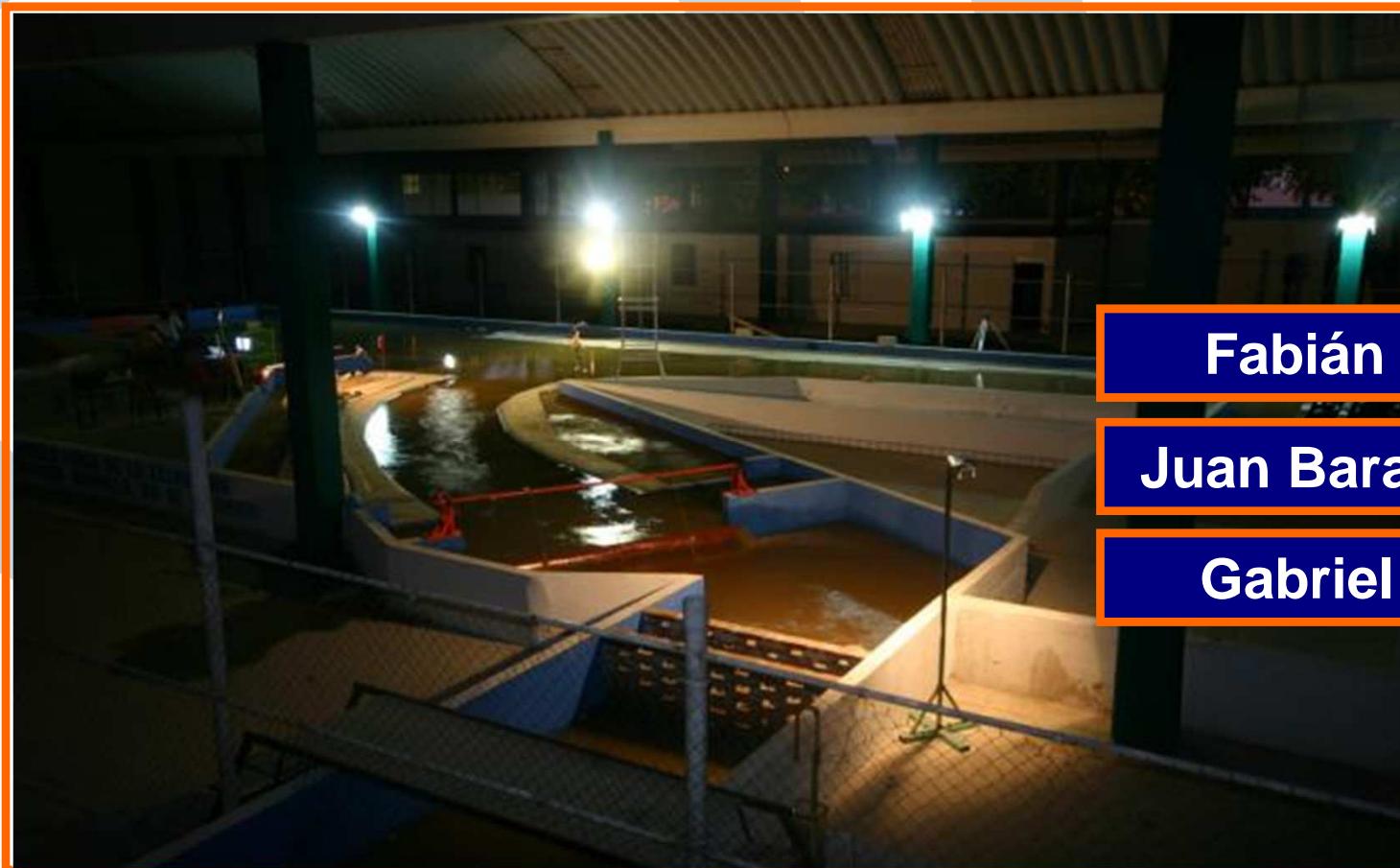




# HYDRAULIC OPERATION OF A DIVERSION STRUCTURE: PHYSICAL MODELING



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# WHERE IS TABASCO?

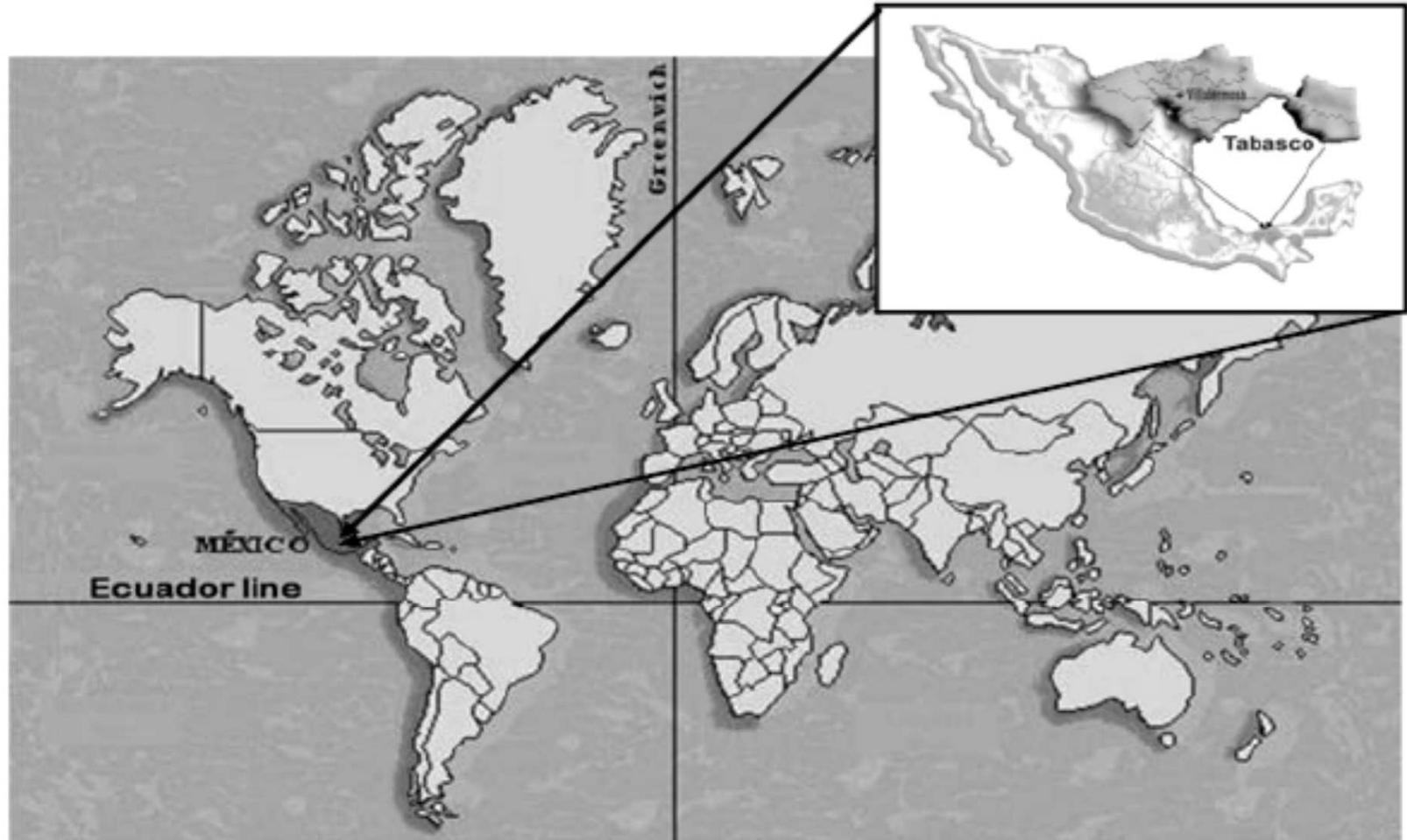


Fig. 1. Tabasco, México.



