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## Economic impacts of drought in Spain

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# Goals

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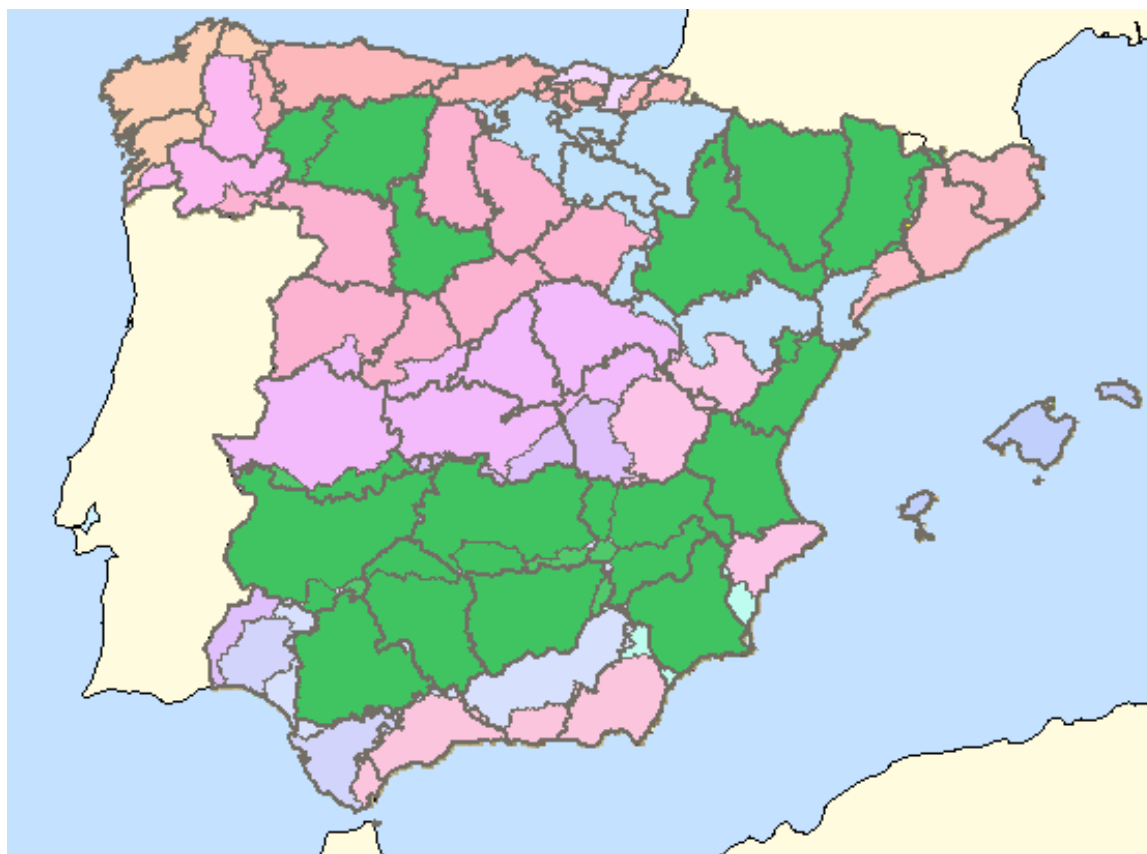
- Develop attribution models of droughts' socio-economic impacts in the farm sector (only):
  - Macro-level (Gross Value Added and employment)
  - Micro-level (Production value of irrigated land)
- Develop risk management methodology to obtain ex –ante economic drought effects

# Study areas

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## 14 Provinces

- Sevilla, Córdoba & Jaén  
(**Guadalquivir**),
- Lleida, Huesca & Zaragoza  
(**Ebro**),
- Murcia (**Segura**),
- Albacete, Castellón & Valencia  
(**Júcar**),
- Badajoz & Ciudad Real  
(**Guadiana**),
- León & Valladolid (**Duero**).



