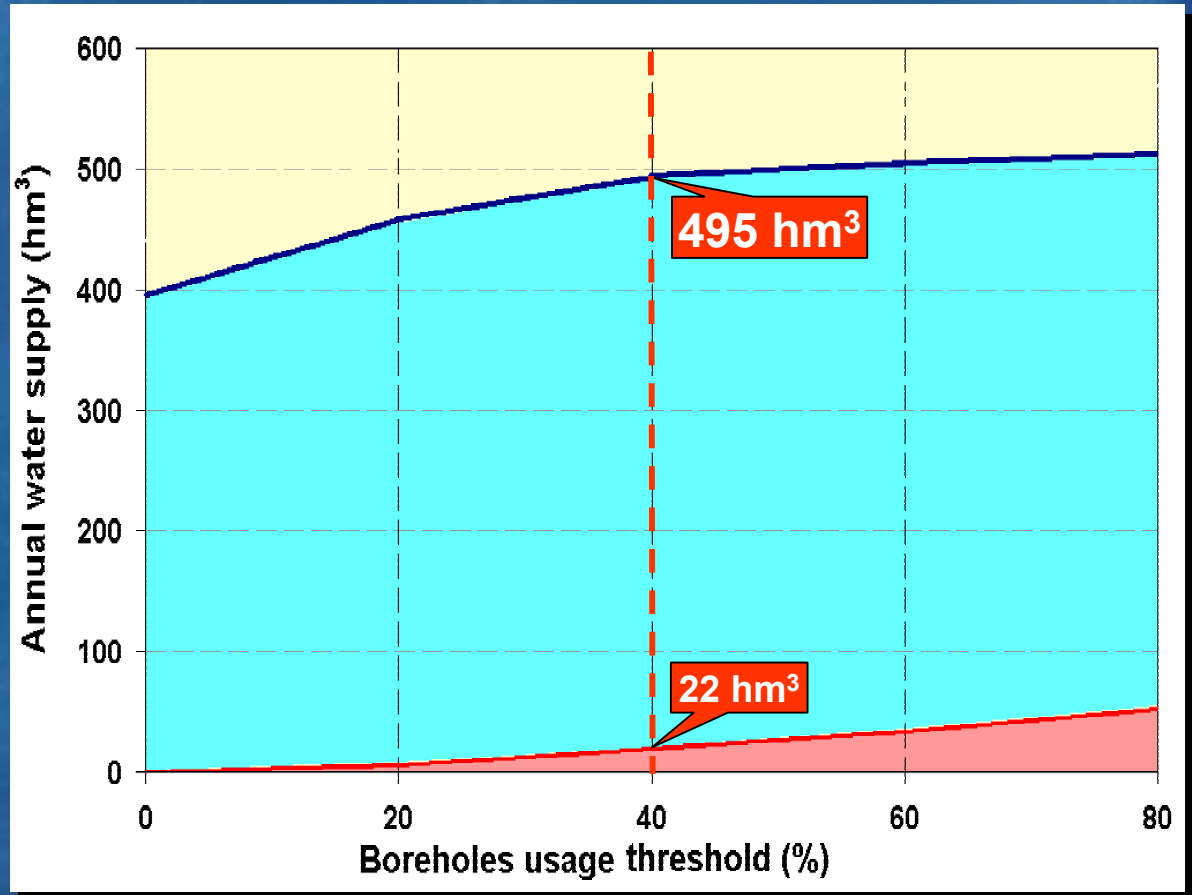
Visualization of the simulation process





The theoretical potential of the Athens WRS for sustainable groundwater use

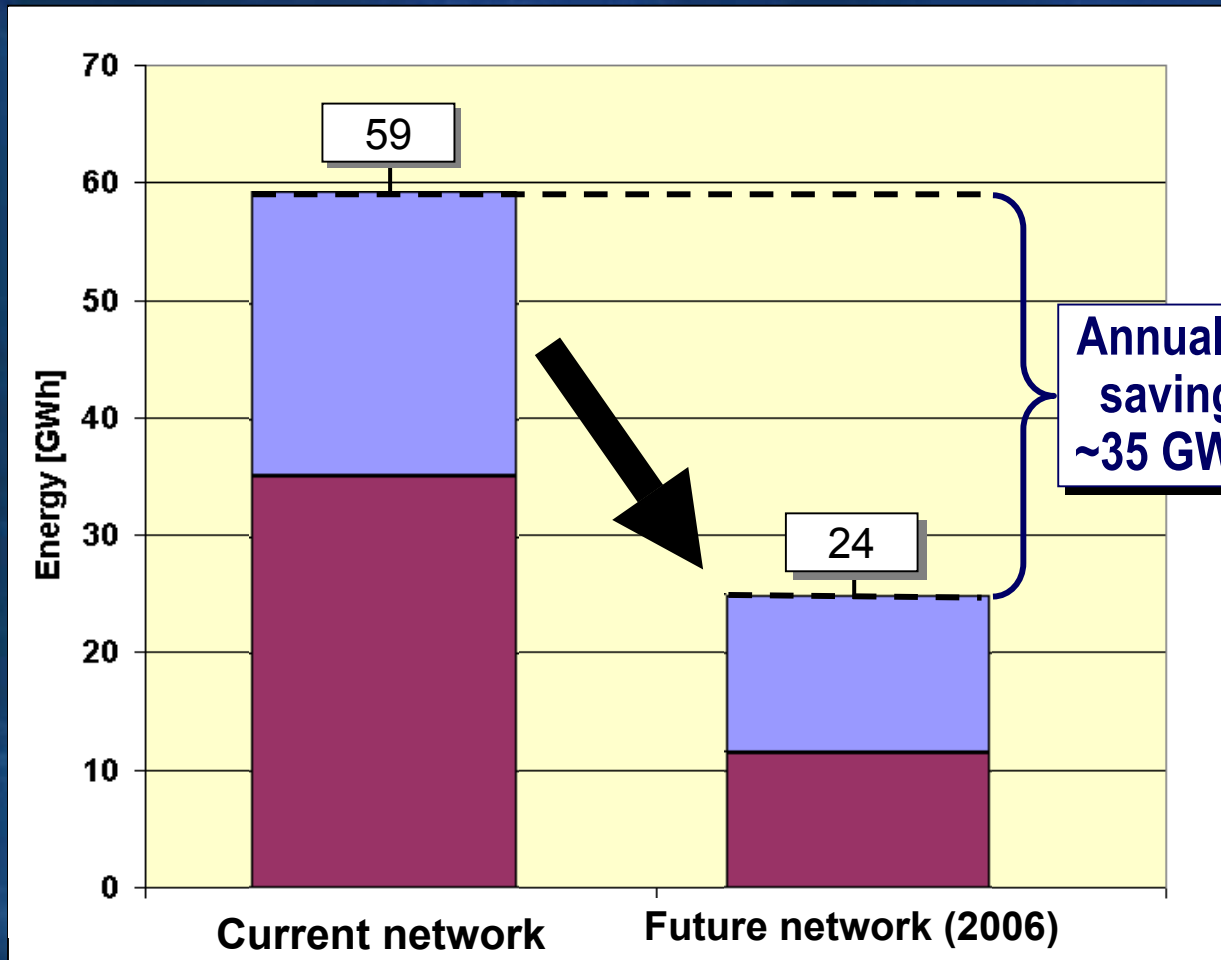
- Optimal management policy has been applied
- The reliability level was set to 99%, on an annual basis
- Synthetic inflow series of 2000 years has been used, which incorporated persistent drought periods



