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# airGR & airGRteaching: two packages for rainfall-runoff modeling and teaching hydrology

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The use of R is growing fast in hydrology, as it covers all the steps necessary to lead complete hydrological studies (Slater et al., 2019). GR is a suite of lumped hydrological models designed for flow simulation at various time steps. The models are available in the airGR package and can easily be implemented on a set of catchments with limited data requirements. airGRteaching is an add-on to airGR which simplifies its use and is more specifically oriented towards teaching.

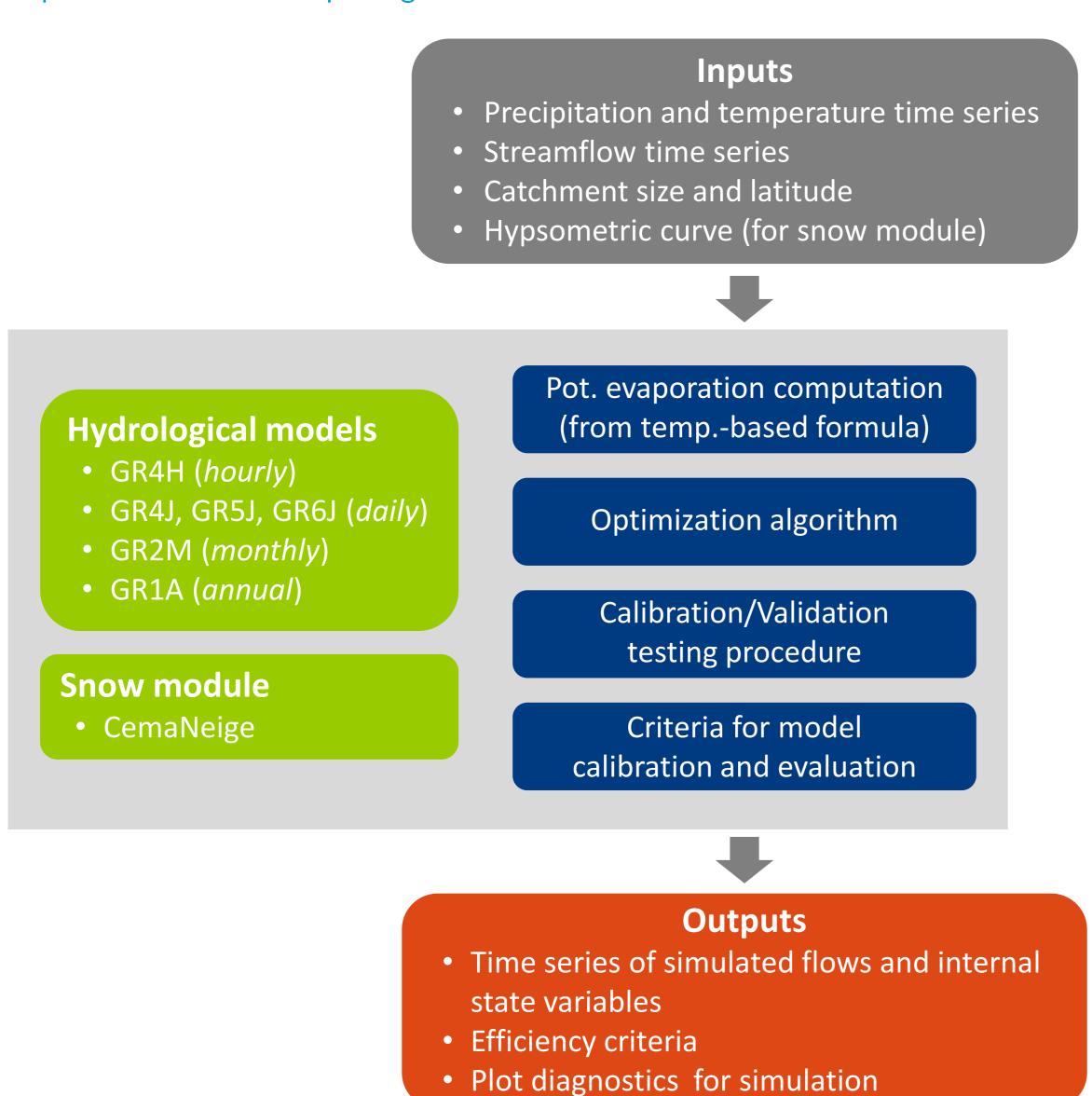
#### **GR** hydrological models

- Designed with the objective to be as efficient as possible for flow simulation at various time steps (from hourly to annual)
- Warranted complexity structures and limited data requirements
- Can be applied on a wide range of conditions, including snowy catchments (CemaNeige snow routine included)