Representing more than 60% of Spanish irrigated acreage  
2 million ha; €10 billion of output

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# Method 1: attribution models

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- Variables of interest:

## MACRO

- Gross-Value Added= Prod-input costs (Labour and Capital imbursements) (All farm sectors) (€)
- Farm employment = number of employees

## MICRO

- Irrig Prod Value= surface \* yield \* prices (€)

# Method 1: attribution models

- Regression models:

[Eq. 1]  $GVA_{it} = a_i + b_i T_t + c_i R_{it} + \varepsilon_{it}$  (Gross-Value

Added)  
 $Empl_{it} = a_i + b_i T_t + c_i R_{it} + \varepsilon_{it}$

[Eq. 2]  $IPV_{it} = a_i + b_i T_t + c_i R_{it} + d_i Ip_{it} + u_{it}$  (Farm  
employment)

[Ed.3] (Irrig Prod  
Value)

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$R$  : Water Availal **ceigram** filled s (age)



# Methods 2: Risk models

## Economic Risk Management Instrument ( $1+t$

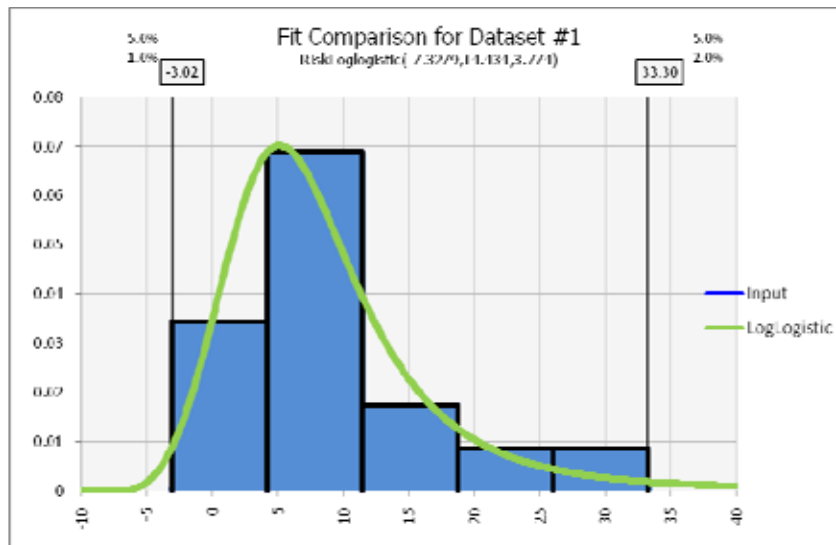
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(season)

$$\tilde{R}_{i,1+t}^h = \tilde{R}_{i,t}^h + \Delta \tilde{R}_{i,t+1}^h$$

- Attribution model

- $\tilde{R}_{i,1+t}^h$  Available storage
- Stochastic run-off
- Fitted distribution



- Monte-Carlo Simulation
- Monthly revisions

# Data

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- Geographical Unit: Province (14 provinces)
- Time data: 1995-2007 (14 years)
- Provincial Agric statistics (94 crops: yield, area and prices)
- Gross-Value Added (Macro-economic output of the 'entire' farm sector).
- Employment (Social Security records of farm workers)

# Results 1

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- Regression models
  - Macro:
    - Gross Value Added (€)
    - Employment (no. Jobs, hired and own-farm)
  - Micro:
    - Production value in irrigated land (€)

# Results: Macro-economic variables

## Adjusted R2 (two nested models)

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*GVA*: Gross value added (includes livestock, rainfed, irrig)

*Empl*: Employment (farm)

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*R* : Water Availability (% of filled storage)

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## Adjusted R2 (two models)