Safe yield
Groundwater contribution



The expected annual energy consumption for the transportation of water to Athens



Planned network improvements reduce the energy consumption

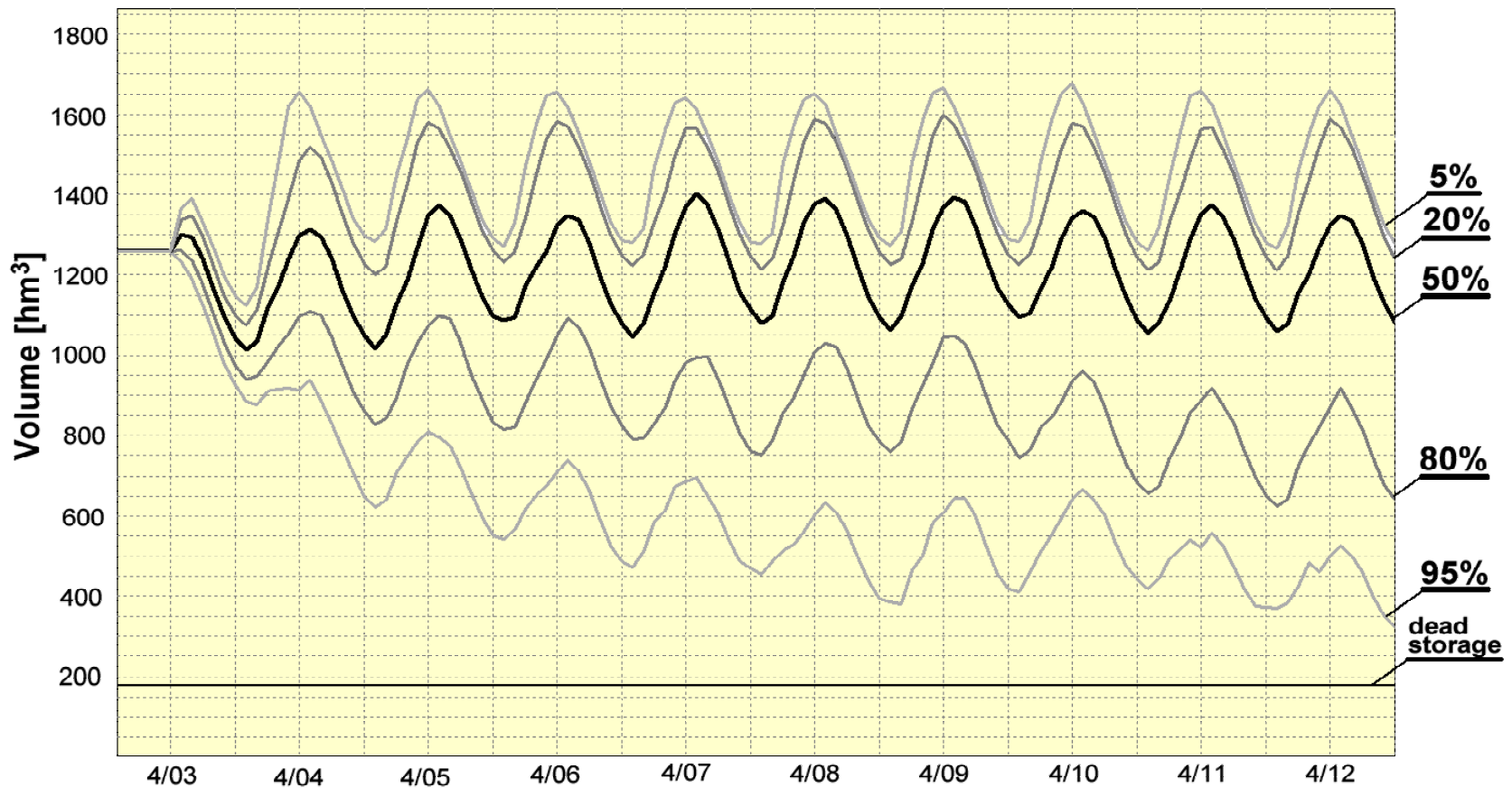
- Increase of the discharge capacity of gravity aqueducts
- Reduction of aqueduct leakages

