

# A Bayesian approach of the source estimate coupling retro-dispersion computations with a Lagrangian particle dispersion model and the Adaptive Multiple Importance Sampling

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Direct modeling : the  
“murderer” point of view



(\*) an almost perfect ~~crime~~ model

Inverse modeling: the  
“investigator” point of view



- A lot of solutions
- What are the clues ?
- More clues, more efficient !

# Outline

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## 5- Conclusion



# Introduction



- Goal: estimate the parameters (location and release rate) of a hazardous release, in order to:
  - Give the best term source (where and how much )
  - Enhance the simulation of the resulting plume by giving better input data to the dispersion model → provide the best impact assessment map of the current situation
- Two main approaches are possible and have been investigated in the literature:
  - Optimizatic
    - Variation
    - Genetic a
  - Bayesian inference and stochastic sampling (find the highest probability)

## Inverse modelling of methane fugitive emissions from waste water treatment plant

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# The Bayesian framework



- Why a probabilistic approach :
  - Taking into account the various uncertainties in the observations and in the dispersion model
  - Dealing with the presence (or also absence) of prior information on the source term parameters
  - Estimating the uncertainty related to the estimation results

- Generative model for the observation data:

$$d = q C(\theta) + \varepsilon$$

- $q$  (t) temporal release profile
  - $C(\theta)$  is a source-receptor matrix obtained by running a dispersion model for a unitary release from a source located at position  $\theta$
  - $\varepsilon$  is an aggregation of all error sources (model, observation, representativeness) into a single vector
- In the Bayesian context, the objective is to estimate the posterior distribution  $p(\theta, q | d)$  of the source parameters (location  $\theta$  and temporal release profile  $q$ ) given the concentration measurements  $d$  provided by a sensor network:

$$p(\theta, q | d) = \frac{p(d | \theta, q) p(\theta, q)}{p(d)}$$

# The Bayesian framework



- The posterior distribution of the source parameters can be expressed using its marginal components:

$$p(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{q} | \mathbf{d}) = p(\mathbf{q} | \boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{d})p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{d})$$

- Estimating the marginal posterior  $p(\mathbf{q} | \boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{d})$  of  $\mathbf{q}$  can be done analytically :

- prior distribution  $p(\mathbf{q})$  is Gaussian
- the observation error is also Gaussian centered on measurements

- Estimating the posterior distribution  $p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{d})$  of  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  :

- Calls for the application of Bayes rule :

$$p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{d}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{d} | \boldsymbol{\theta})p(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{p(\mathbf{d})} \propto p(\mathbf{d} | \boldsymbol{\theta})p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

- Requires the use of simulation-based methods (Monte Carlo) because it has no closed form due a highly non-linear likelihood  $p(\mathbf{d} | \boldsymbol{\theta})$  that relies on an atmospheric dispersion model run.
- Can be done using a sequential-based approach (**Markov Chain Monte Carlo -MCMC-** ) or a population-sampling approach (**Importance Sampling**).

# The AMIS algorithm



- The *Adaptive Multiple Importance Sampling* (AMIS) algorithm is based on an consequent sampling scheme, where a target distribution (namely the posterior distribution) is approximated by weighted samples from a proposition distribution
- The “*Adaptive*” algorithm improves the standard importance sampling procedure by:
  - Allowing the update of the proposal distribution, which can be chosen as a flexible combination of well-known kernels (e.g. a multivariate Gaussian mixture)
  - Optimally recycling the importance weights at each iteration to fully exploit the full available information and accelerate the convergence