Province	Gross Value Added	
	Trend	Trend+Wat
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Badajoz	0.37	0.54
Castellón	0.36	0.86
C. Real	0.68	0.64
Córdoba	0.70	0.70
Huesca	0.47	0.41
Jaén	0.00	0.28
León	0.21	0.14
Lleida	0.39	0.32
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Badajoz	0.70	0.80	0.97	0.97
Castellón	0.92	0.95	0.99	0.99
C. Real	0.86	0.86	0.74	0.73
Córdoba	0.81	0.96	0.80	0.77
Huesca	-0.11	-0.29	0.66	0.66
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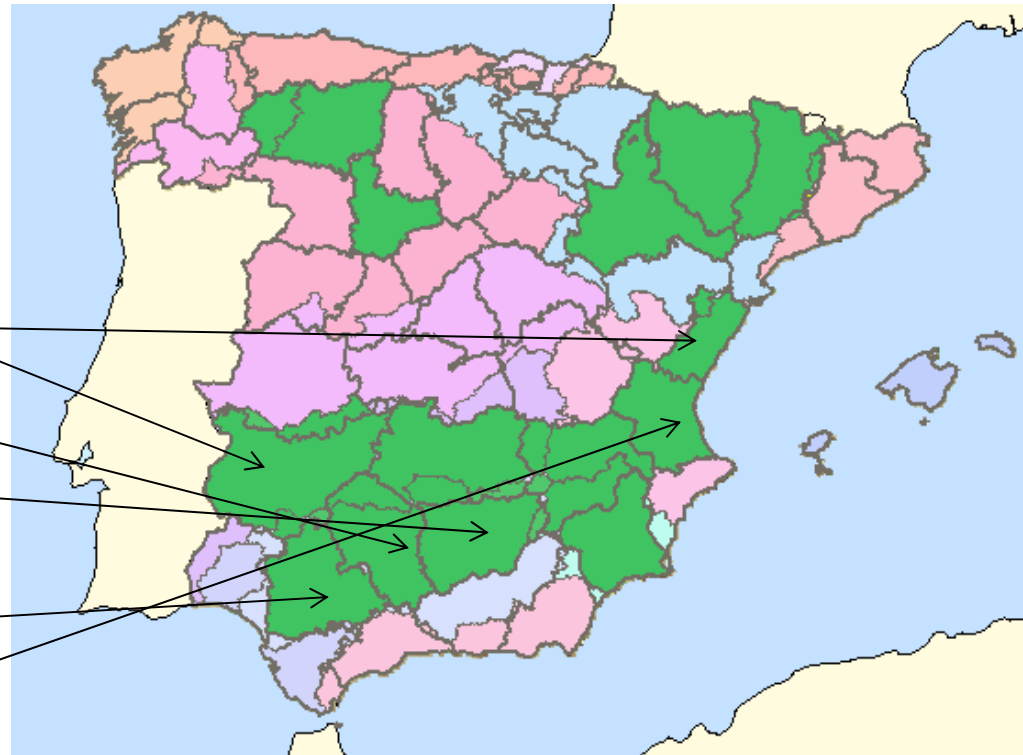
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# Results: Micro-economic variable

## Three nested models

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*IPV*: Irrigation production value (€)

*T*: Trend (Year)

*R* : Water Availability (% of filled storage over total storage, April st)

