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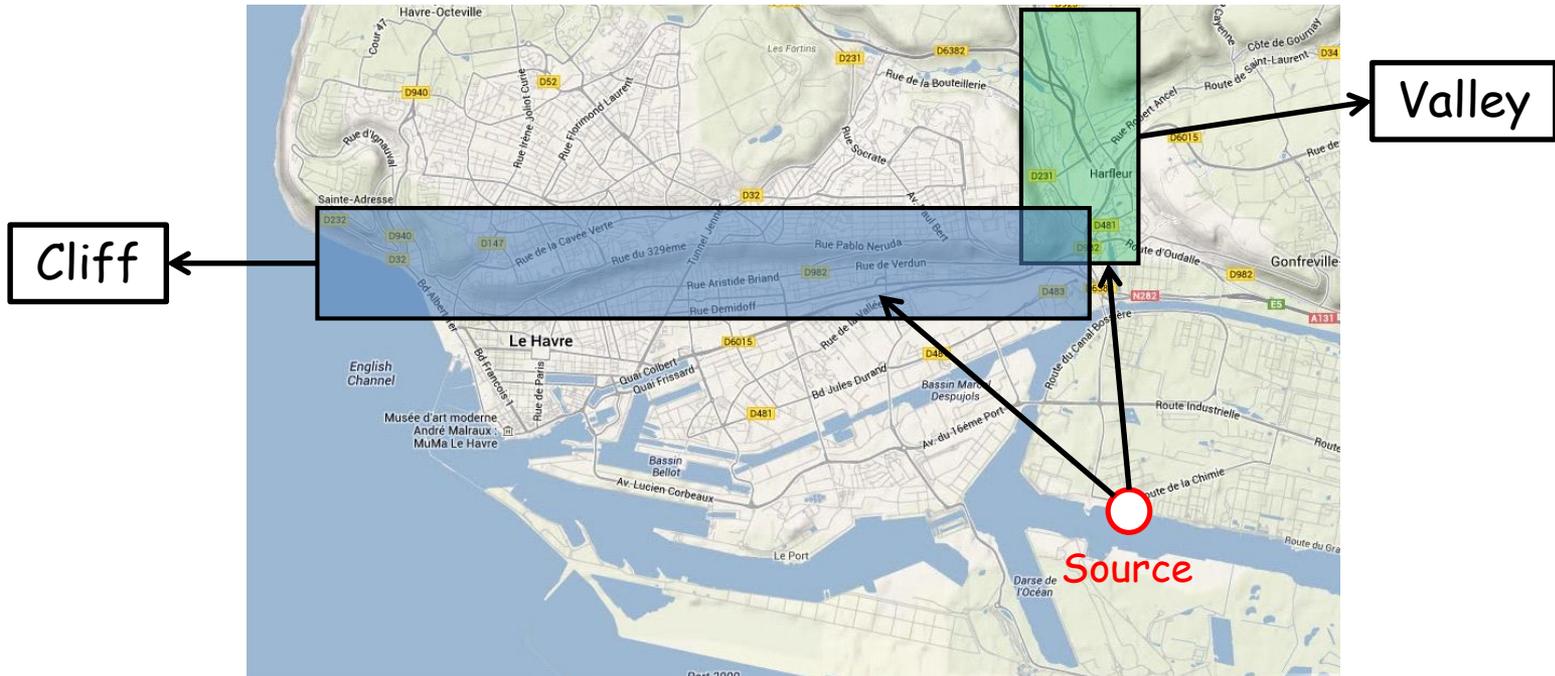
Probabilistic assessment of danger zones using a surrogate model of CFD simulations

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Presentation of the case-study

- ☐ The scenario is a **fictitious** accident in an industrial port
- ☐ Ammoniac is released for a period of 45 minutes
- ☐ Atmospheric and release conditions are **uncertain**
- ☐ The wind takes two main directions during the time period
 - In the first 30 minutes, the wind blows towards a valley on the north
 - Afterwards, the wind directs the pollutant towards the city and the cliff

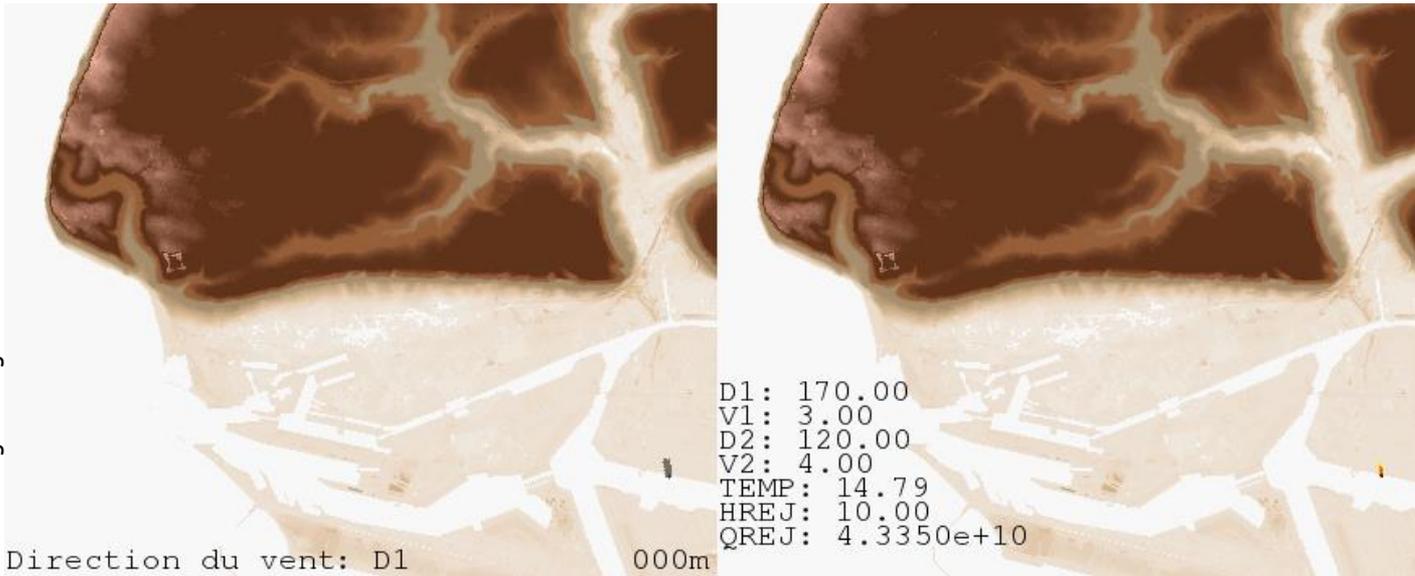
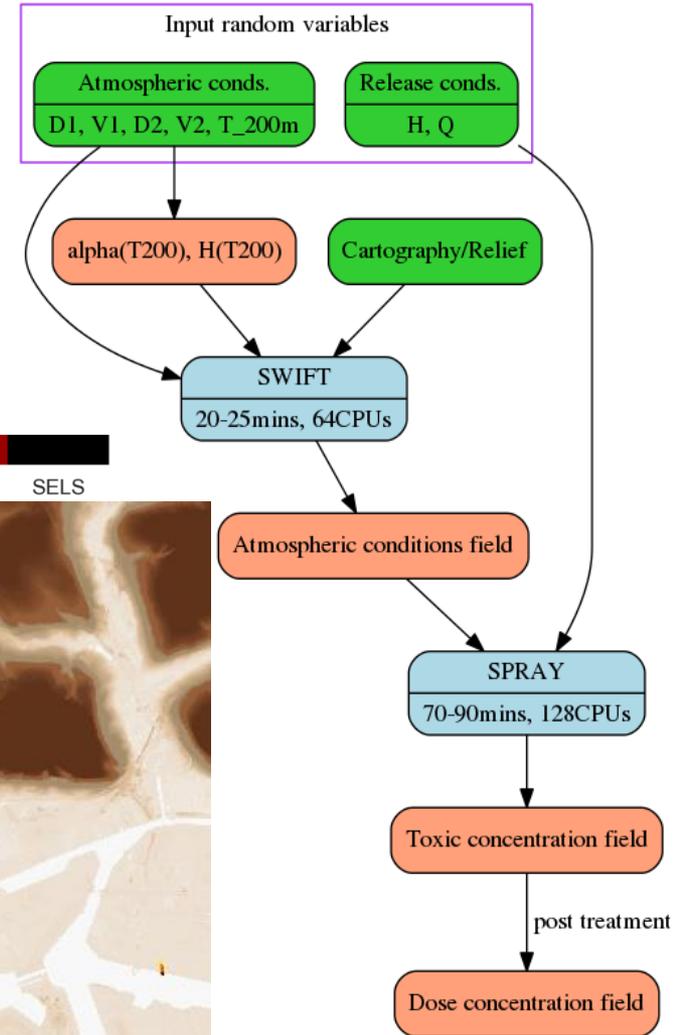