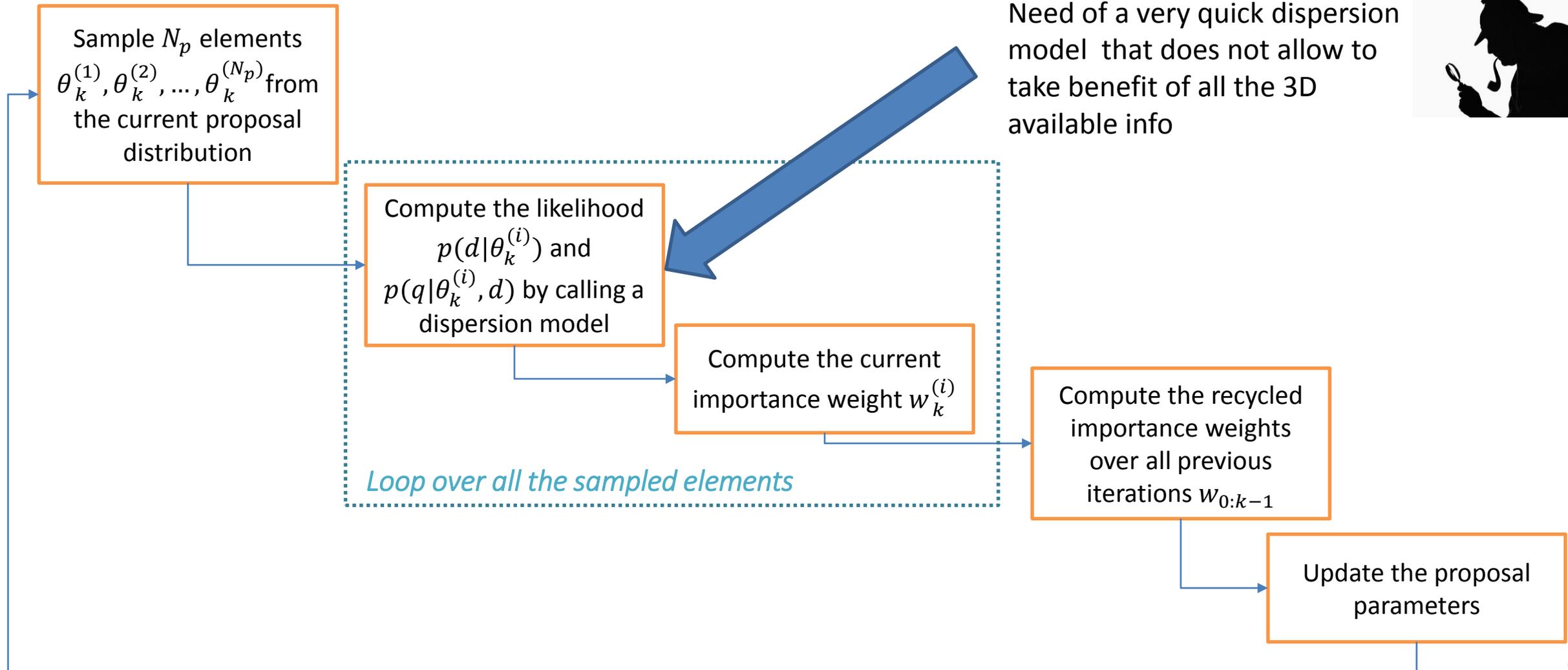
# First Application restriction



- One release (time dependent / accidental release)
- The source and measurements are at ground level
- No plume rise
- The time of release starting and ending are unknown
- Meteorological data are time dependent

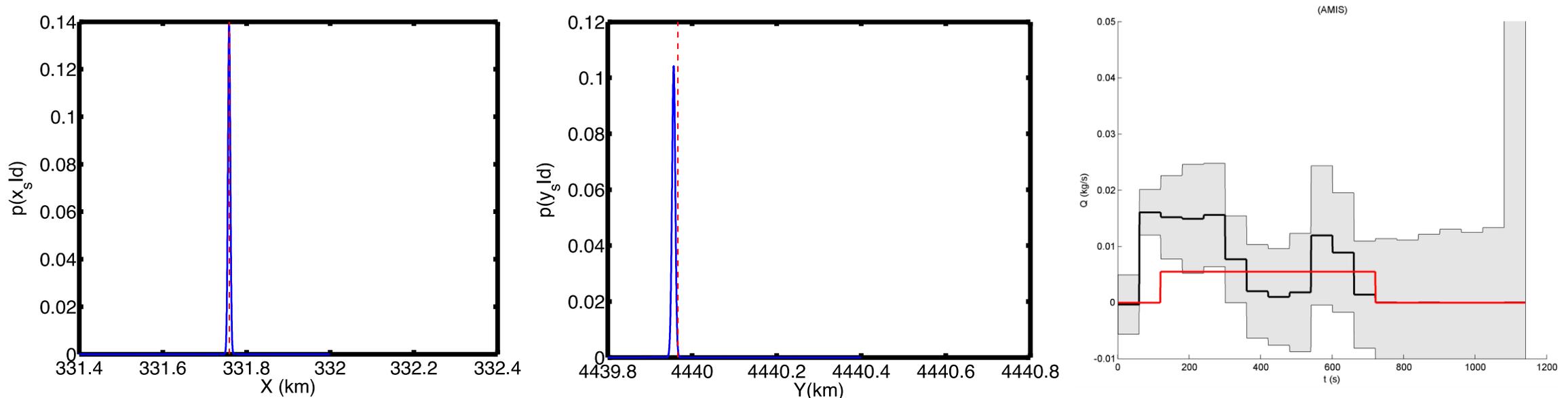
# The AMIS algorithm

Iterative scheme of the AMIS algorithm applied to the STE problem:



# The AMIS algorithm

- Preliminary tests applied on an experimental case (FFT07 experiment) showed a good estimation of the source location, but the release rate reconstruction is not as accurate as expected [Rajaona et al, 2015]



*Estimation of the source parameters for the trial 7 of FFT07: position in  $x$  (left) and  $y$  (center) compared to the true location (red), and reconstructed release rate (right) with 95% confidence interval compared to the true emission profile (red). The dispersion model used to compute the likelihood is a simple Gaussian puff model.*

[Rajaona et al., 2015] : Rajaona, H., Septier, F., Armand, P., Delignon, Y., Olry, C., Albergel, A., & Moussafir, J. (2015). An adaptive Bayesian inference algorithm to estimate the parameters of a hazardous atmospheric release. *Atmospheric Environment*, 122, 748-762.