*Ip*: Price index

# Results: Micro-economic variables

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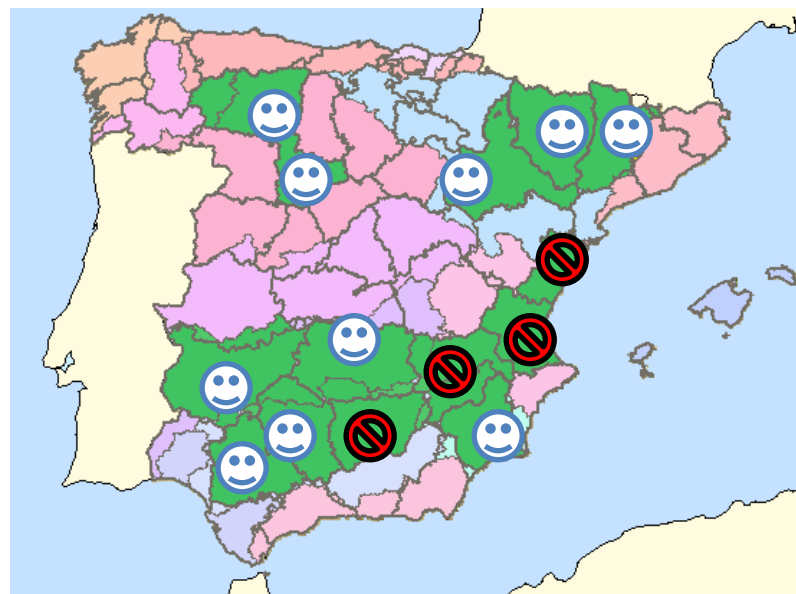
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