#### From airGR to airGR teaching

- ► The GR hydrological models have been implemented in airGR (Coron et al., 2019)
- ➤ airGRteaching (Delaigue *et al.*, 2019) depends on airGR. It offers simplified functionalities that are particularly suitable for teaching hydrology

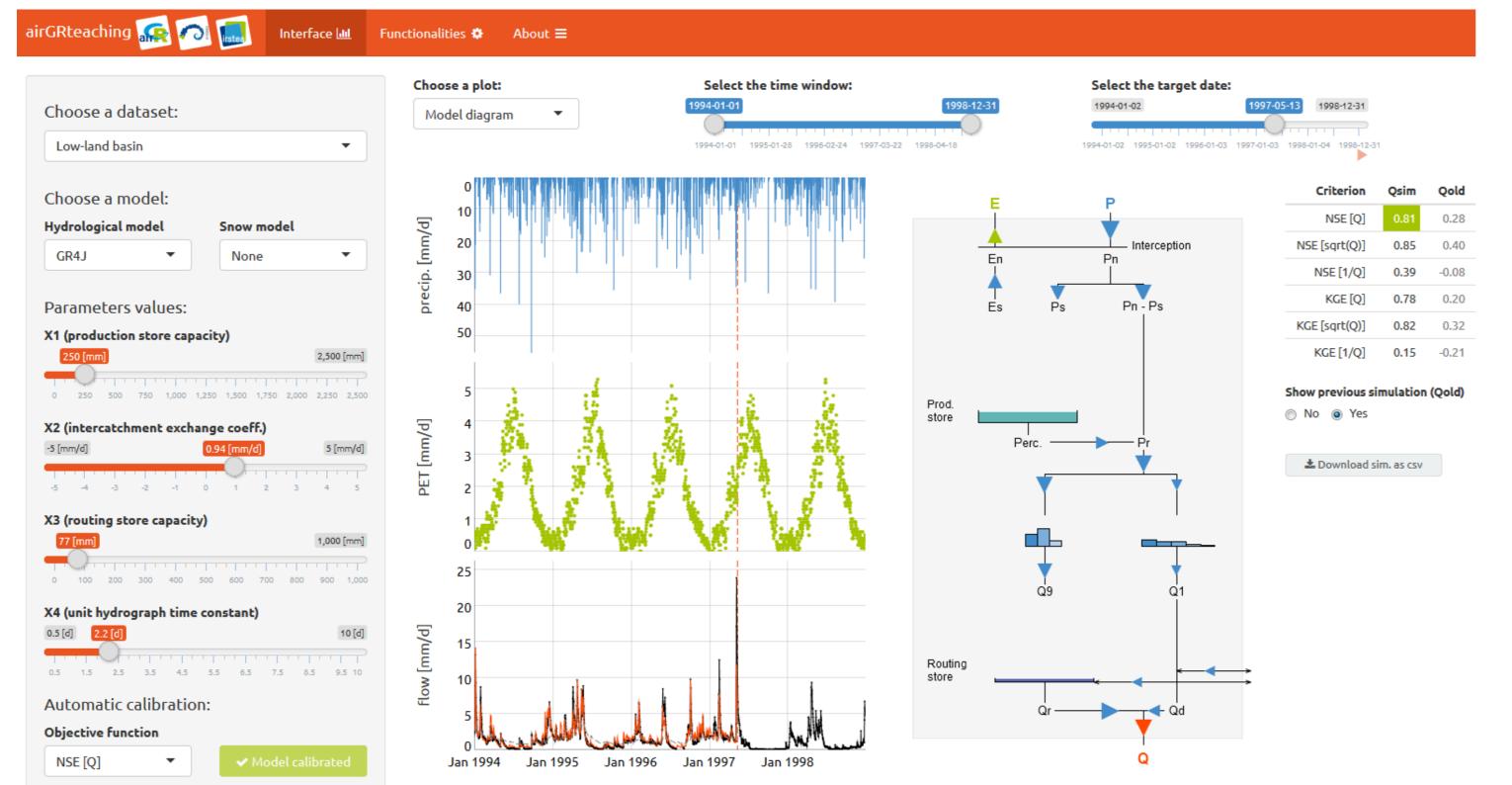
#### Main components of the airGR package