# The AMIS algorithm



- One of the downsides of the stochastic Bayesian approach is the high number of calls to a CPU-time consuming forward model when it comes to iteratively compute the likelihood for each sampled element.
- The model cannot scale efficiently if a more complex dispersion model is needed (e.g. in an urban scenario).
- The AMIS scheme needs to be optimized in order to deal with a more elaborate dispersion model.

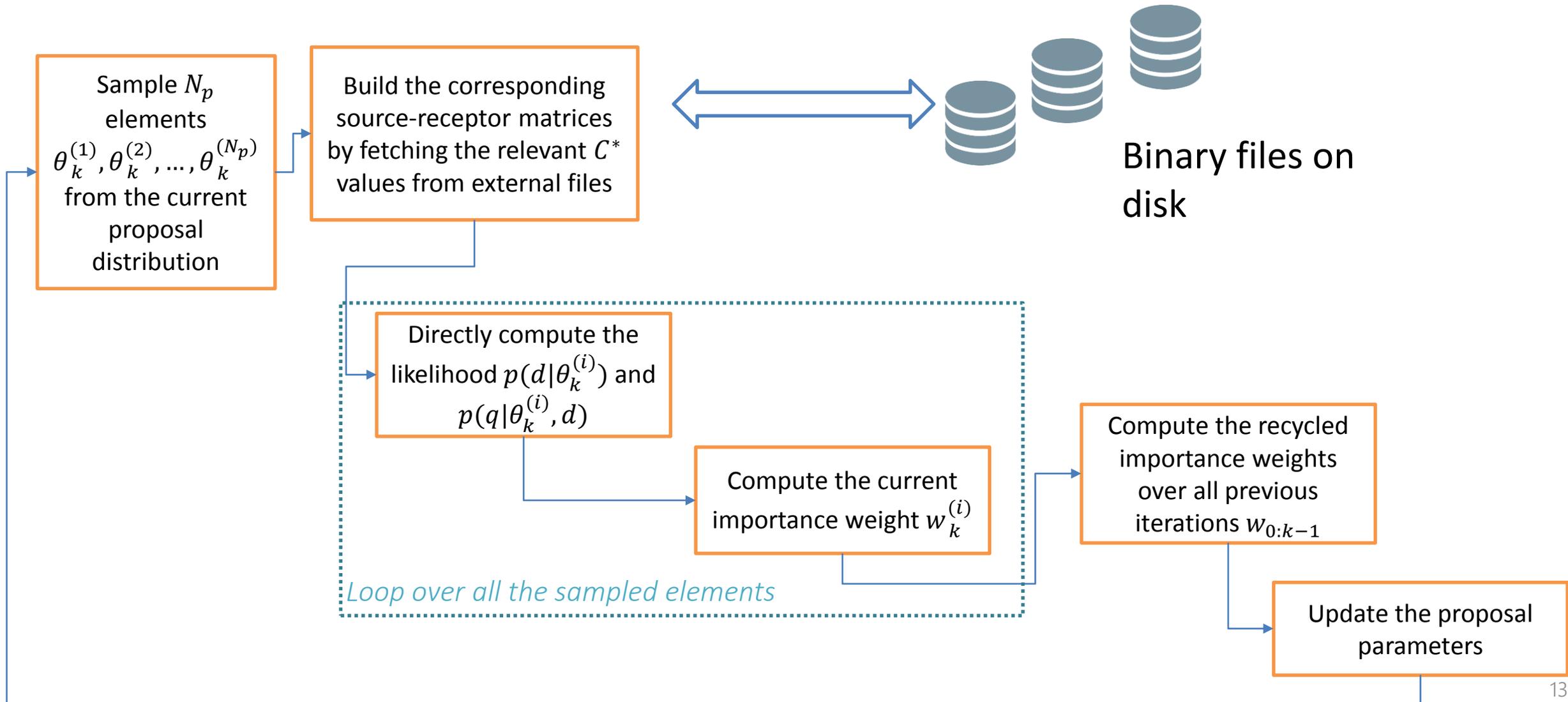
# Optimizing using a retro-dispersion model