Flow and dispersion modelling

PSWIFT-PSPRAY computational chain

- 1 hr 40 min on average per simulation
- Distributed over 128 CPUs
- Domain divided on 63 tiles
- 60 time steps

Deterministic or "reference" simulation



(a) Instantaneous concentration

(b) Threshold exceedance

Evaluation of the health consequences

☐ Threshold concentrations of ammonia for more or less severe effects

| Concentration (mg/m ³) | Exposure time (min) | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|-------|------|------|------|------|
| | 60 | 180 | 600 | 1200 | 1800 | 3600 |
| SELS | 19623 | | 6183 | 4387 | 3593 | 2543 |
| SPEL | 17710 | 10290 | 5740 | 4083 | 3337 | 2380 |
| SEI | 1050 | 700 | 606 | 428 | 350 | 248 |
| SER | 196 | 140 | 105 | 84 | 77 | 56 |

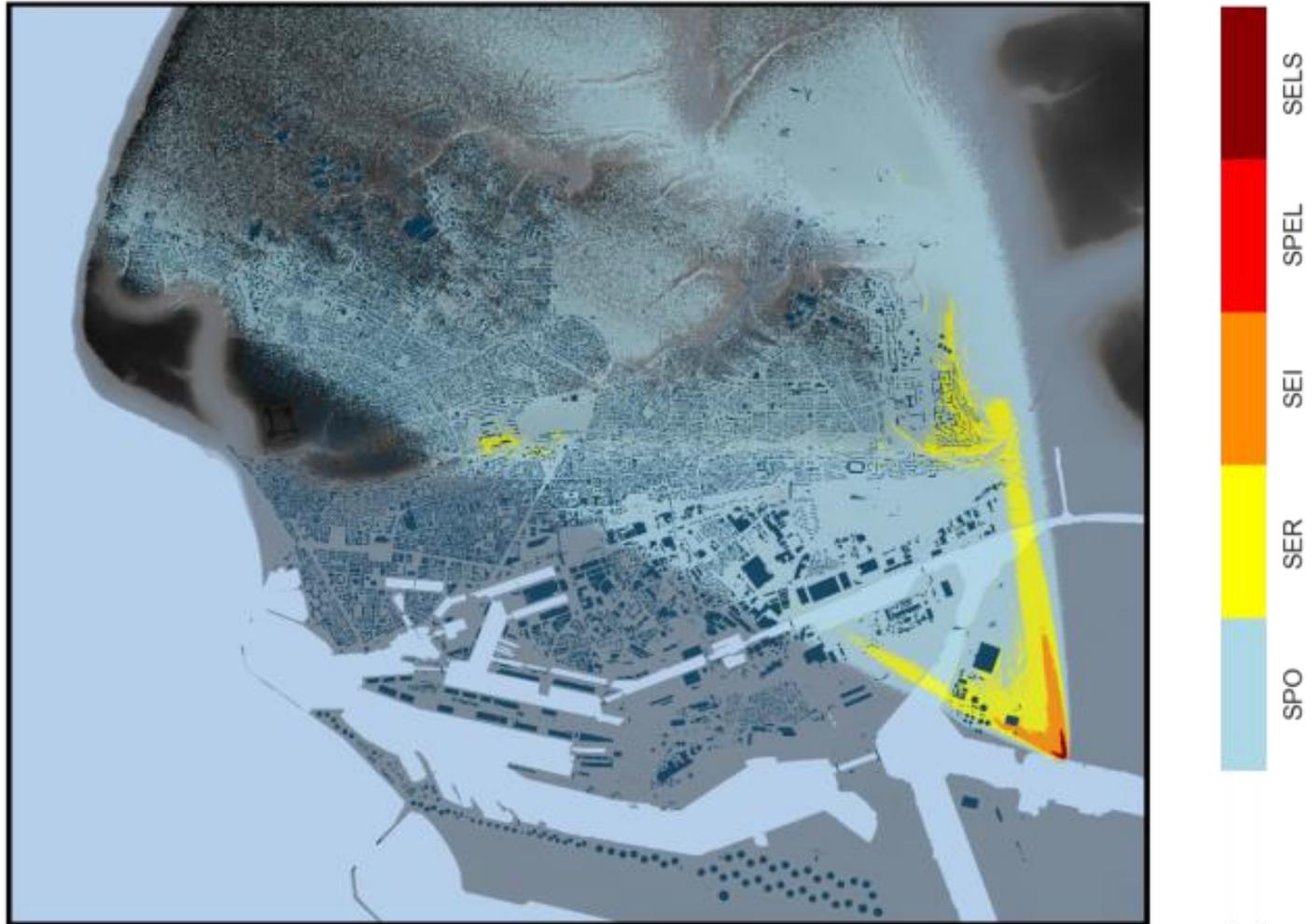
☐ Threshold doses (aka "toxic loads") defined as follows:

- $D_{seuil}(\Delta t) = C_{seuil}(dt) \Delta t$ where:
- *seuil* corresponds to SELS, SPEL, SEI or SER
- Δt is the exposure duration
- $C_{seuil}(\Delta t)$ is the threshold concentration for the exposure duration Δt

☐ Computation of the dose and comparison with the threshold values

Deterministic map of the danger zones

☑ "Reference" simulation (mode values of the parameters)

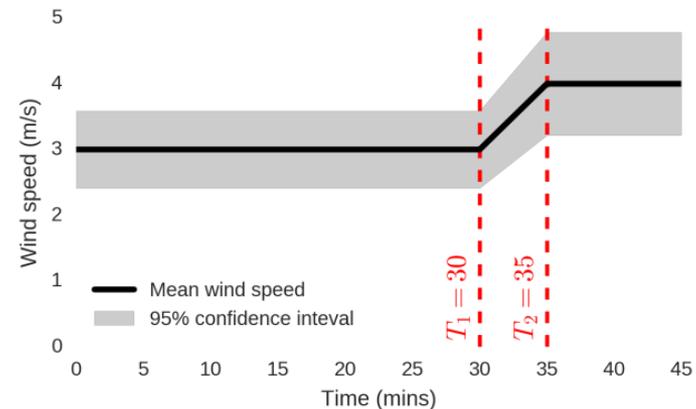
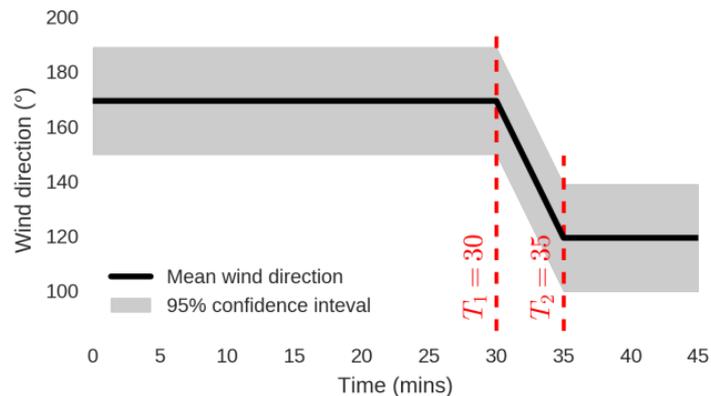


Modelling of the input data uncertainty

Probability laws

| Variable | Distribution |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Wind speed #1 (°) | $N(170, \sigma_1 = 10)$ |
| Wind speed #1 (m/s) | $N(3, 0.3)$ |
| Wind direction #2 (°) | $N(120, \sigma_2 = 10)$ |
| Wind direction #2 (m/s) | $N(4, 0.4)$ |
| Temperature gradient (°C/100 m) | $LN(\mu = -0.1, \sigma = 0.7, \gamma = -2)$ |
| Release height (m) | $U[0,20]$ |
| Amount of pollutant (mg) | $LN(\mu = 7.65 E9, \sigma = 5.1 E9, \gamma = 0)$ |

Emphasis on the wind conditions



Uncertainty modelling and risk assessment

- Quantity of interest \gg Probability that the dose received by an individual at a given point in the domain exceeds a critical threshold for his health

$$P[D(\mathbf{X}; \mathbf{p}, t) > \text{SEI}] \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{1}_{D(\mathbf{p}, t) > \text{SEI}}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}; \mathbf{p}, t)$$

Where

- \mathbf{X} is the random vector of uncertain parameters
- $D(\mathbf{X}; \mathbf{p}, t)$ is the dose computed with PSWIFT-PSPRAY at (\mathbf{p}, t) for \mathbf{X}
- $\mathbf{1}_{D(\mathbf{p}, t) > \text{SEI}}$ is the indicator function that is equal to one if the SEI threshold is exceeded for a given realization $\mathbf{x}^{(i)}$ of \mathbf{X} and zero otherwise
- N is the size of the Monte-Carlo experiment

Uncertainty propagation methodology (1/3)

Brute-force approach

- The probability of exceedance field can be estimated with Monte Carlo sampling

$$\hat{P}(\mathbf{p}, t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{1}_{D(\mathbf{p}, t) > SEI(X^{(i)}; \mathbf{p}, t)}$$

- This estimator converges as the number of samples (and runs) increases!
- Convergence is measured in terms of its coefficient of variation

$$\delta = \frac{\sqrt{\text{Var}[\hat{P}(\mathbf{p}, t)]}}{\hat{P}(\mathbf{p}, t)} = \sqrt{\frac{1 - p(\mathbf{p}, t)}{Np(\mathbf{p}, t)}}$$

- Hence, a minimum of 10 000 samples is required in order to achieve a reasonable coefficient of variation of 10% for a probability of 1%

Uncertainty propagation methodology (2/3)

We propose to replace PSWIFT-PSPRAY by a **surrogate model** that is **much faster to evaluate**

📌 Elements of surrogate modelling



- * Run the model \mathcal{M} on a well-chosen set of input gathered in an experimental design
- * The purpose is to capture the largest amount of information about the functional relationship between the input x and output y of the model
- * Choose a family of surrogate models amongst artificial neural networks (ANN), support vector machine (SVM), Gaussian processes (GP), generalized linear models (LM), etc.
- * Compute the surrogate model parameters from the dataset $\mathcal{D} = ((\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \mathbf{y}^{(i)}), i = 1, \dots, m)$
- * Compute statistics of the relative error between the original and approximate models
- * The purpose is to qualify the surrogate model on a bounded domain of the input space
- * Use the surrogate model instead of the original model to speed up the uncertainty quantification and / or to optimize the post-processing of the results

Uncertainty propagation methodology (3/3)

Family of surrogate models >> Gaussian Process predictors (aka "kriging")