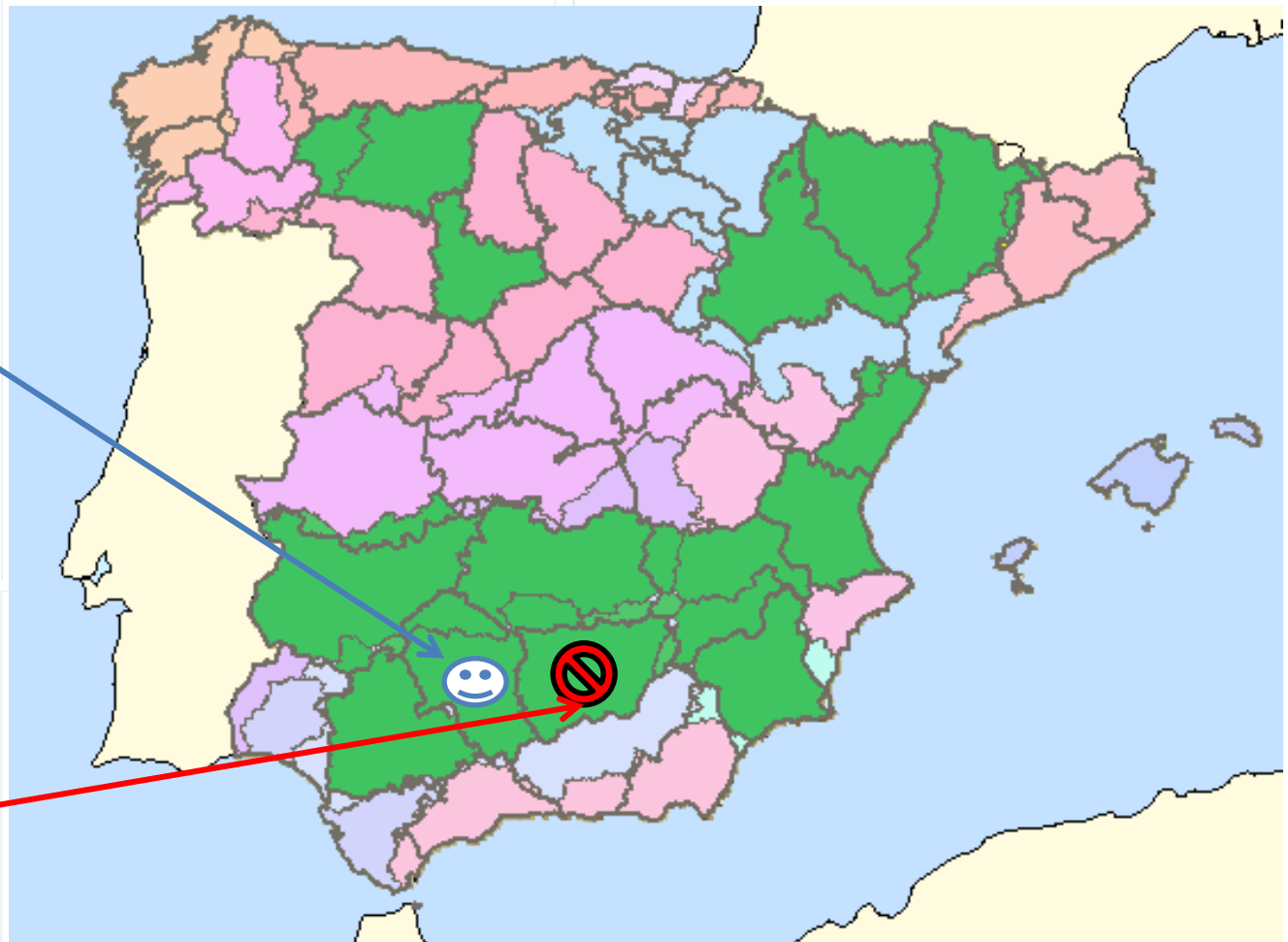
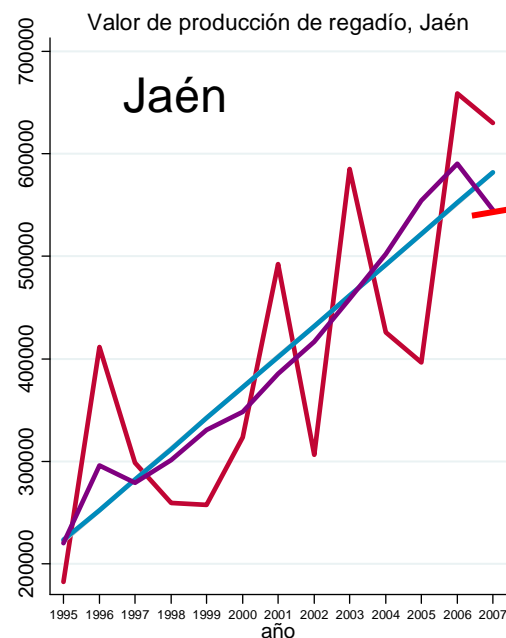
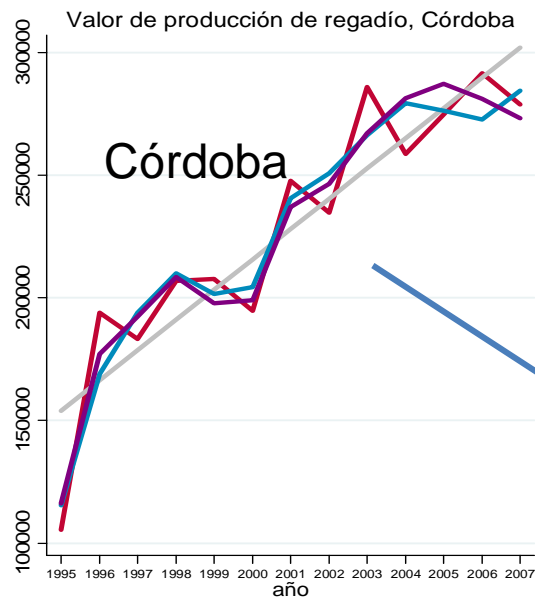
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# Results: Micro-economic variables