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# FLOOD PROBLEMS IN TABASCO



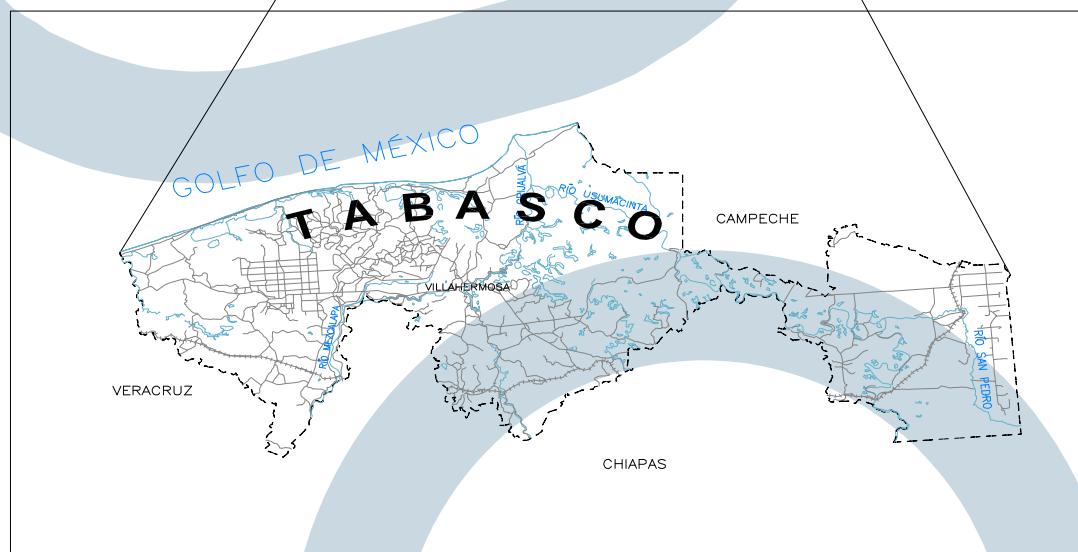
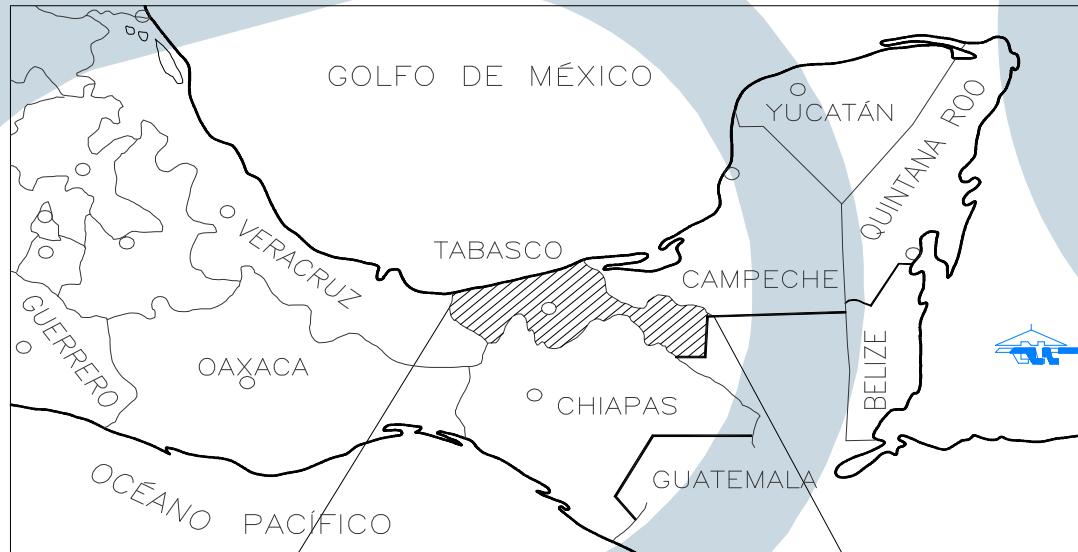
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# THE CAUSE