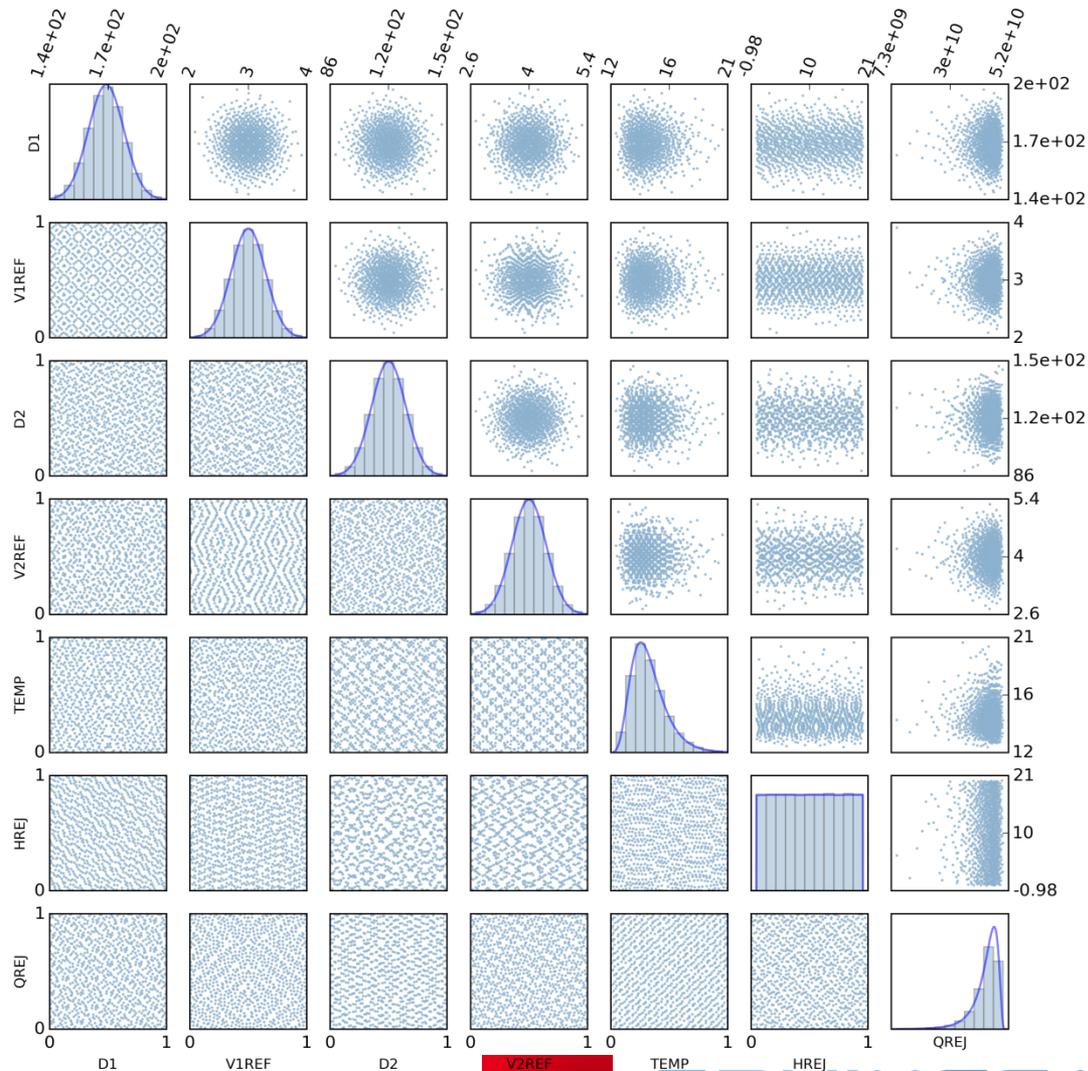
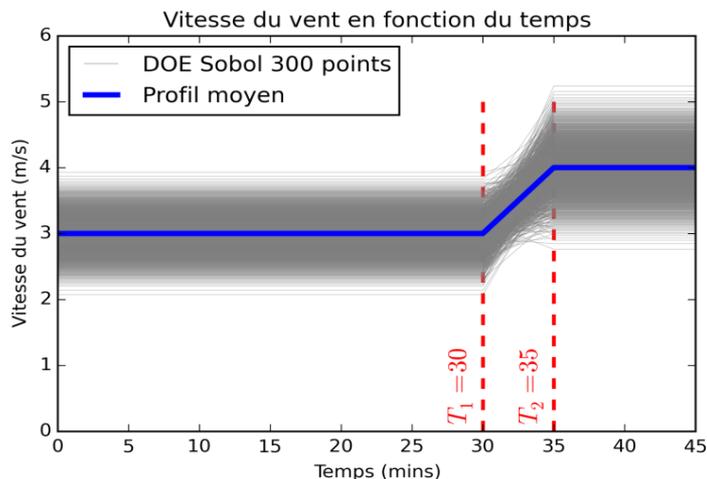
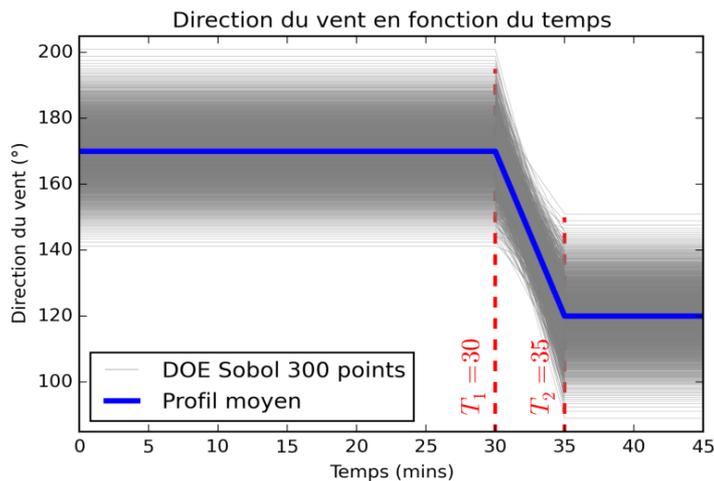
- Prediction of $y = D(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{p}_0, t_0)$ at point \mathbf{p}_0 and time t_0 for any parameters \mathbf{x}
- Kriging is a Bayesian prediction technique that uses the joint distribution of the observations and the unobserved values of the dose Y
- The conditional distribution of the dose is Gaussian: $\hat{Y}(\mathbf{x}) \sim \mathcal{N}_1(\mu_{\hat{Y}}(\mathbf{x}), \sigma_{\hat{Y}}^2(\mathbf{x}))$
- Expected value of the dose for \mathbf{x} and probability that the dose exceeds a given threshold with respect to the uncertainty in the surrogate model