## Results 2

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- Simulation of supply risks obtain ex-ante economic drought effects:
  - Micro:
    - Production value in irrigated land (€  
prob)

# Results: Economic Risk models

- Based on the fitted models for Irrig Produc Value

$$IPV_{i,1+t} = \hat{a}_i + \hat{b}_i T_{t+1} + \hat{c}_i \tilde{R}_{i,1+t}^h + \hat{d}_i Ip_t + \tilde{u}_i$$

**Pdfs of  $\Delta\tilde{R}_{i,t+1}^h$  for  
storage systems**

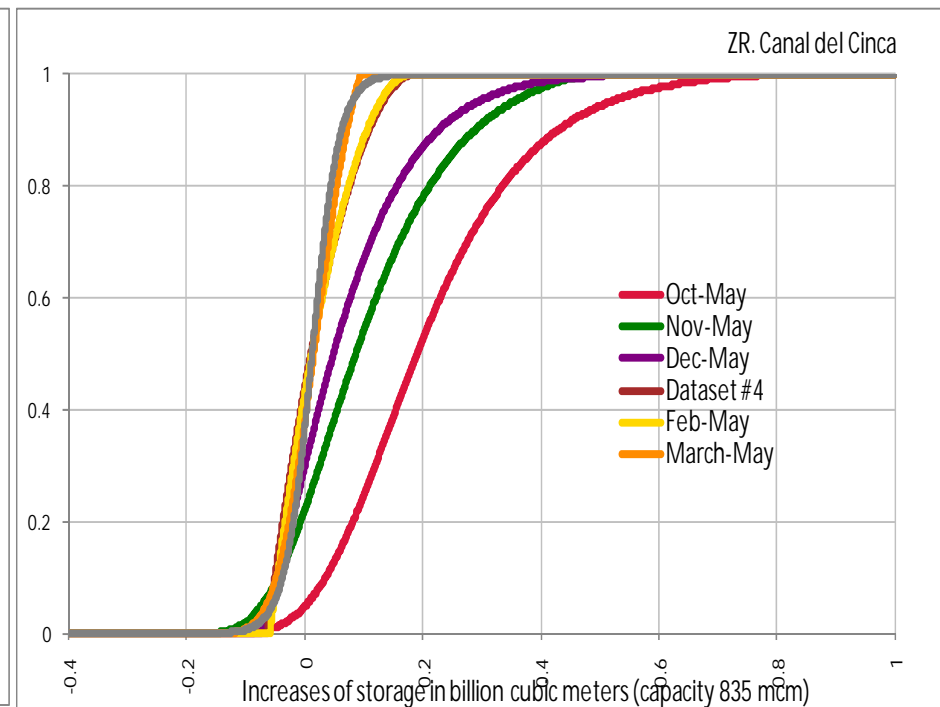
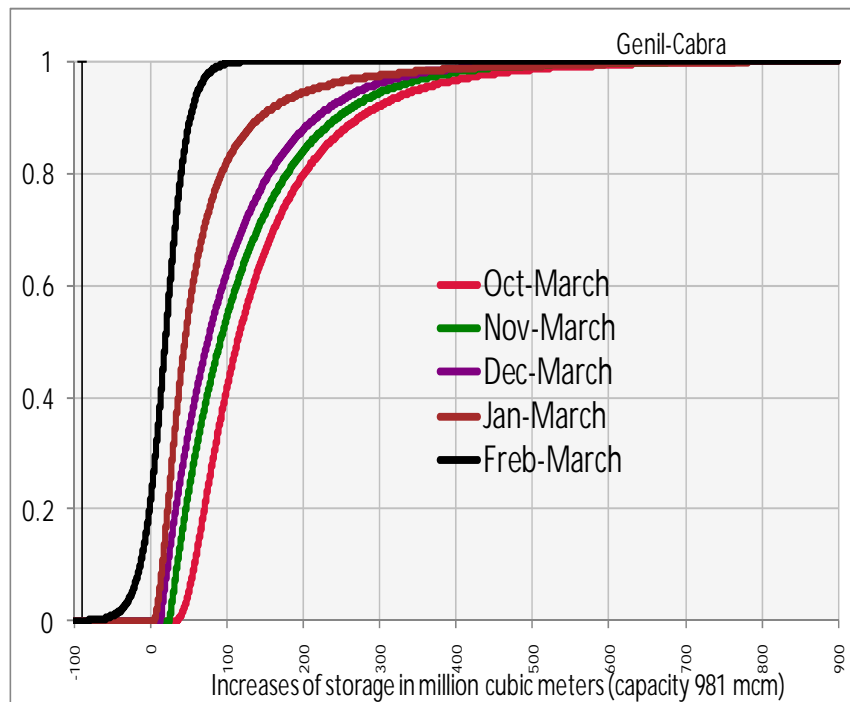
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# Results: Economic Risk models

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## Pdfs of $\Delta\tilde{R}_{i,t+1}^h$ for two important reservoirs