Extension  
24, 664 km<sup>2</sup>

Proportion of  
national territory  
1.3%

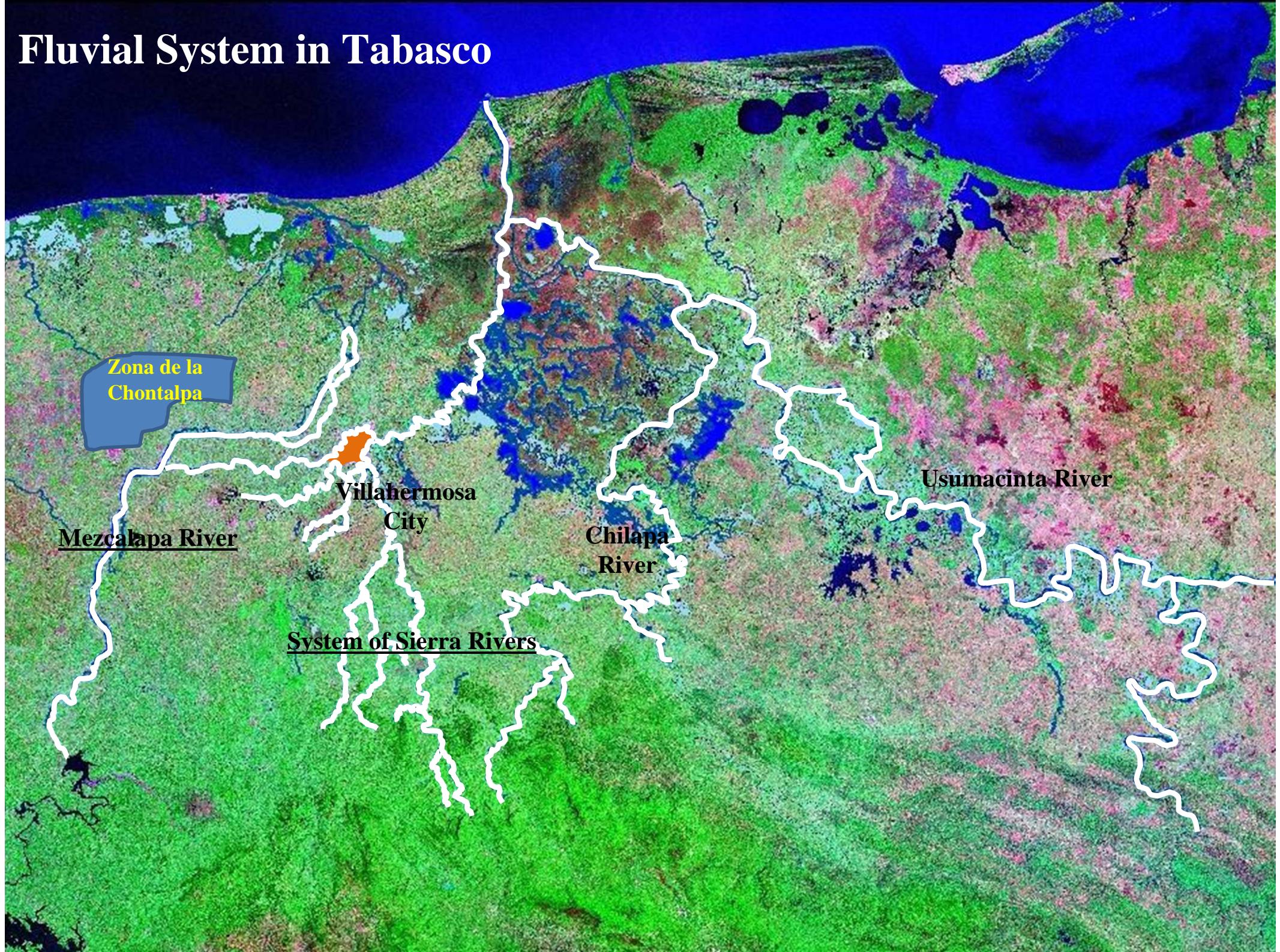




# THE CAUSE



# Fluvial System in Tabasco





# DIVERSION CHANNEL





# PHYSICAL MODEL



- Model design
- Instrumentation
- Calibration
- Test
- Results



## MODEL DESIGN



Size of the laboratory

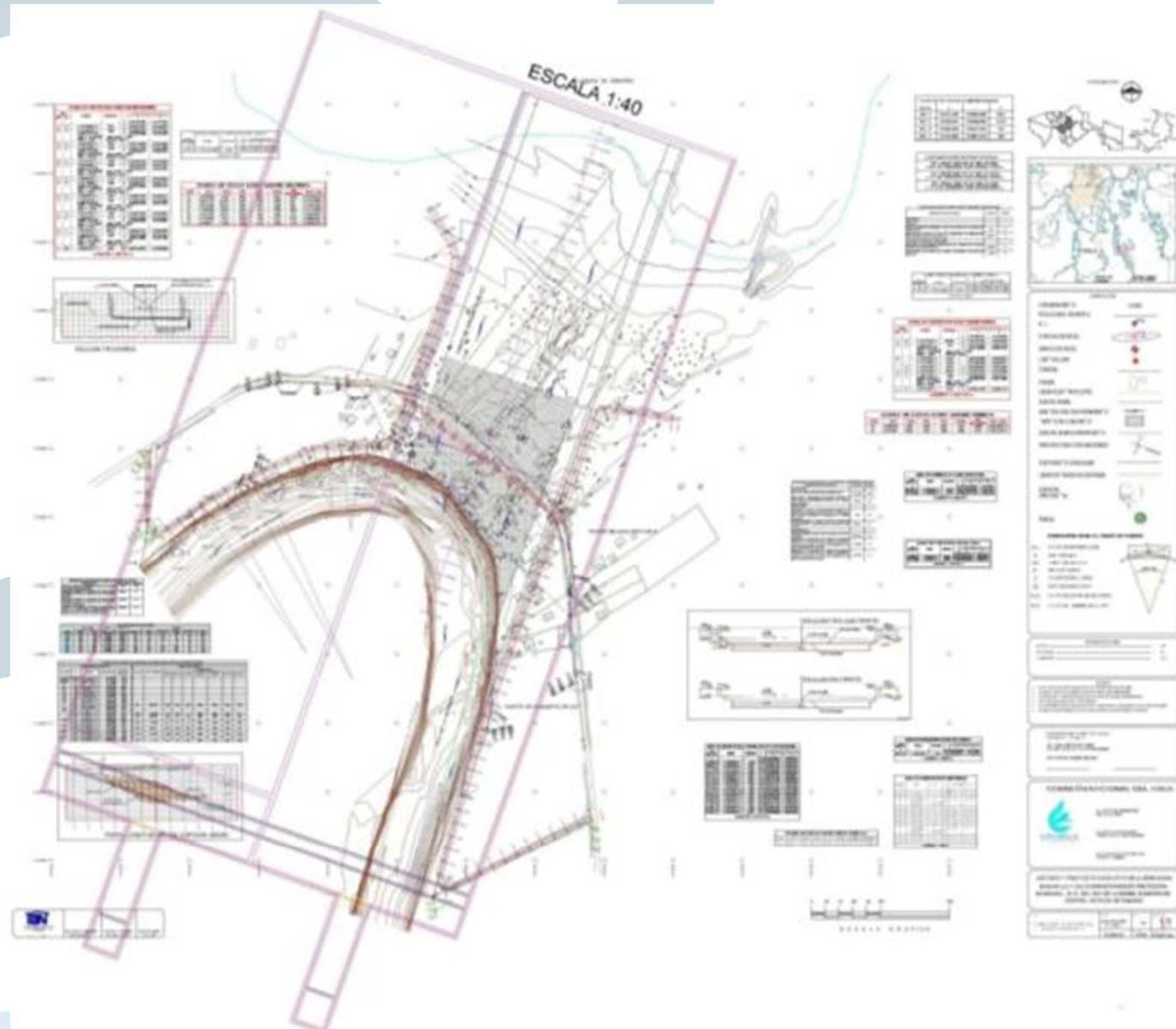
- Geometric scale

Pump capacity

- Not to geometric scale



# Geometry





# Pump capacity

$$Q_m = \frac{Q_p}{Q_e} = \frac{Q_p}{L_e^{5/2}}$$





# Trace and model configuration





# Trace and model configuration





# Trace and model configuration





# INSTRUMENTATION

- Level measurement
- Discharge measurement
- Velocity measurement
- Bed profiler measurement





# Level measurement

Caliper  
Caliper

VERTEDOR

SONDA CH4

Localization of digital level  
measurement

SONDA CH3

EST 0+140  
MICROPROPELA

● PUNTO DE MEDICION  
DE VELOCIDADES

SONDA CH1

SONDA CH0

SONDA CH6

SONDA CH5

VERTEDOR

Caliper



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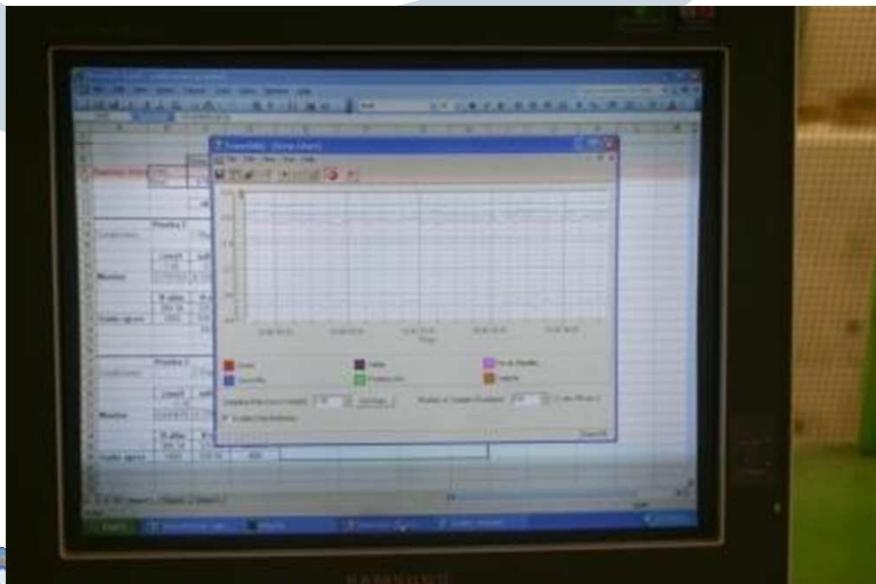
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# Level measurement



DATE,0 ZONA1,1CURVA,3SALIDA,4FRONTERA AA,5FIN DE PLANTILLA,6LAGUNA

12/06/2011 10:38:12.59 A.M.,-1.21,-0.83,-0.61,-0.87,-4.04,-4.08

12/06/2011 10:38:13.59 A.M.,-1.19,-0.89,-0.61,-0.85,-3.98,-4.07

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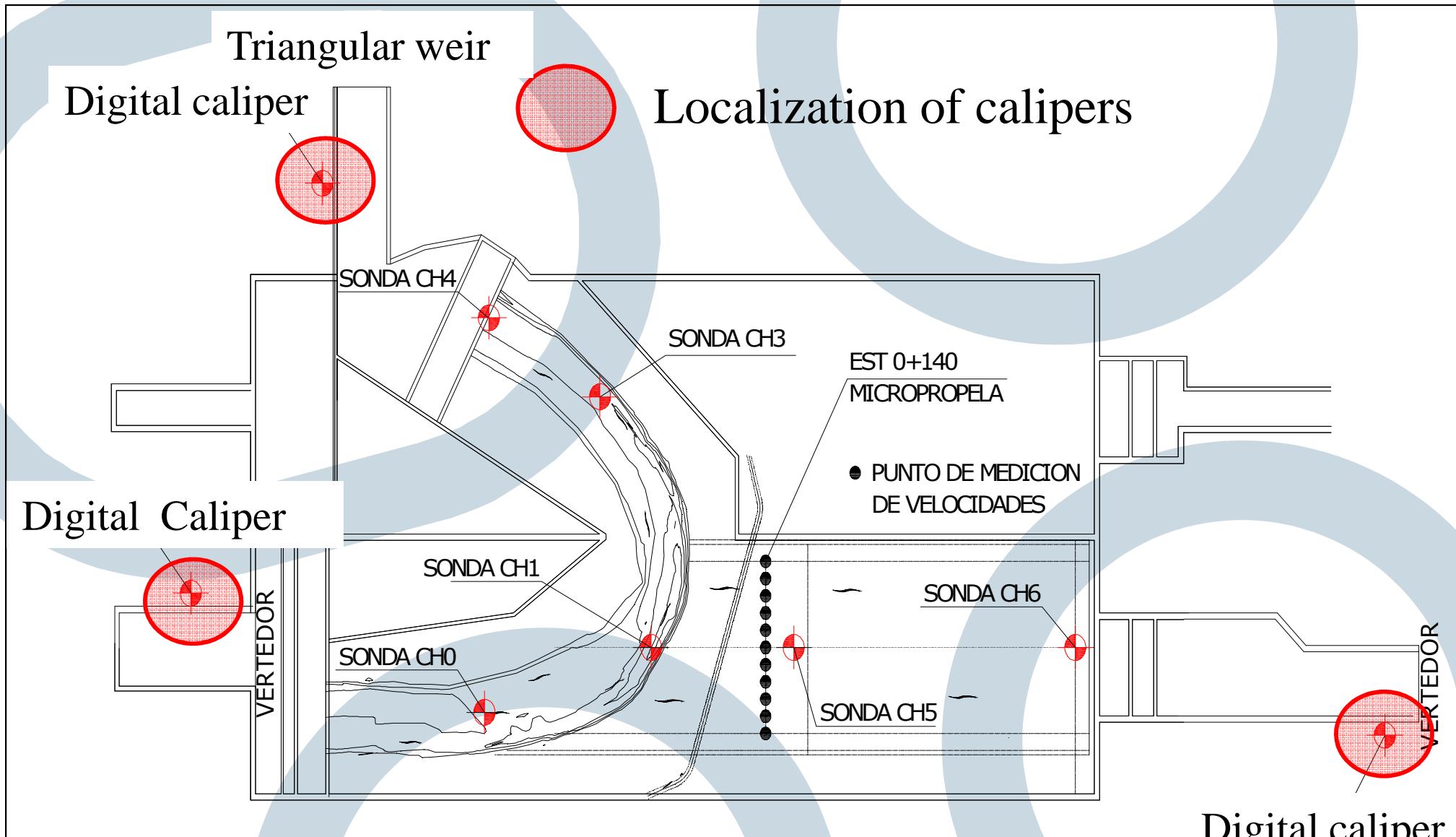