■ Aqueducts
■ Boreholes



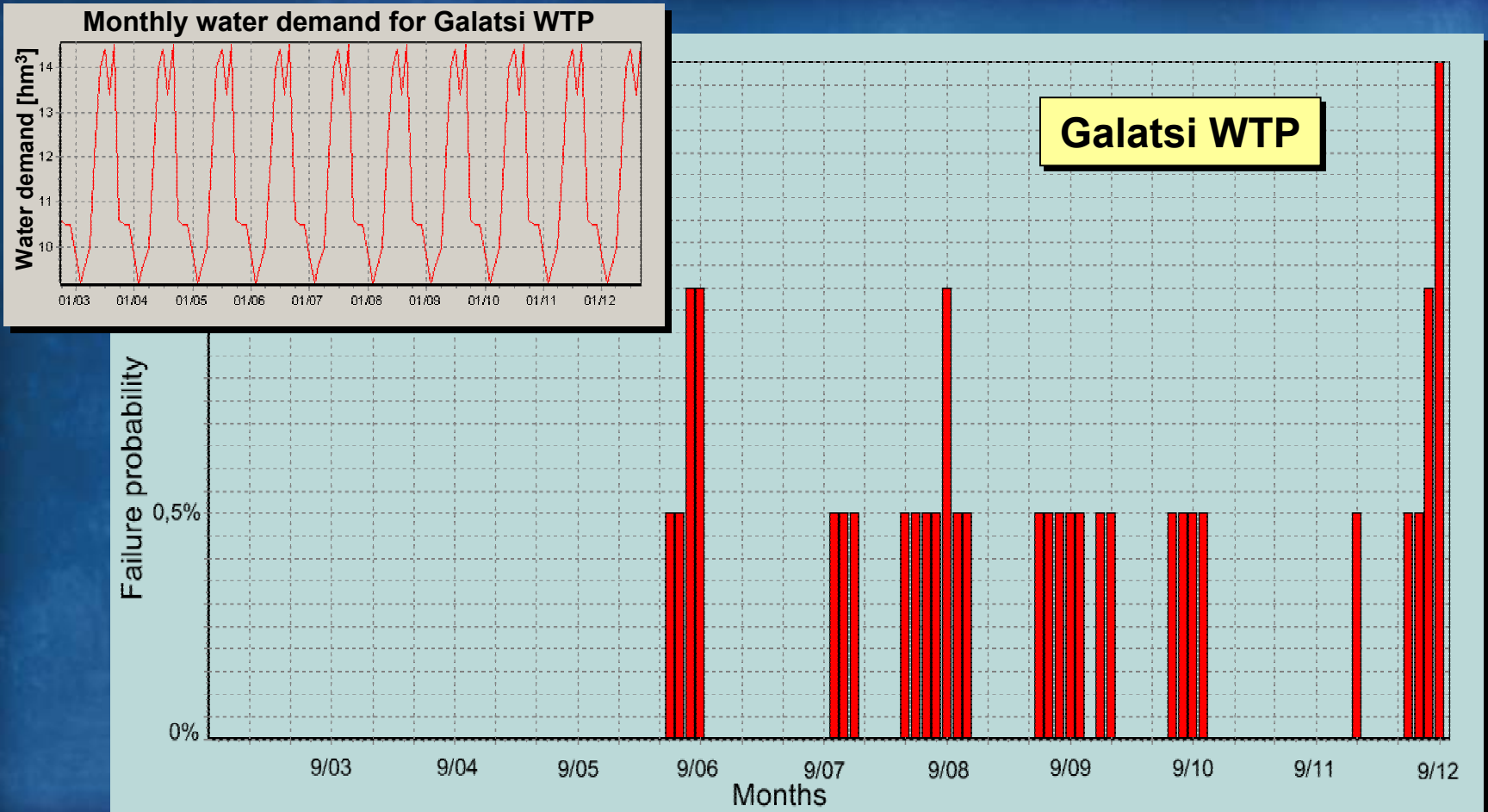
The system storage development in the next 10 years