- Solution: use the duality relationship as mentioned in [Keats et al., 2007] to switch to a retro-dispersion model

$$C(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} C(R_1, t_1 | \theta, t'_1) & C(R_1, t_1 | \theta, t'_2) & \cdots & C(R_1, t_1 | \theta, t'_{T_s}) \\ C(R_1, t_2 | \theta, t'_1) & C(R_1, t_2 | \theta, t'_2) & \cdots & C(R_1, t_2 | \theta, t'_{T_s}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ C(R_1, t_{T_c} | \theta, t'_1) & C(R_1, t_{T_c} | \theta, t'_2) & \cdots & C(R_1, t_{T_c} | \theta, t'_{T_s}) \\ C(R_2, t_1 | \theta, t'_1) & C(R_2, t_1 | \theta, t'_2) & \cdots & C(R_2, t_1 | \theta, t'_{T_s}) \\ C(R_2, t_2 | \theta, t'_1) & C(R_2, t_2 | \theta, t'_2) & \cdots & C(R_2, t_2 | \theta, t'_{T_s}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ C(R_2, t_{T_c} | \theta, t'_1) & C(R_2, t_{T_c} | \theta, t'_2) & \cdots & C(R_2, t_{T_c} | \theta, t'_{T_s}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ C(R_{N_c}, t_{T_c} | \theta, t'_1) & C(R_{N_c}, t_{T_c} | \theta, t'_2) & \cdots & C(R_{N_c}, t_{T_c} | \theta, t'_{T_s}) \end{bmatrix} \longleftrightarrow C^*(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} C^*(\theta, t'_1 | R_1, t_1) & C^*(\theta, t'_2 | R_1, t_1) & \cdots & C^*(\theta, t'_{T_s} | R_1, t_1) \\ C^*(\theta, t'_1 | R_1, t_2) & C^*(\theta, t'_2 | R_1, t_2) & \cdots & C^*(\theta, t'_{T_s} | R_1, t_2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ C^*(\theta, t'_1 | R_1, t_{T_c}) & C^*(\theta, t'_2 | R_1, t_{T_c}) & \cdots & C^*(\theta, t'_{T_s} | R_1, t_{T_c}) \\ C^*(\theta, t'_1 | R_2, t_1) & C^*(\theta, t'_2 | R_2, t_1) & \cdots & C^*(\theta, t'_{T_s} | R_2, t_1) \\ C^*(\theta, t'_1 | R_2, t_2) & C^*(\theta, t'_2 | R_2, t_2) & \cdots & C^*(\theta, t'_{T_s} | R_2, t_2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ C^*(\theta, t'_1 | R_2, t_{T_c}) & C^*(\theta, t'_2 | R_2, t_{T_c}) & \cdots & C^*(\theta, t'_{T_s} | R_2, t_{T_c}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ C^*(\theta, t'_1 | R_{N_c}, t_{T_c}) & C^*(\theta, t'_2 | R_{N_c}, t_{T_c}) & \cdots & C^*(\theta, t'_{T_s} | R_{N_c}, t_{T_c}) \end{bmatrix}$$

- The conjugate concentrations  $C^*$  is obtained from the retro-model to build the source-receptor matrices.
- By pre-computing the  $C^*$  matrix before the AMIS estimation process and store the results on disk, we remove the multiple calls to the forward dispersion model in the loop.