# Level measurement





# Discharge measurements





# Discharge measurements





# Velocities measurements

Digital caliper

VERTEDOR

Measurement zone

Digital Caliper

VERTEDOR

EST 0+140  
MICROPROPELA

● PUNTO DE MEDICION  
DE VELOCIDADES

SONDA CH6

SONDA CH5

VERTEDOR

Digital caliper



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# Velocities measurements





# Bed profiler measurement





# CALIBRATION

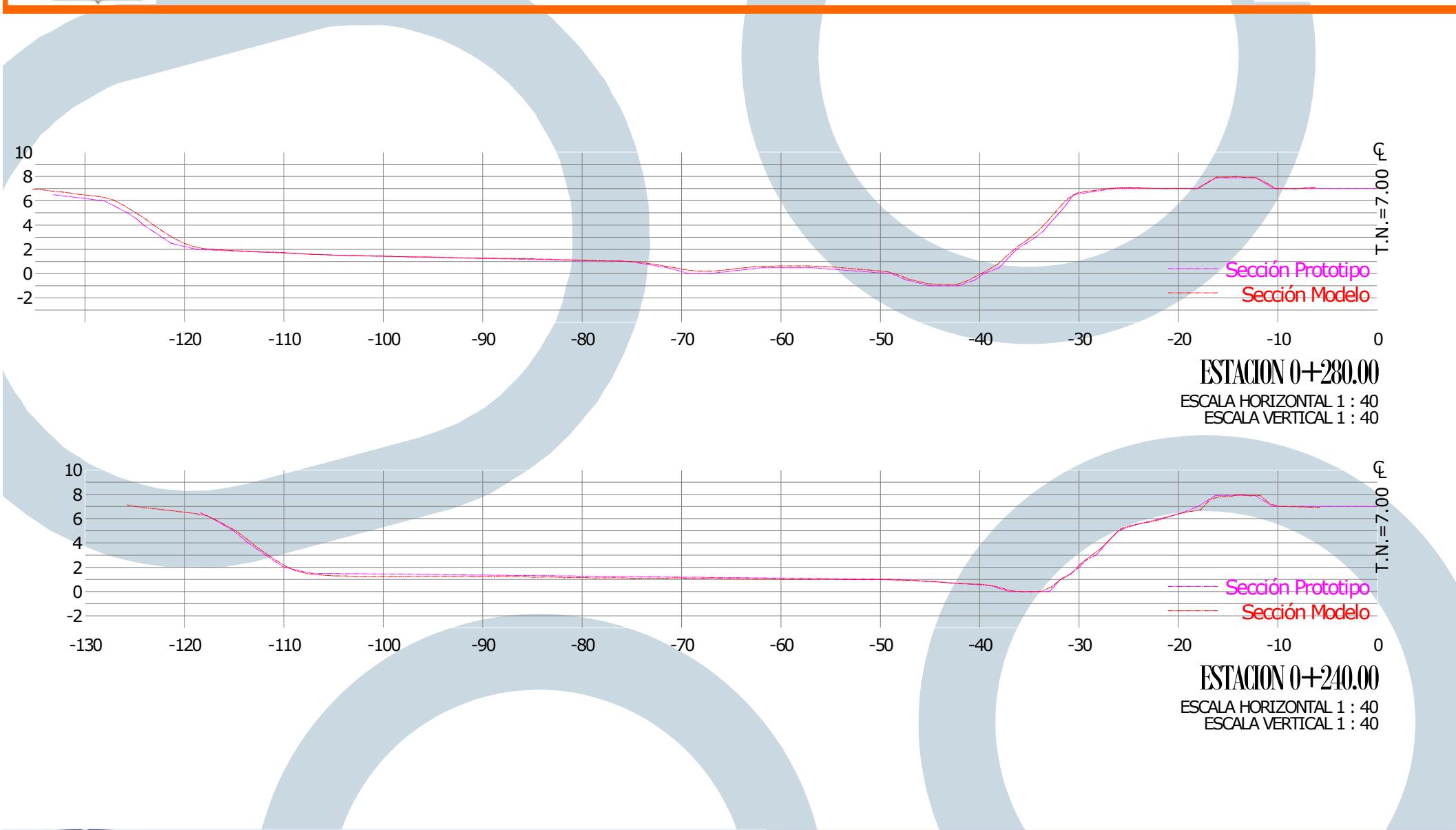


- Bathymetry
- Triangular weirs
- Digital level measurement
- Experimental discharge curve