# Results: Economic Risk models

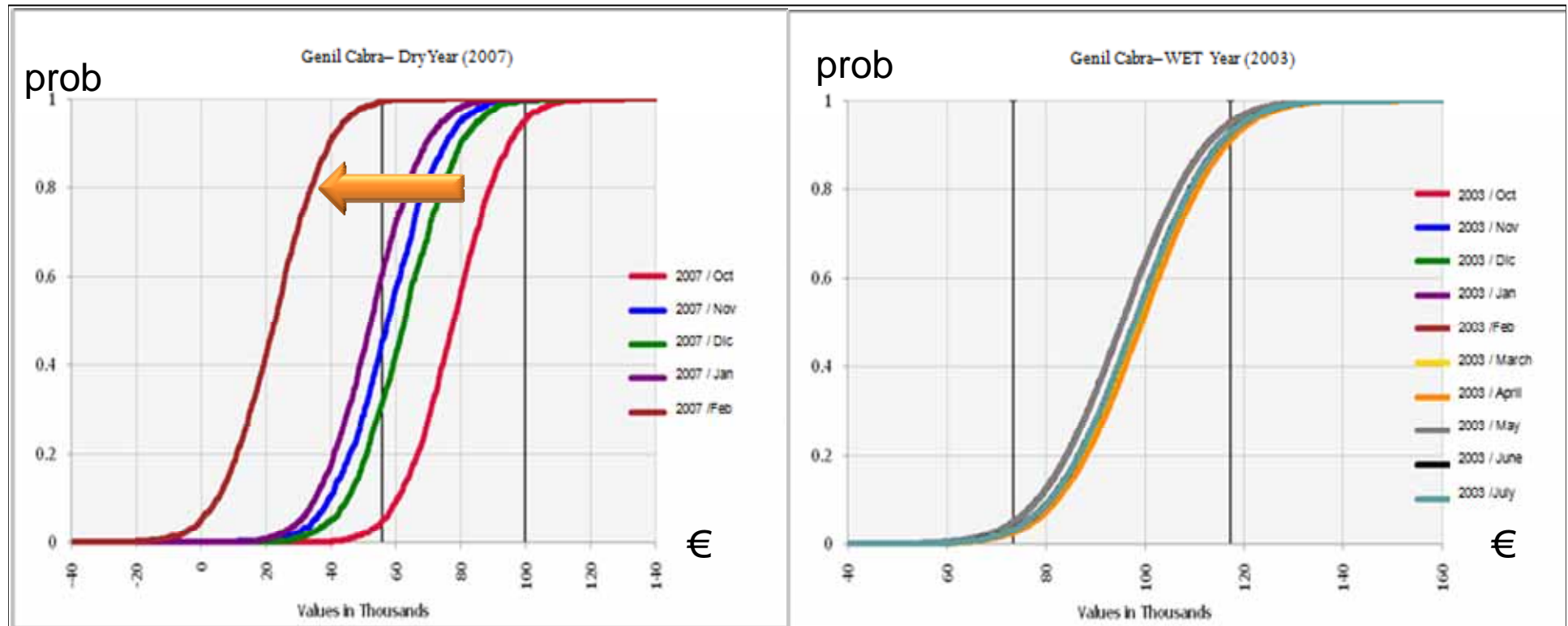
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**Pdfs of  $I\tilde{P}V_{i,1+t}^h$  for Genil-Cabra (Córdoba,**

**Andalusia)**

Drought-evolving year (2007)