## airGRteaching functionalities

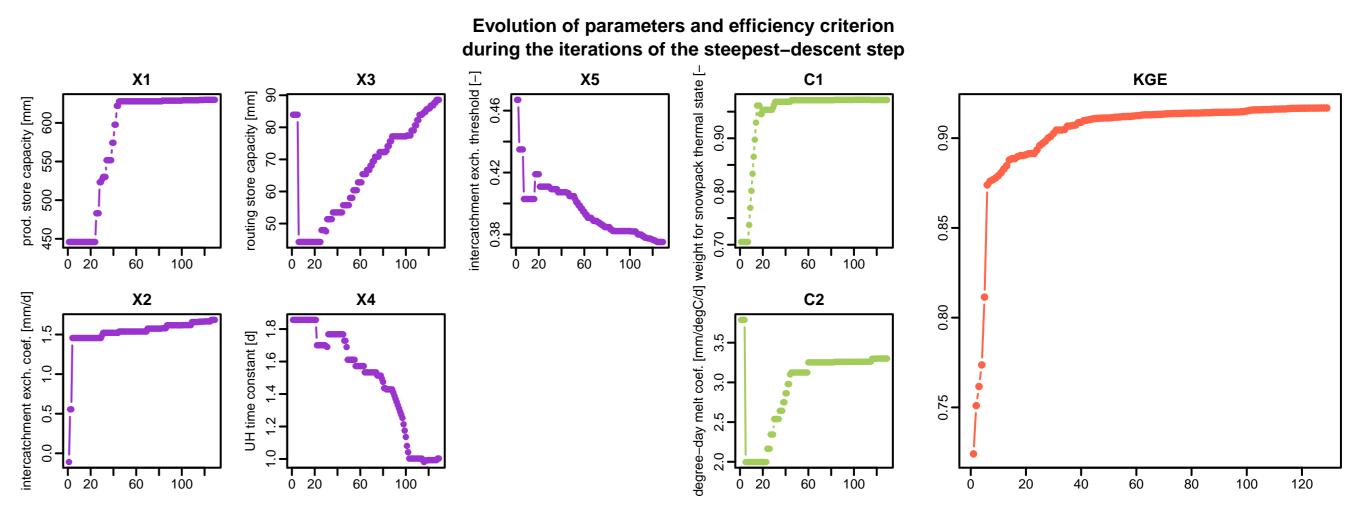
- ► The package only requires a basic level of programming
- Three functions are sufficient to implement the modeling chain:
  - data preparation (PerpGR())
  - model calibration (CalGR())
  - ▶ flow simulation (SimGR())
- > Static and dynamic plots can be applied on outputs of aforementionned functions
- The package proposes a Shiny interface allowing to realize:
  - simulations of flows by manual modification of parameters
  - automatic model calibrations
  - visualization of the internal states of the model

airGRteaching GUI allowing to understand the roles of parameters and internal variables of models