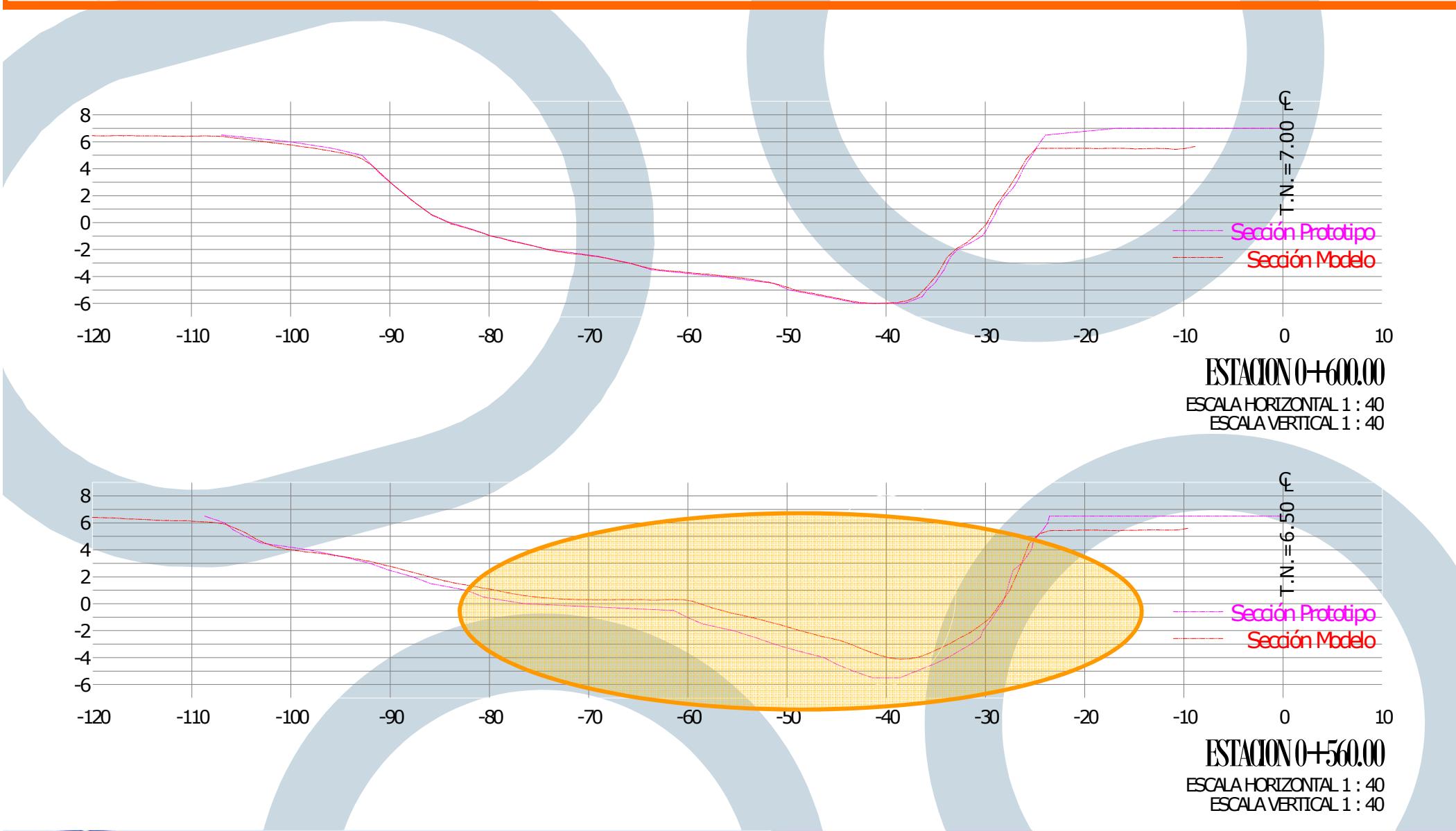


# Bathimetry



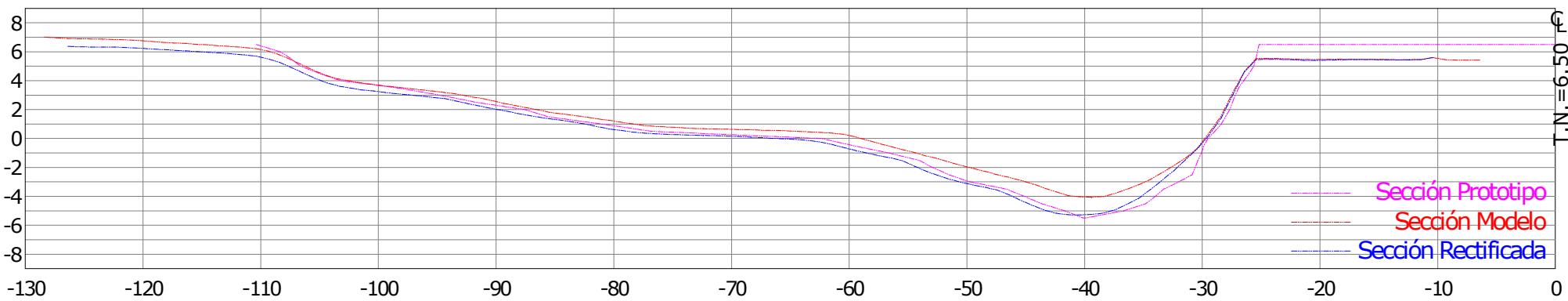
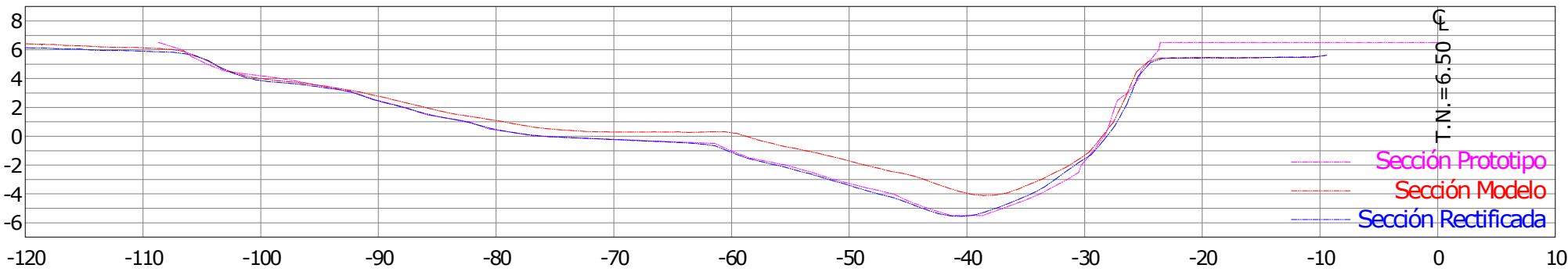


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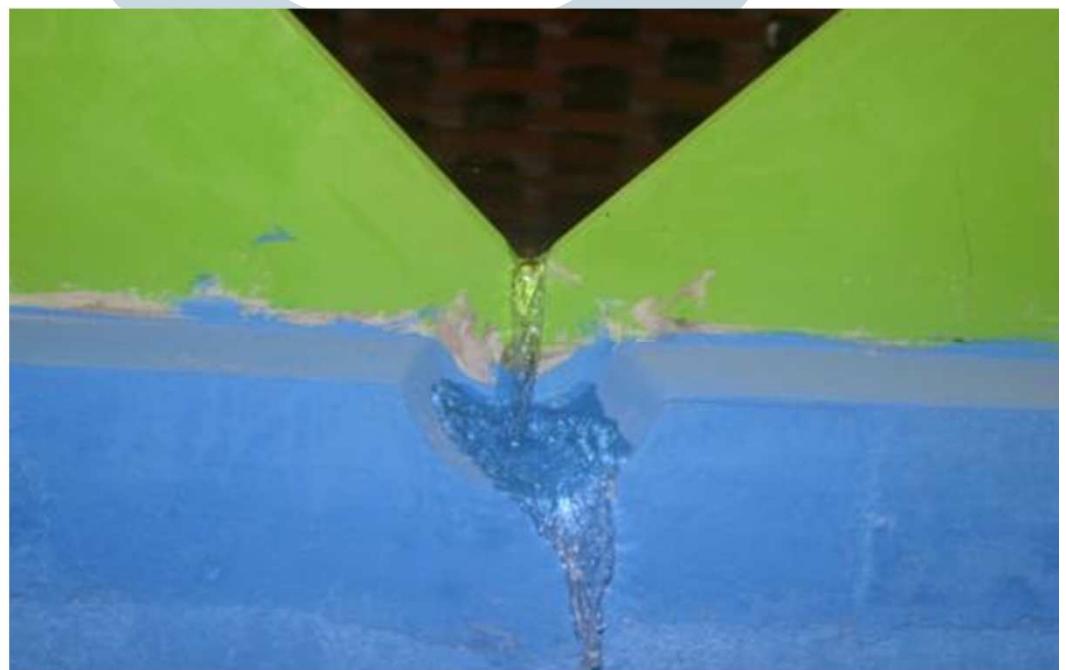
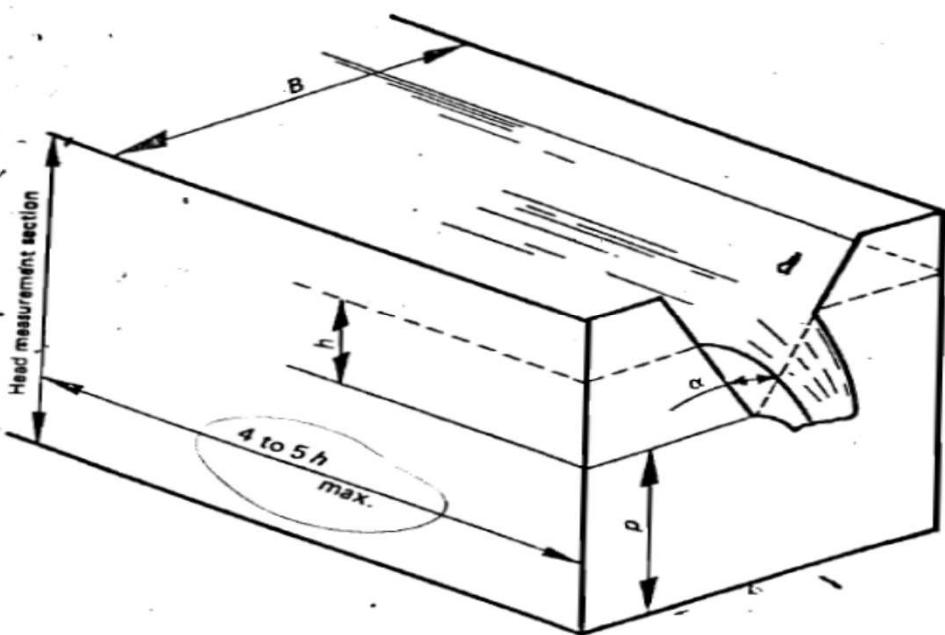