Equal probability system storage curves

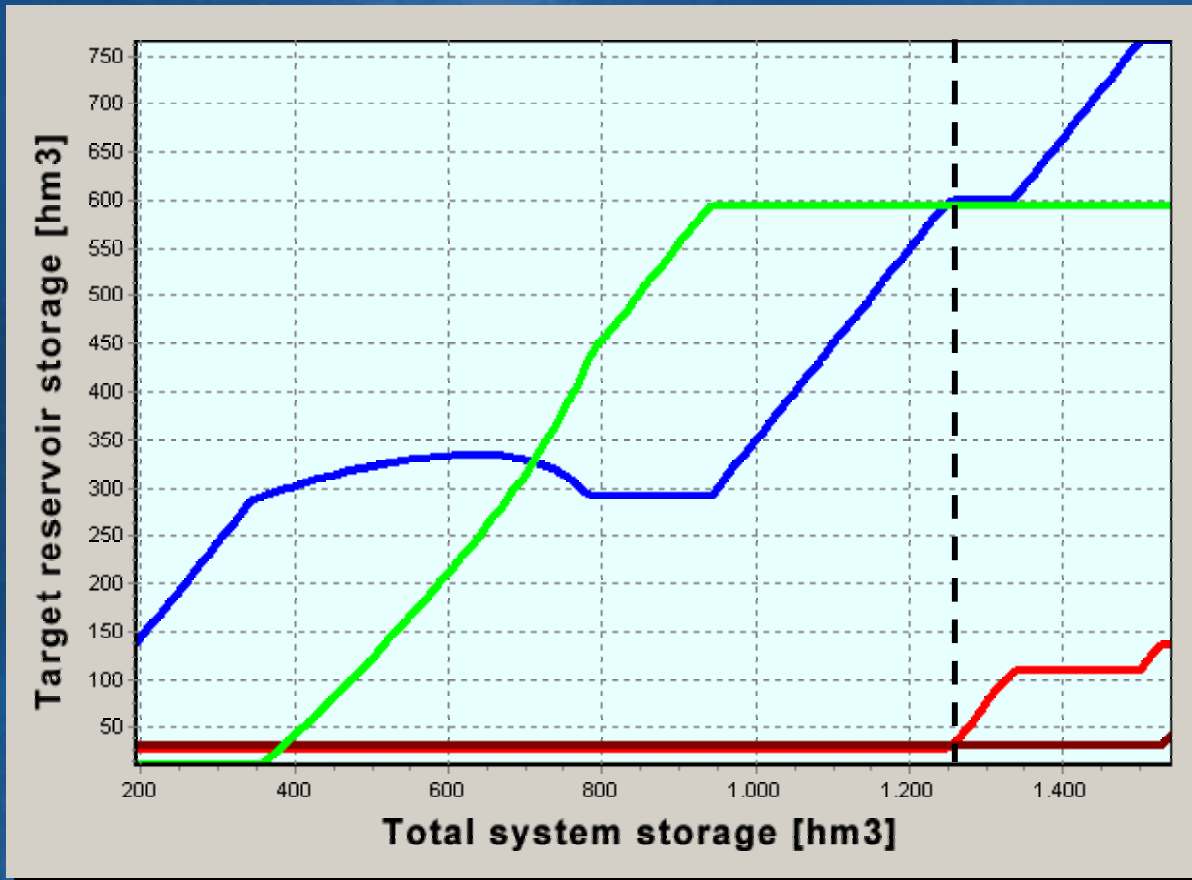




The failure probability forecast for achieving a given target



Graphical representation of reservoir operating rules



Actual system storage
1259 hm³ (7/4/2003)



Motives for optimized water resources management by Hydronomeas

- Save water resources
- Save money (save energy)
- Serve (competitive) users in the best possible way (water consumption, power generation, environment preservation etc.)
- Show the limits of a hydrosystem
- Estimate the reliability of an applied management policy

More information about Hydronomeas: <http://www.itia.ntua.gr/hydronomeas/>