# Optimizing using a retro-dispersion model

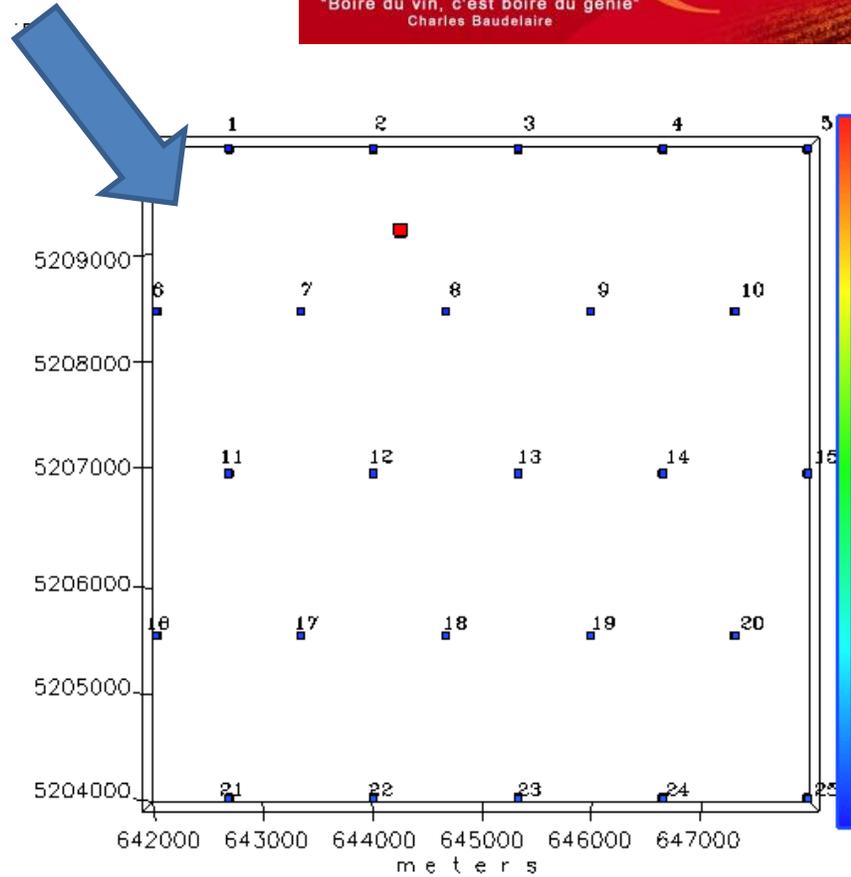


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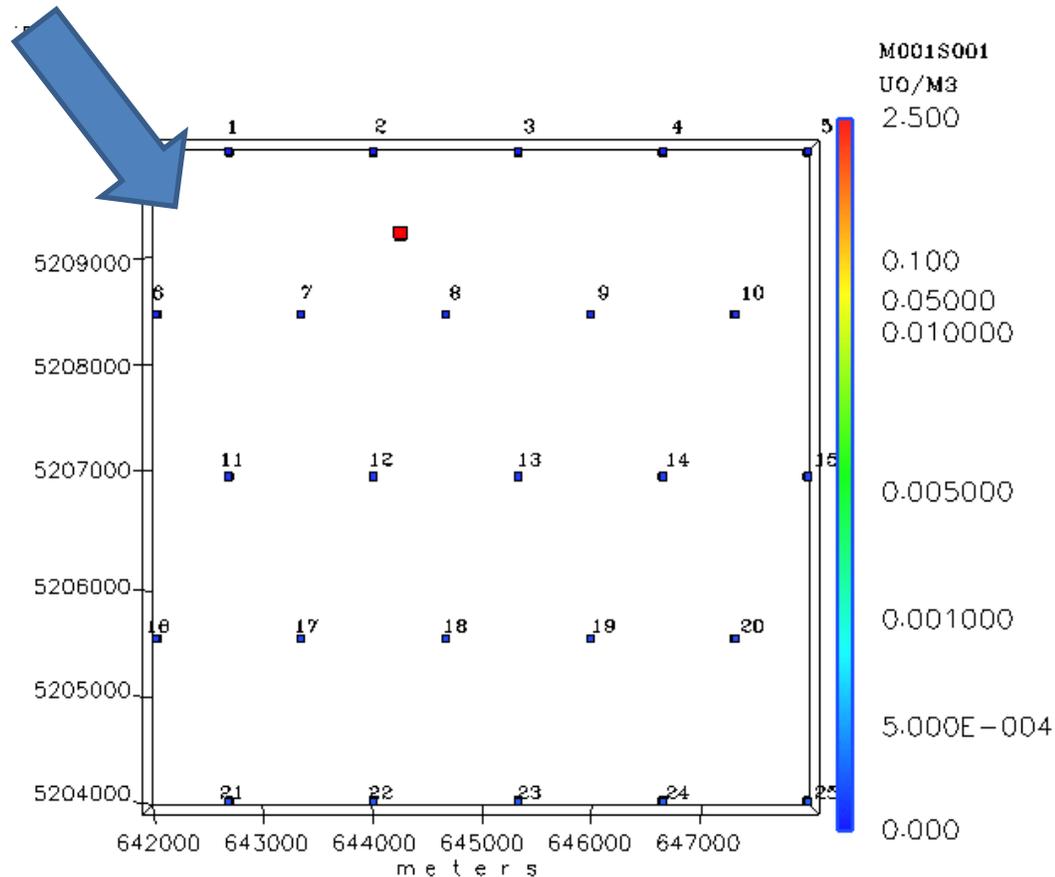


- We use Parallel Micro-SWIFT-SPRAY (PMSS) as dispersion model:
  - SWIFT is a diagnostic model using a mass-conservation principle to build 3D interpolated wind fields
  - SPRAY is a Lagrangian particle dispersion model that is used to generate synthetic concentration observations
  - Retro-SPRAY is the dual of the SPRAY model, and is used to build the  $C^*$  retro-dispersion fields
- Validation tests were performed using simulated observation data over realistic terrain characteristics in two cases:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> use case (“BEAUNE”): in a countryside landscape with a constant wind
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> use case (“OPERA”): in an urban context (neighborhood in downtown Paris) with a heterogeneous wind field