#### Data preparation, calibration and simulation with the GR5J model (+ CemaNeige snow module)

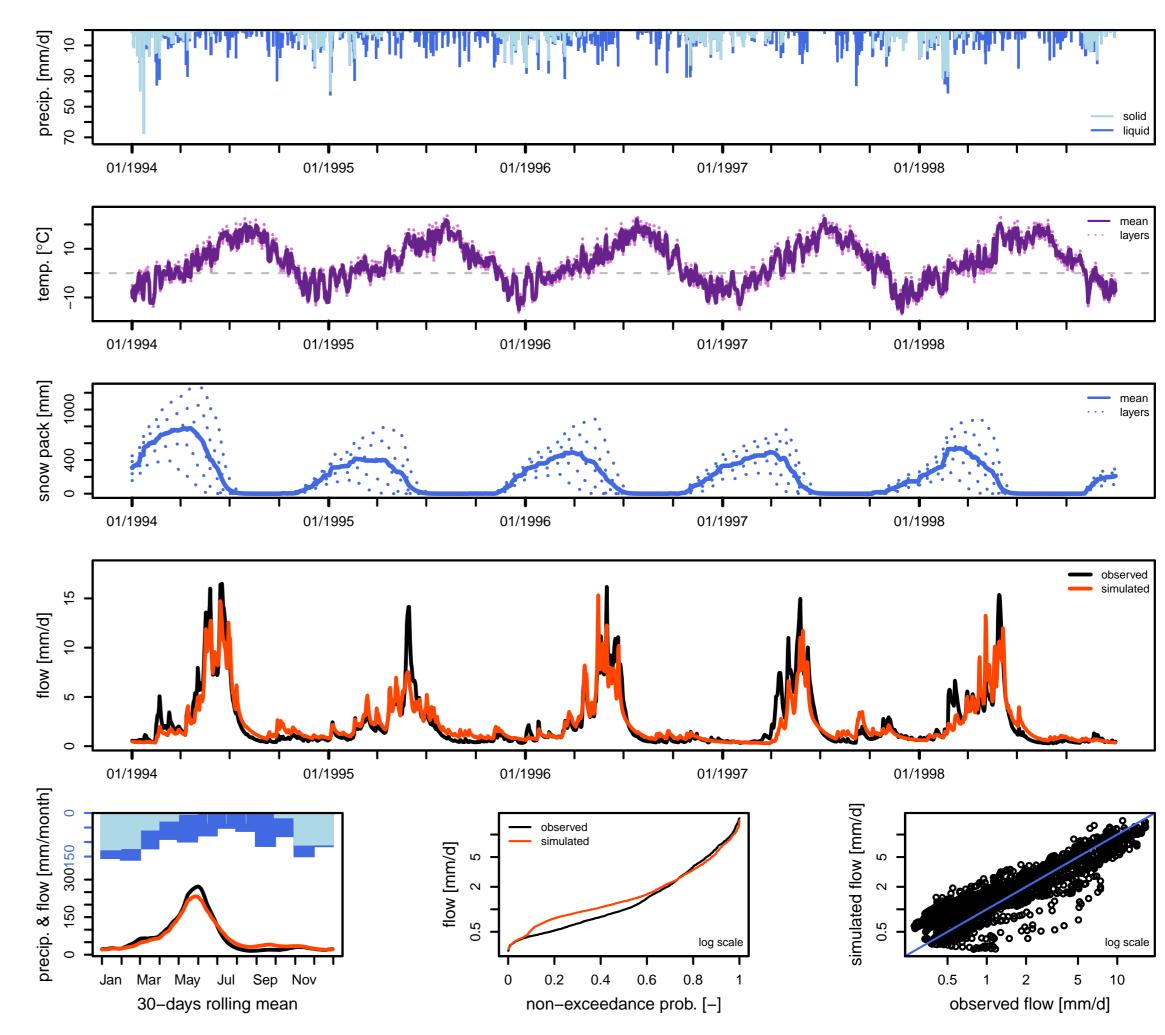
## plot the parameter values and the criterion value during calibration
plot(Cal, which = "iter")



## simulation step using the result of the automatic calibration method
Sim <- SimGR(PrepGR = Prep, CalGR = Cal, EffCrit = "NSE",
WupPer = NULL, SimPer = c("1994-01-01", "1998-12-31"))</pre>

## Crit. NSE[Q] = 0.8376

## plot giving an overview of the model outputs
plot(Sim)



# airGR websites: get started with the packages or discover advanced uses

- High degree of customization with airGR
  - https://hydrogr.github.io/airGR/
- Simple features to learn hydrology with airGRteaching
  https://hydrogr.github.io/airGRteaching/

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