Dimension reduction using Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

- Kriging for all \mathbf{p} and t >> $N_{\text{tiles}} \times N_x \times N_y \times N_t = 63 \times 430 \times 430 \times 60 \approx 700 \cdot 10^6$!
- Significant spatio-temporal correlation (coherence) in the output is used for reducing the dimension to a minimal vector of principal components.
- GP Predictors are applied to each component of the reduced vector
- An inverse transform is used to restore the response on the original vector

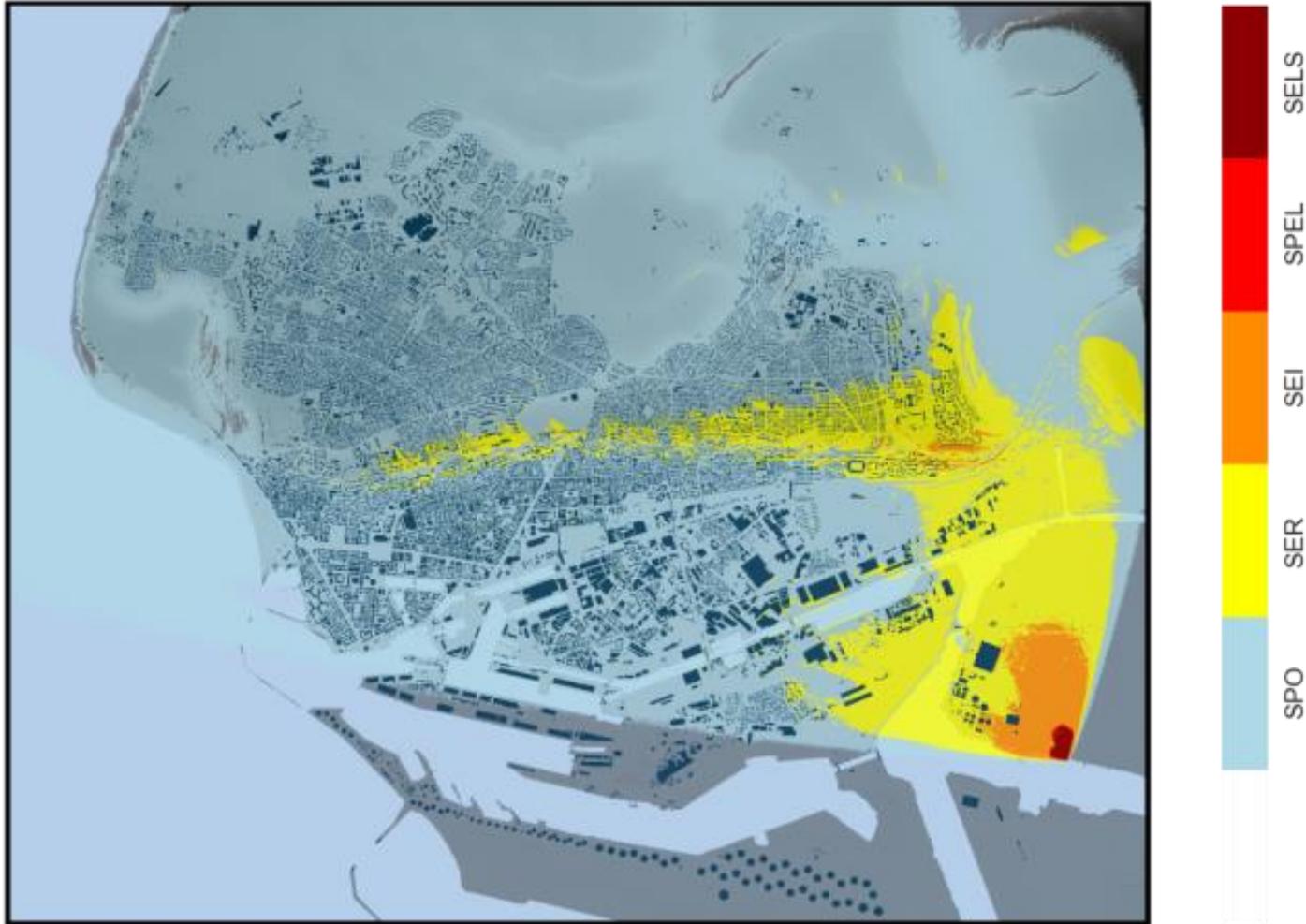
Results - Monte Carlo approach (1/3)

Reference DOE generated from a Sobol' sequence of size 1'000



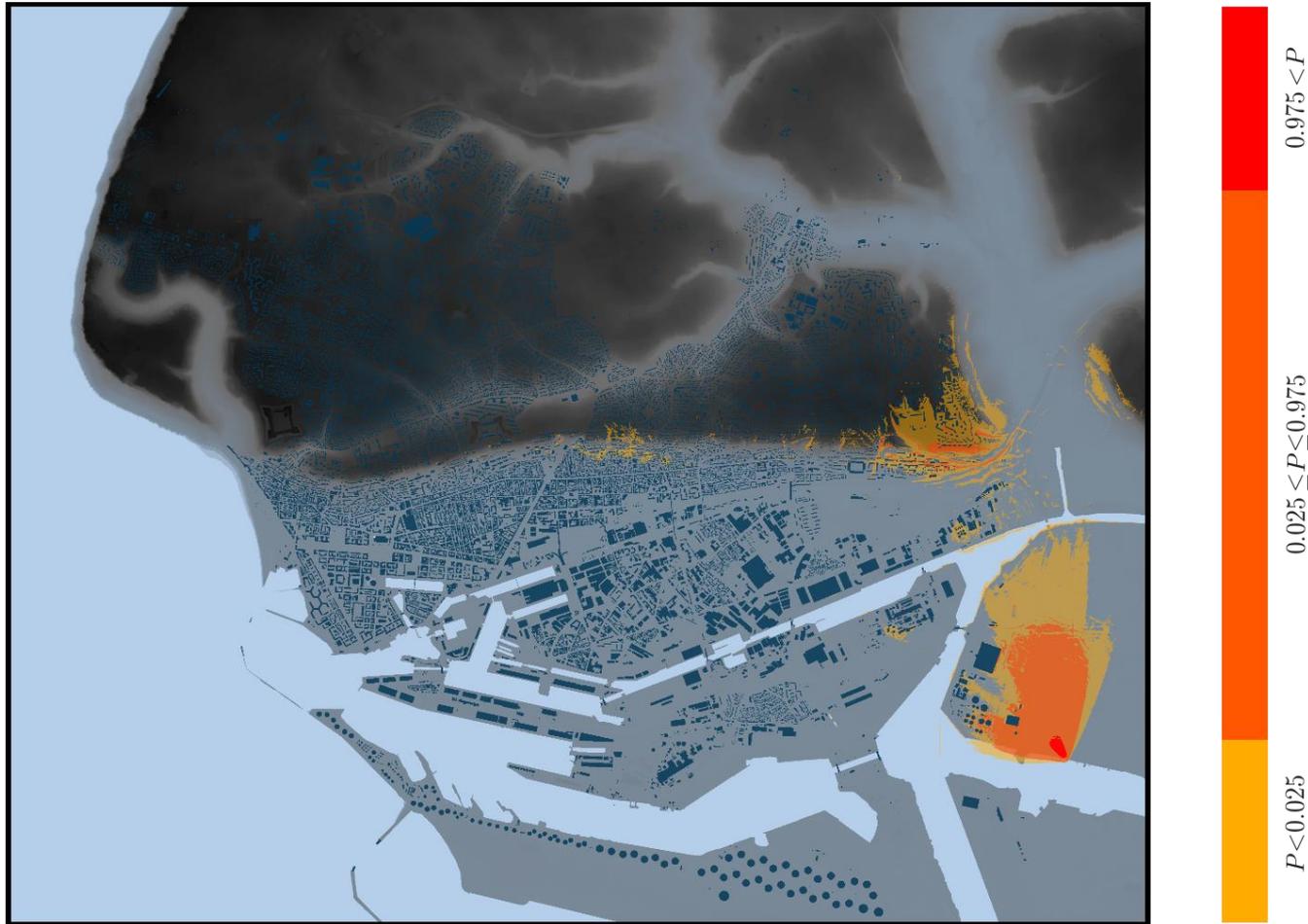
Results - Monte Carlo approach (2/3)