# Bathimetry





# Triangular weirs





# Digital Level Measurements





# TESTS



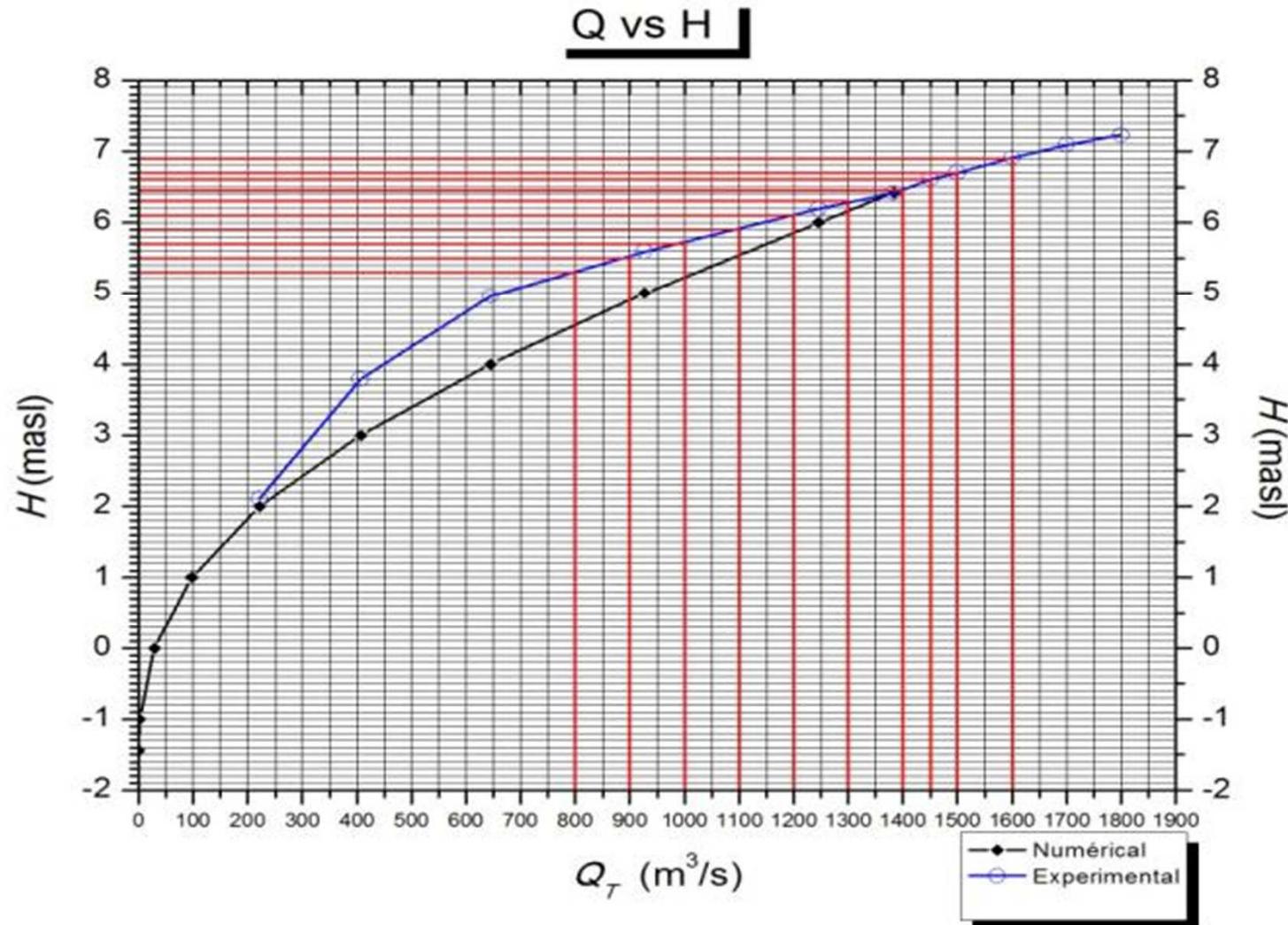


# Experimental design

Test	Conditions	Feature to study
I	Naturals, $Q_D=1800 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$	Verify design discharge, bankfull discharge ( $Q_{bf}$ ) and experimental curve Q - H
II	$Q=Q_{bf}$ , without/groynes, $H_{lag}=6.00 \text{ masl}$	Operation of the derived structure to bankfull discharge
III	$Q=Q_{bf}$ , without/groynes, $H_{lag}=\text{free}$	Operation of the diversion structure to bankfull discharge and lagoon empty
IV	$Q=Q_{bf}$ , without/groynes, $H_{lag}=6.00 \text{ masl}$	Operation of the diversion structure from bankfull discharge to stop deriving
V	$Q=Q_{bf}$ , without/groynes, $H_{lag}=\text{free}$	Operation of the diversion structure from bankfull discharge to stop deriving
VI	$Q=Q_{bf}$ , one groyne, $H_{lag}=6.00 \text{ masl}$	Operation of the derived structure to bankfull discharge with one groyne
VII	$Q=Q_{bf}$ , one groyne, $H_{lag}=\text{free}$	Operation of the derived structure to bankfull discharge with one groyne and lagoon empty
VIII	$Q=Q_{bf}$ , seven groynes, $H_{lag}=6.00 \text{ masl}$	Operation of the derived structure to bankfull discharge with seven groynes
IX	$Q=Q_{bf}$ , seven groynes, $H_{lag}=\text{free}$	Operation of the derived structure to bankfull discharge with seven groynes and lagoon empty