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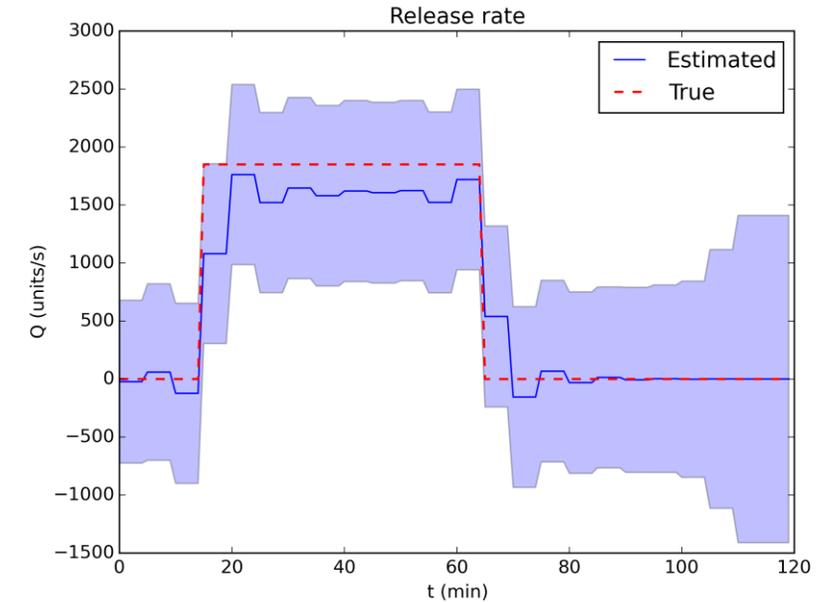
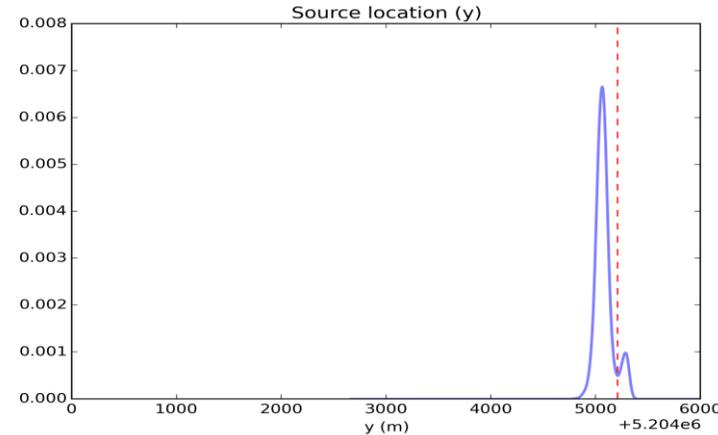
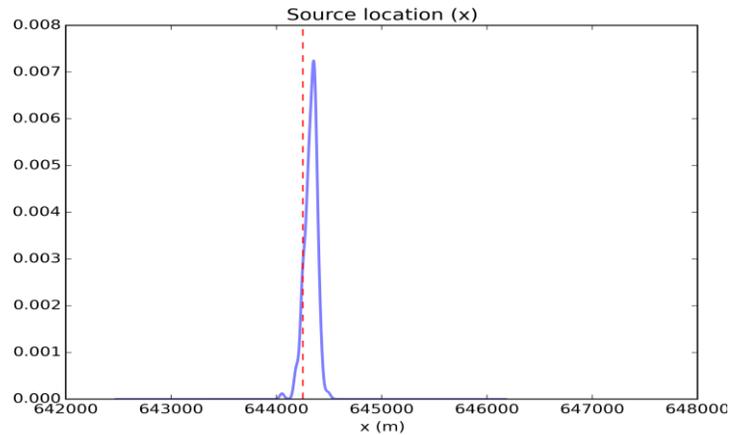


1st use-case (BEAUNE) input data:

SW point coordinates (km)	(642.000; 647.980)
NE point coordinates (km)	(5204.000; 5209.980)
Nb. Of meshes (X,Y)	<b>(300,300) = 90 000</b>
Mesh resolution (m)	20
Wind speed	1.5 m/s
Wind direction	330°
Release duration	45 mn (from 10:15 to 11:00 am)
Release rate	1850 units/s
Nb. sensors	<b>25</b>
Observation time frame	From 10:05 am to 12:00pm

# First use-case “Beaune”

- 1st use case (BEAUNE) results:



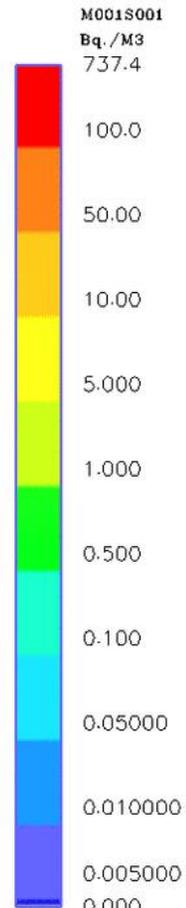
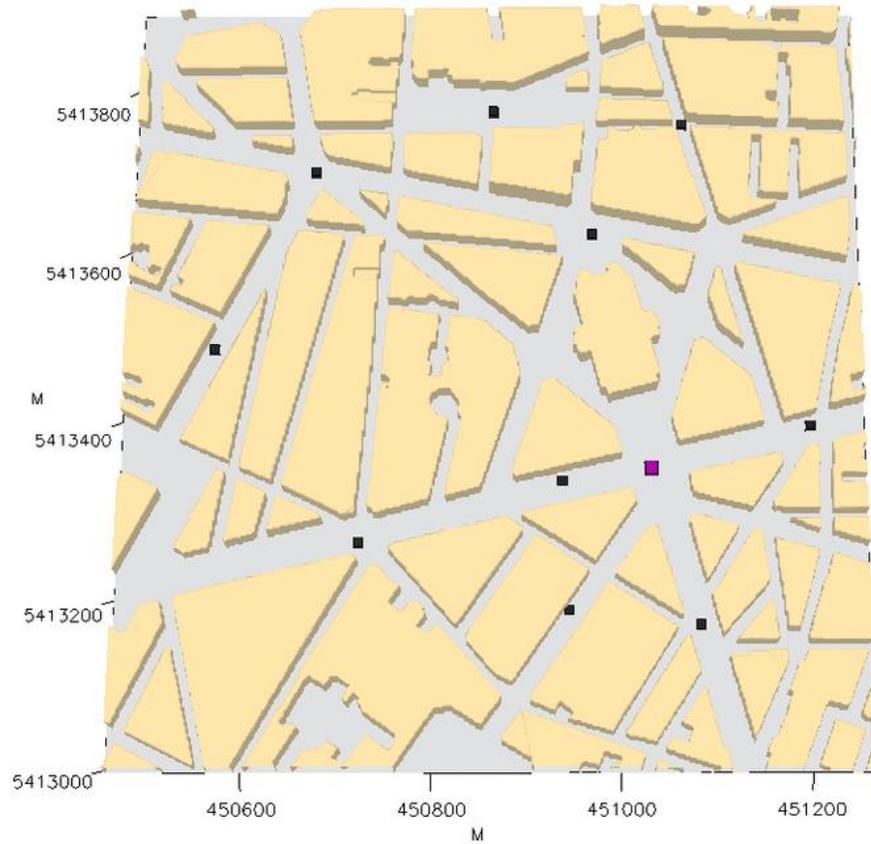
*Estimation of the source parameters for the BEAUNE simulation: position in x (left) and y (center) compared to the true location (red), and reconstructed release rate (right) with 95% confidence interval compared to the true emission profile (red).*

- Good estimation of the release rate
- The estimated source location is not as good. Cause: differences between  $C$  and  $C^*$  source-receptor matrices ?