- Map of danger zones with a probability of exceedance larger than 2.5%



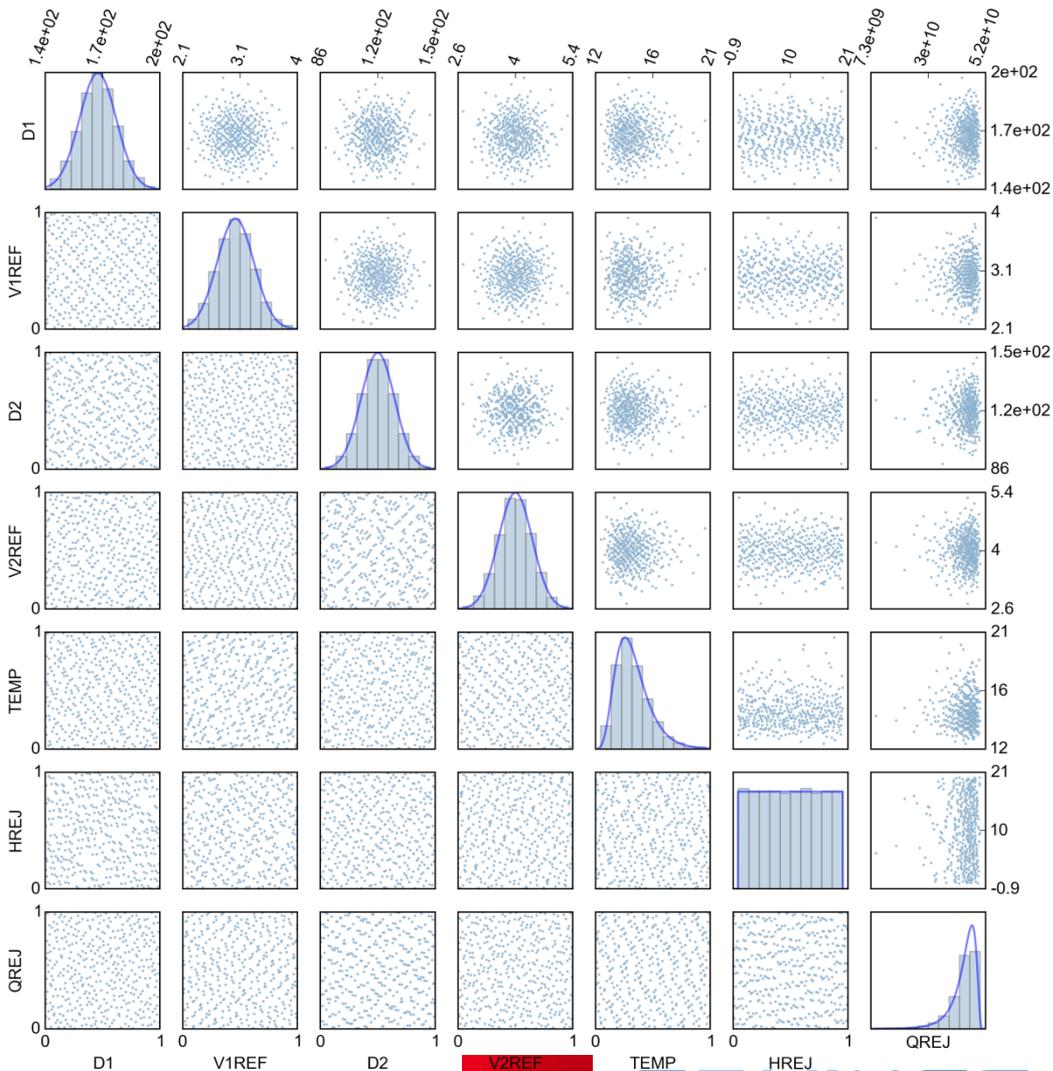
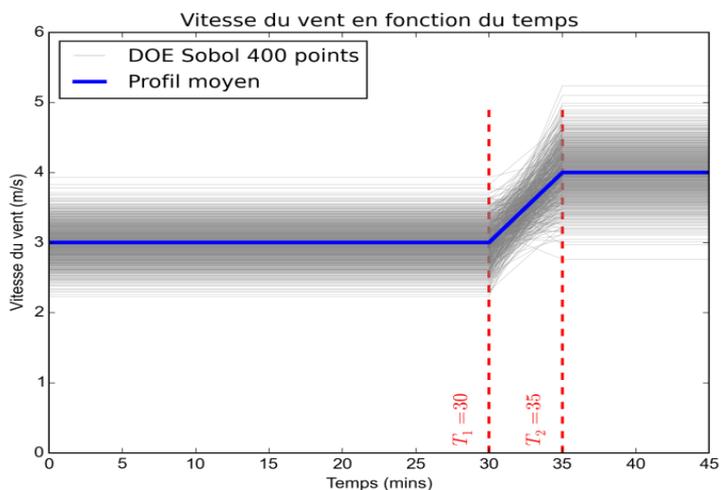
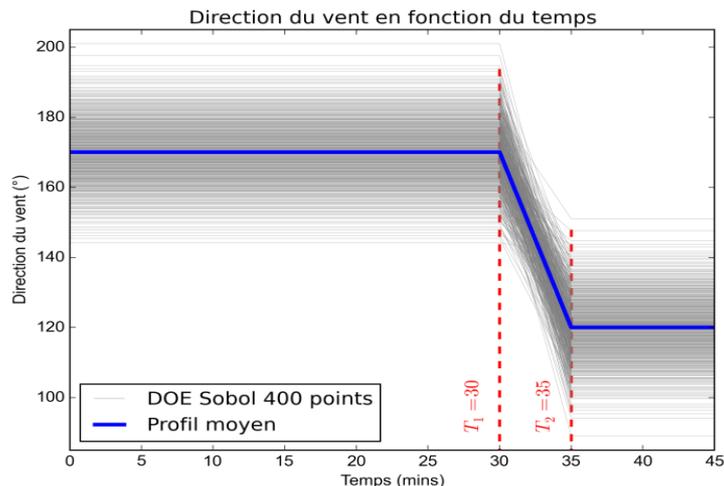
Results - Monte Carlo approach (3/3)