# Experimental discharge curve Q vs H





# Test (Without Groynes)





# Test (With 7 Groynes)





# RESULTS



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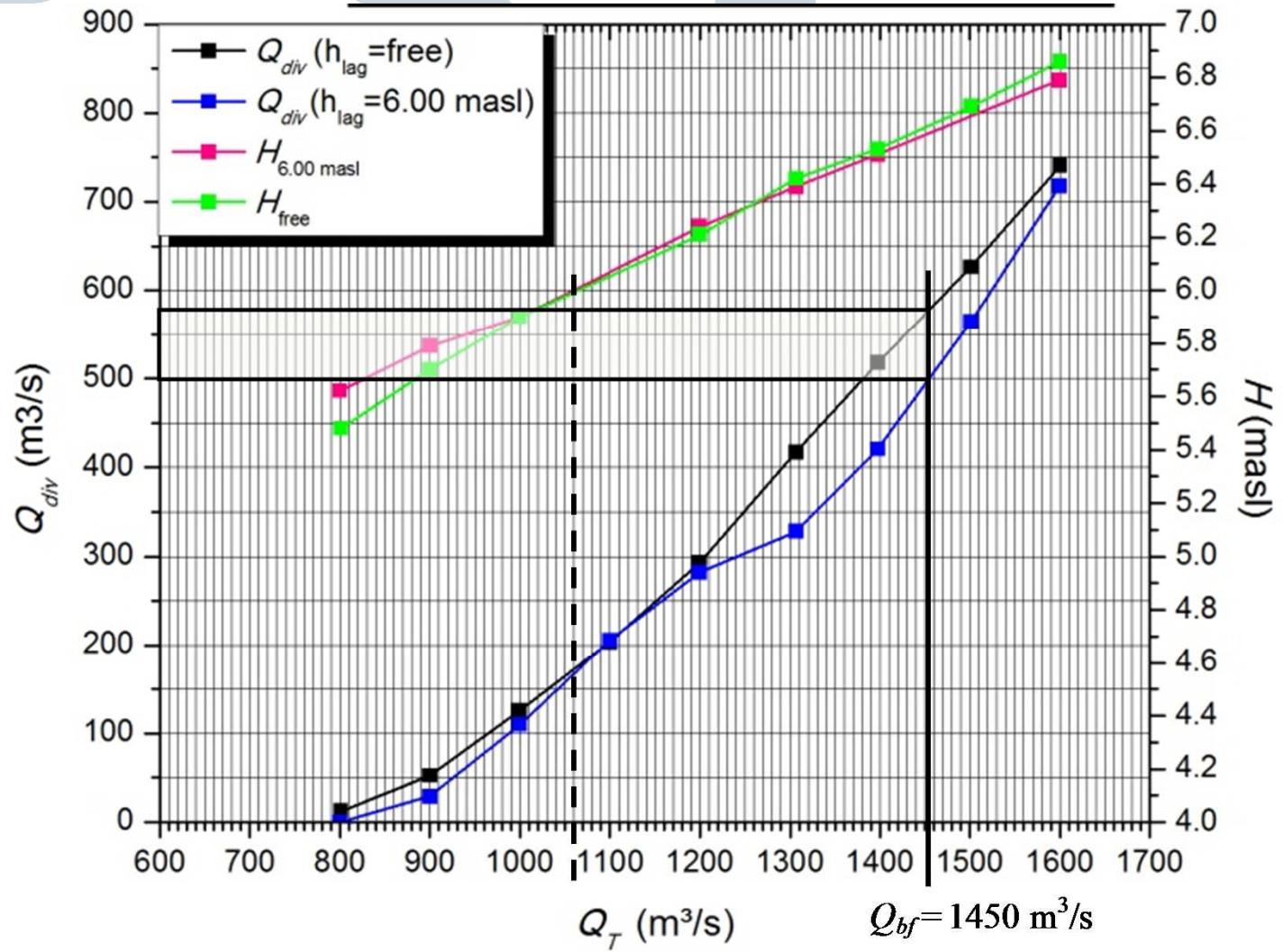
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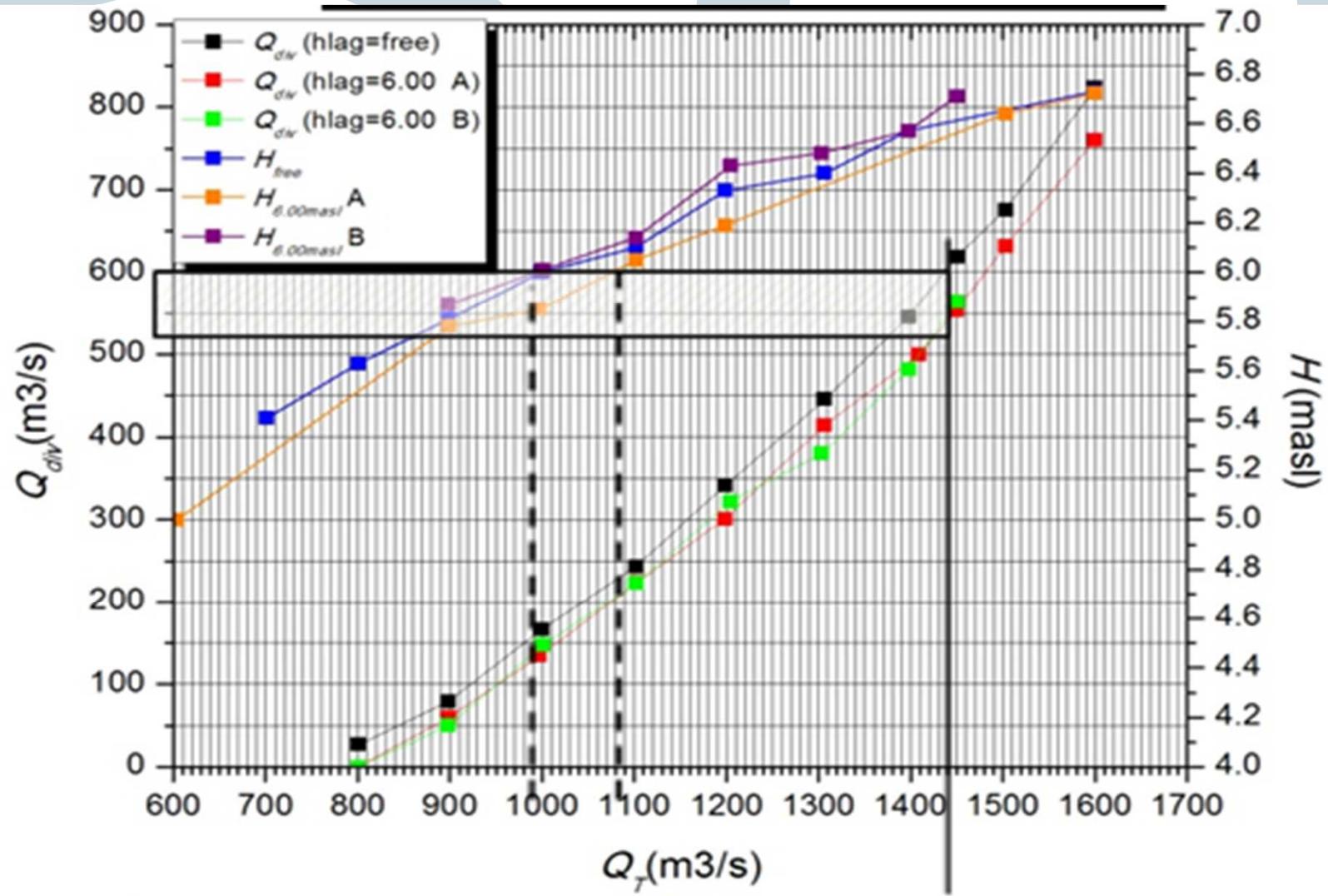