# Second use-case "OPERA"

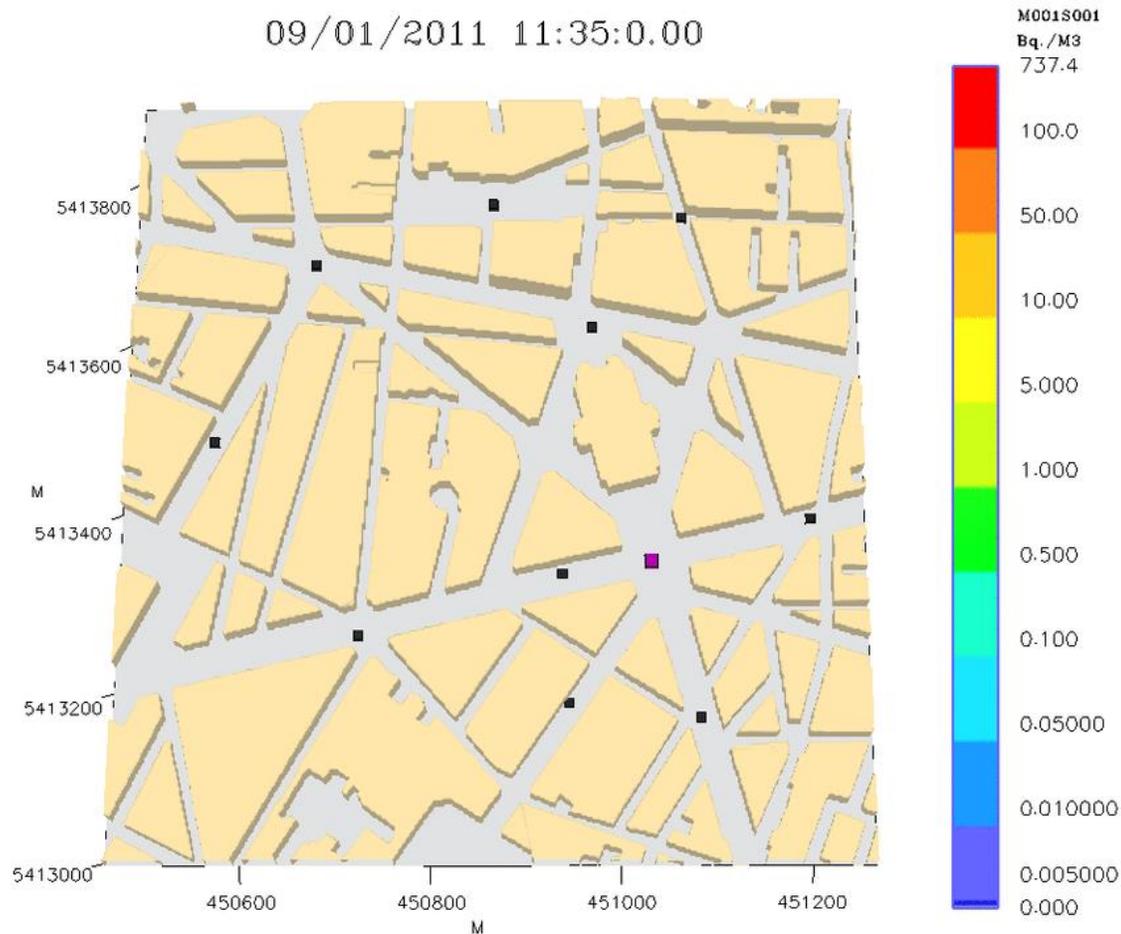


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# Second use-case “OPERA”

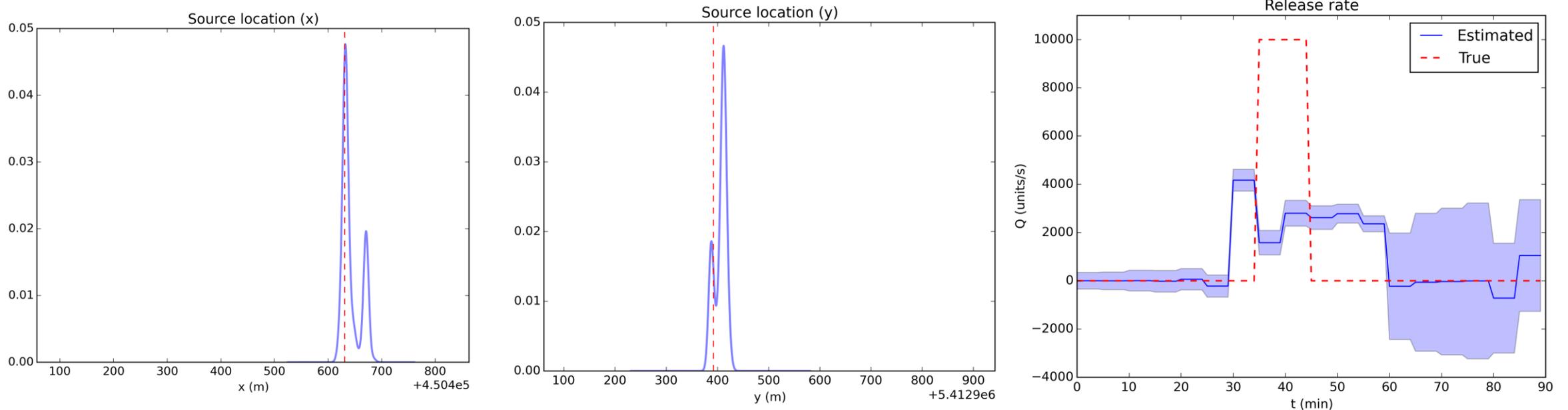
2<sup>nd</sup> use-case (OPERA) input data :



SW point coordinates (km)	(450.457;451.263)
NE point coordinates (km)	(5412.961;5413.842)
Nb. Of meshes (X,Y)	<b>(404,441)= 178 164</b>
Mesh resolution (m)	(2,2)
Wind speed	3m/s
Wind direction	11:00am-12:00 pm: <b>230°</b>   12:00pm-1:00pm: <b>180°</b>   1:00pm-2:00pm: <b>45°</b>
Release duration	10 mn (from 12:10 to 12:20 pm)
Release rate	10 <sup>4</sup> units/s
Nb. sensors	<b>10</b>
Observation time frame	From 11:35 am to 1:00pm

# Second use-case “OPERA”

- 2<sup>nd</sup> use case (OPERA):



*Estimation of the source parameters for the OPERA use-case: position in x (left) and y (center) compared to the true location (red), and reconstructed release rate (right) with 95% confidence interval compared to the true emission profile (red).*

- Estimation of the source location → OK
- Difficulties to reconstruct the release rate due to the complexity of the use case (wind rotation, obstacles)

# Conclusion

- New design of an optimized estimation process relying on Bayesian inference, stochastic modeling and a 3D Lagrangian dispersion model.
- AMIS methods improve MCMC methods efficiently
- The proposed scheme is able to hold the computational load and thus be scalable by using pre-computed retro-dispersion data obtained by the retro-dispersion model.
- The validation tests using this process show that the AMIS algorithm, could be used with any dispersion model and first results in complex situation are encouraging
- Perspectives and improvements:
  - Improve the method and test the estimation process on experimental data in an urban scenario
  - Study the influence of the various parameters in the AMIS algorithm
  - Extension of the method : elevated sources (including plume rises) and multi-sources

Thank you for your attention.



# Positive Constraint Procedure