- 95% confidence interval of the boundary of the SEI danger zone (SEI: irreversible effects threshold)



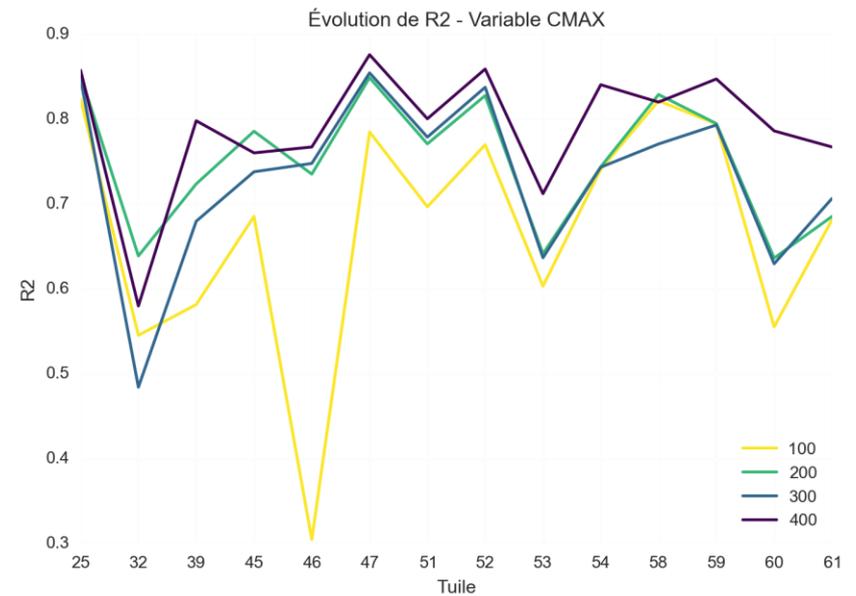
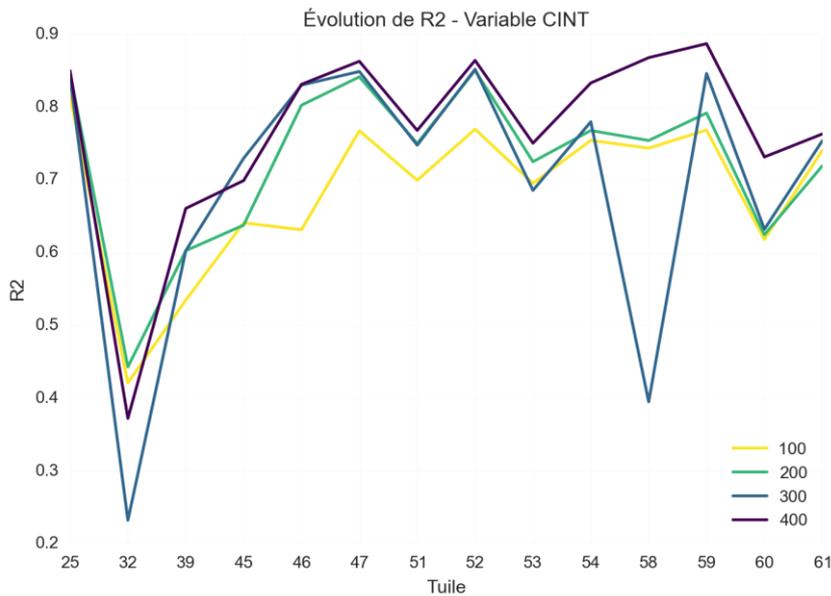
Results - Surrogate modeling approach (1/3)