# Operation of the derivation structure without groynes



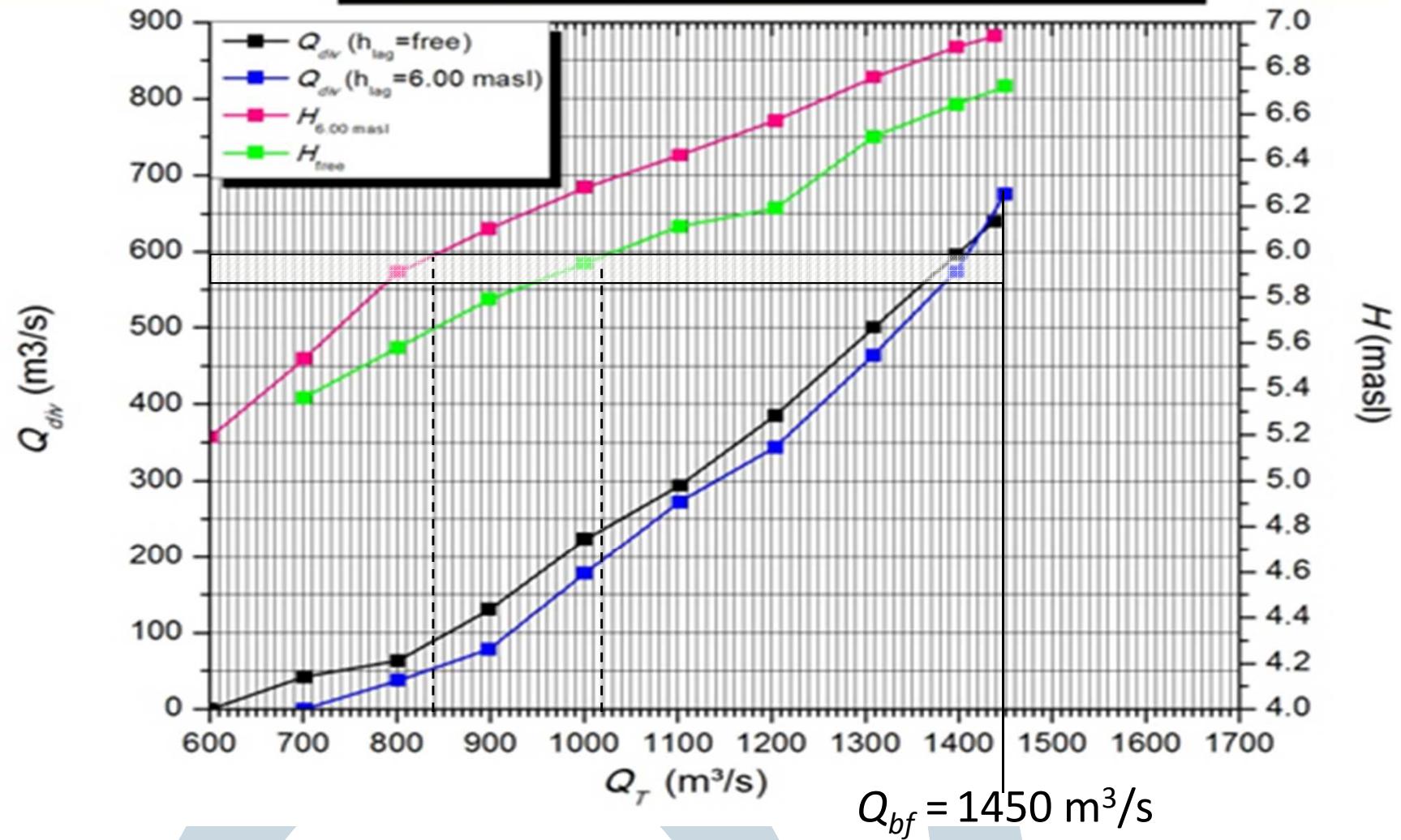


# Operation of the derivation structure with one groyne



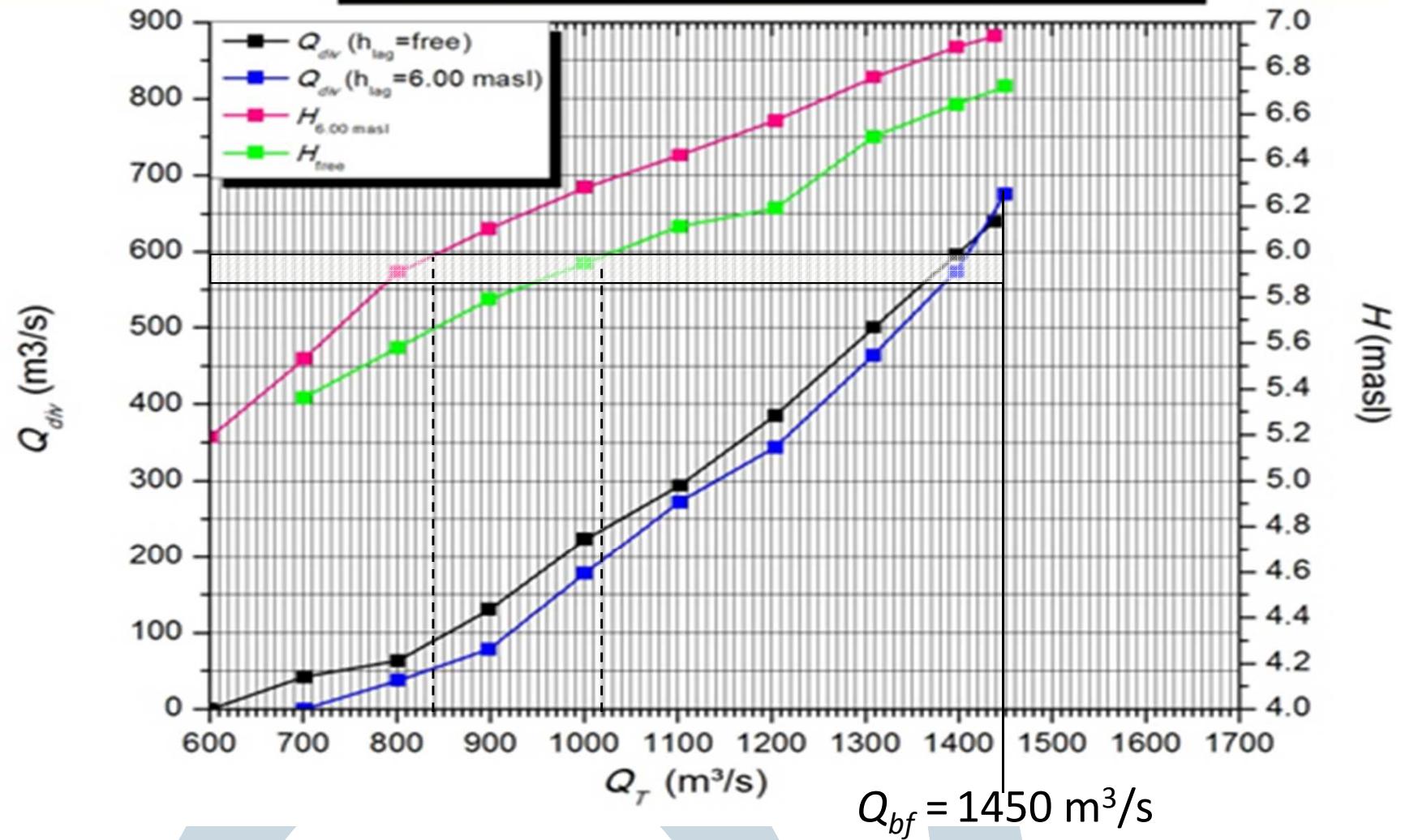


# Operation of the derivation structure with seven groynes



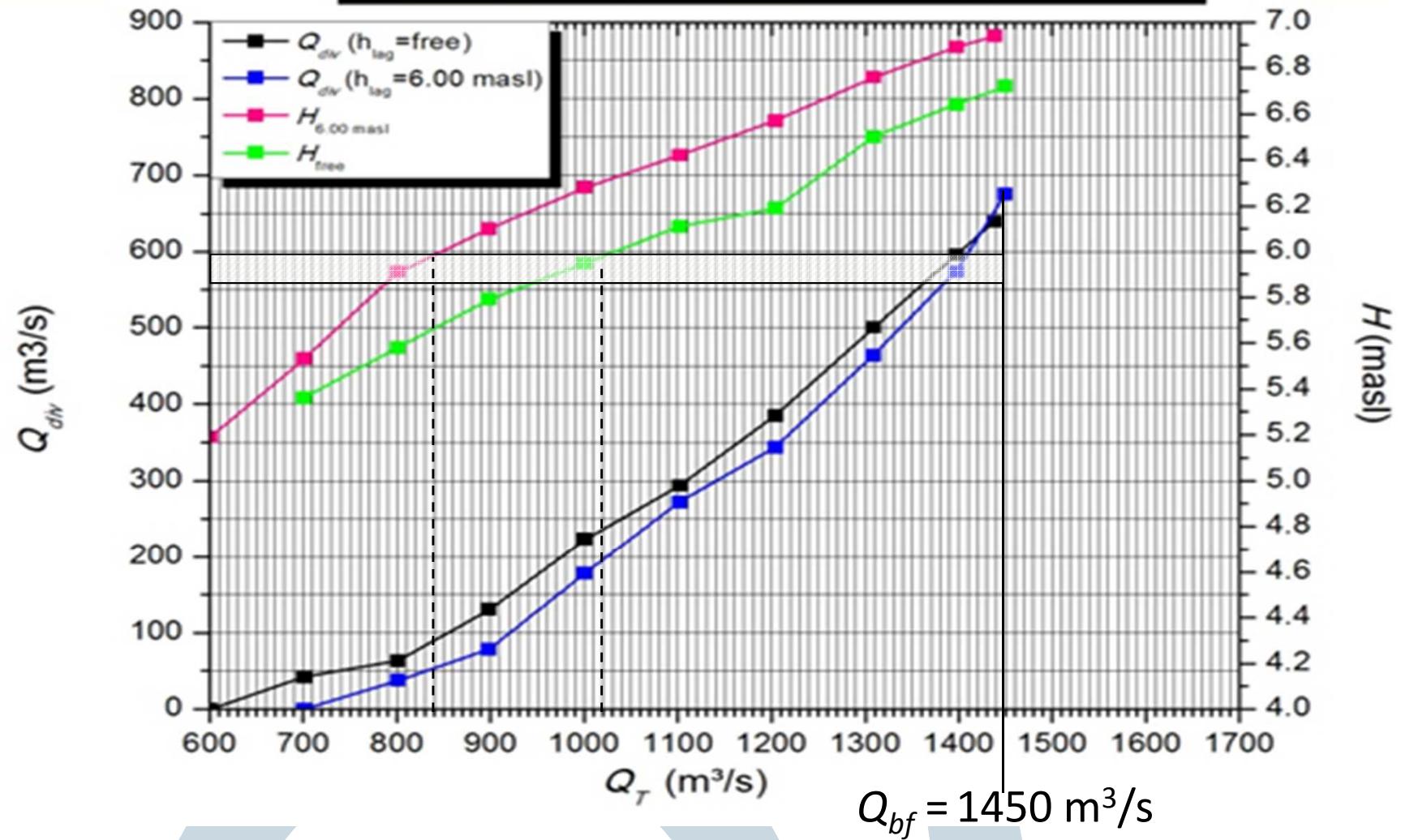


# Operation of the derivation structure with seven groynes





# Operation of the derivation structure with seven groynes





## CONCLUSIONS

The design of the diversion structure proposal considered to control the discharge a  $515 \text{ m}^3 / \text{s}$  by using a lateral weir, for a river design discharge of  $1800 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  and a level of 6.00 masl in the downstream lagoon. However, the experimental study found that the maximum discharge to bankfull (Qbf) that can run without overflowing over the river is  $1450 \text{ m}^3 / \text{s}$ , so it does not reach the  $1800 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ , however, the derived discharge are around of 50% 30% of the total discharge through the river. Moreover, in case of flow rates less than  $1000 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  in the river and with the lagoon filled (6.00 masl), we have the possibility of water comeback from the lake to the river due the level difference, because at this condition the river level has a lower than the lagoon level.

In this paper we showed the goodness of the application of physical models to test the operation of hydraulic works, and were found to be a useful tool for solving engineering problems where numerical models are not sufficiently reliable.



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