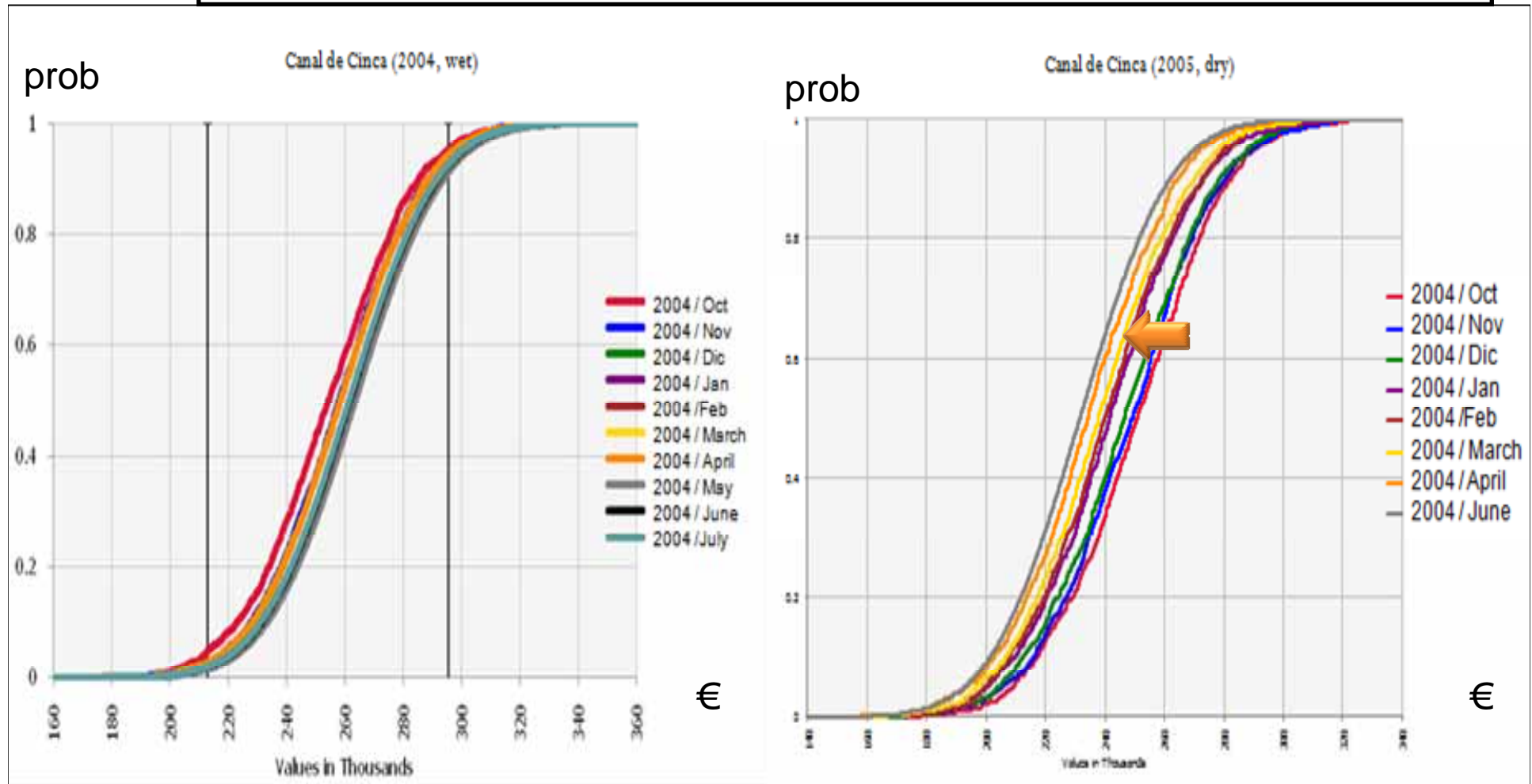
Wet year (2003)



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**Pdfs of  $I\tilde{P}V_{i,1+t}^h$  for Cinca (Huesca, Ebro Basin)**



# Conclusions

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- Economic impacts of drought can be measured at micro- and macro-levels:
  - macro- effects are less important than micro- even within the agric sector
- Economic impacts of drought must be carefully analysed, using robust attribution models:
  - Isolating the effects of water supply variability from other non water-related effects (trends & farm prices)

# Conclusions

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- Each geographical unit (province) has idiosyncratic components:
  - Use of gwt
  - Type of products and markets
  - Surface storage system
  - Cropping patterns
  - Labour requirements

# Conclusions

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- Drought preparedness requires that ECONOMIC models be used in conjunction with HYDROL models.
- If impact attribution models can be fitted and supply systems can be characterised in stochastic terms, then:
  - Economic risks of drought can be evaluated
  - Real-time ex –ante evaluations inform preparatory and anticipatory drought strategies.

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Thank you

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