☑ Training DOE \gg First 400 points of the reference DOE



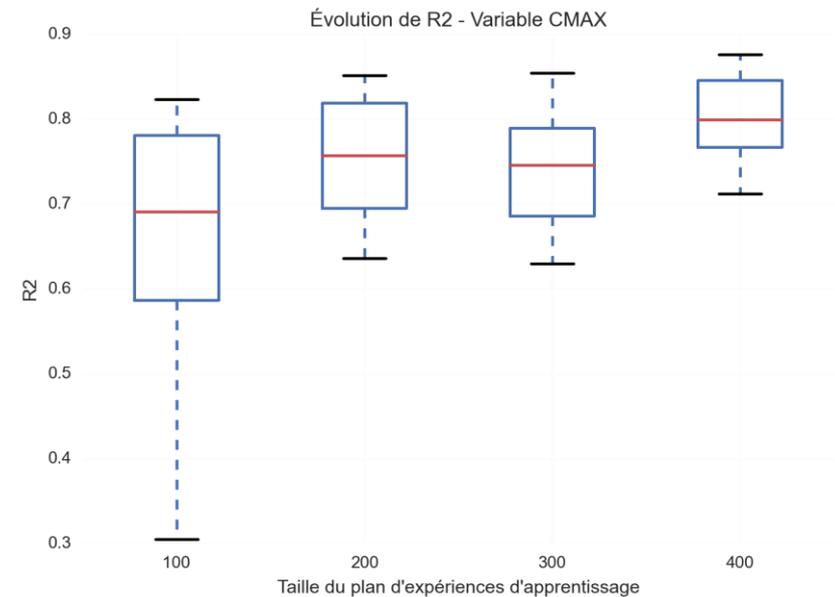
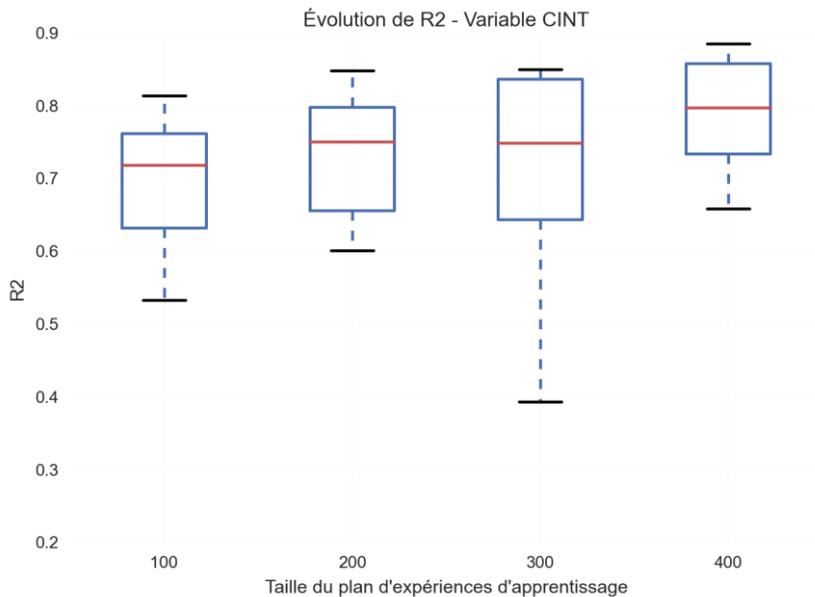
Results - Surrogate modeling approach (2/3)

- ④ Coefficient of determination of the surrogate models for each of the tiles and for training DOE of size 100, 200, 300 and 400



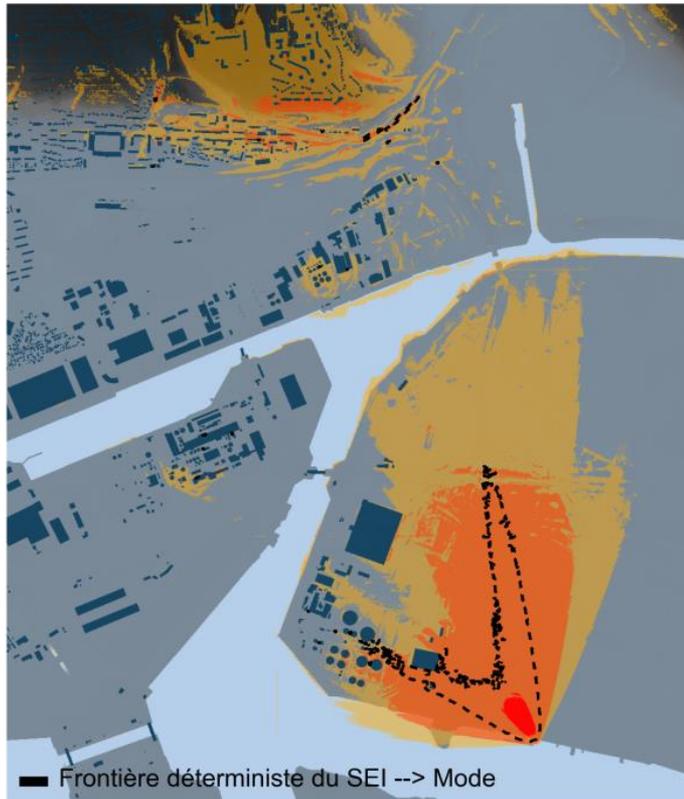
Results - Surrogate modeling approach (3/3)

- Distribution of the coefficient of determination of the surrogate models for all tiles and training DOE of size 100, 200, 300 and 400

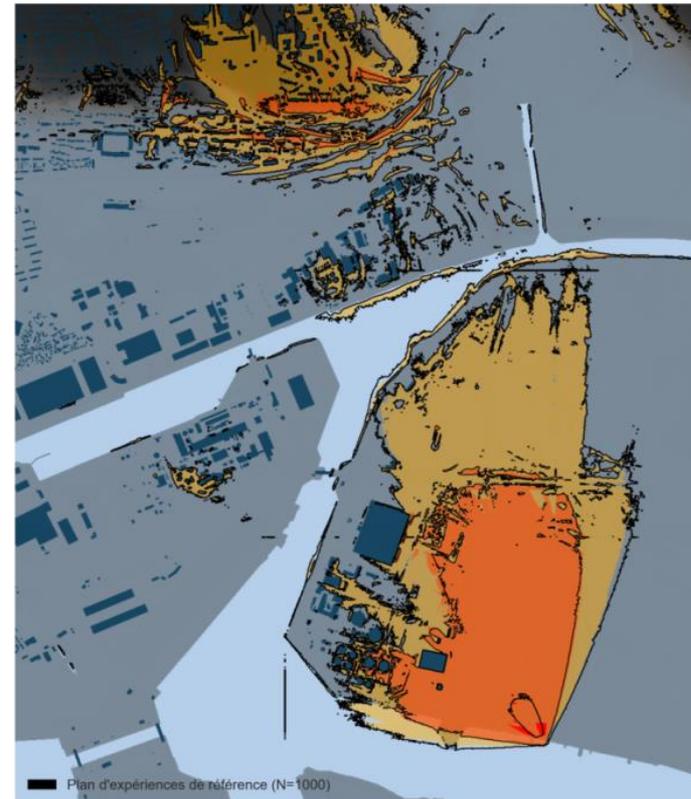


Results - Comparison of various approaches

- 95% confidence interval of the boundary of the SEI danger zone (SEI: irreversible effects threshold)



Deterministic approach in black superposed to the Monte Carlo reference



Monte-Carlo reference in black superposed to the Gaussian Predictor approach



Conclusions

- Wind conditions have a great influence on the boundaries of the danger zones, that is why the 95% confidence interval is considerably wide
- Taking uncertainty into account reveals danger zones not identified by the deterministic approach (especially along the cliff)
- Even when applying a worst-case-scenario deterministic approach, maps may not reflect the impact of uncertainty on the wind conditions and some potential danger zones may be neglected
- With "only" 400 PSWIFT-PSPRAY simulations and surrogate modelling, we were able to obtain a reliable estimate of the 95% confidence interval of the boundary of the danger zones
- Surrogates are fitted in ~ 40 minutes and predictions take between 1 and 5 minutes depending on the number of simulations
- Further studies will be focused on sensitivity analysis and take account of real meteorological conditions