
Risk evaluation and management desater

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I. 1. Groundwater pollution : Vulnerability and risk

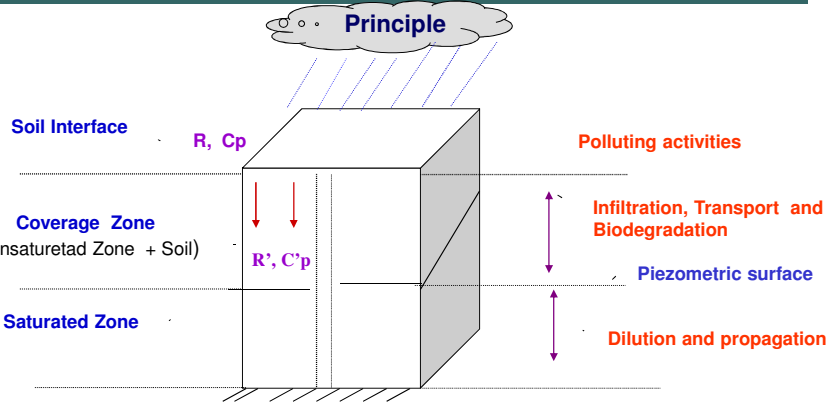


Fig. 1- Diagram of groundwater contamination

Risk ?

Definition:

- **A more or less possible predictable danger; the hazard to incur a harm**
Un danger éventuel plus ou moins prévisible ; le hasard d'encourir un mal (Linguistiquement)
- **A mathematical esperance of possible damage**
Une espérance mathématique de dommage possible (Concept probabiliste des années 50)
- **A probability of damage**
Une probabilité d'un dommage
- **The crossing between vulnerability and unforeseen (probability)**
Le croisement entre vulnérabilité et aléa (Environnement)
- **The interaction between contaminant load and aquifer vulnerability**
L'interaction entre la charge polluante et la vulnérabilité de l'aquifère (Hydrogéologie)

Foster, 1987 ; Brugnot, 1998 ; Arousseau, 1999

Evaluation of the pollution risk

Principle :

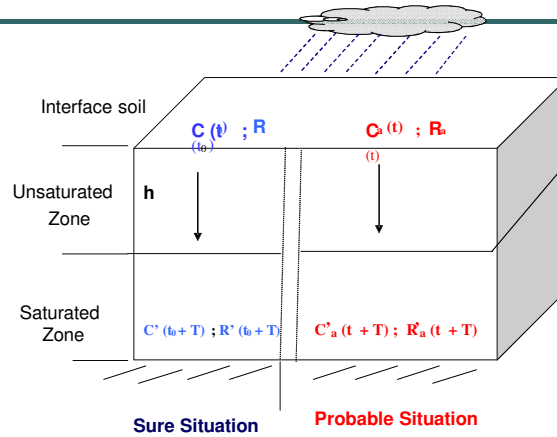


Fig. 2- Diagram of evaluation of groundwater pollution risk

Evaluation of the pollution risk

Sure situation :

$C(t_0)$: Initial concentration

$C'(t_0 + T)$: Concentration in the arrival at the level of the tablecloth

T : Transit time

$$\text{Gravity}(t_0+T) = \alpha * C'(t_0 + T) \quad (1)$$

α : Nature of the pollutant

Remark : Gravity depends on the **nature** and on the **dose** of pollutant in the waters of the aquifer

It is the dose which makes the poison
C'est la dose qui fait le poison (Paracelse, 1493 – 1541)

The concentration in the arrival at the tablecloth $C'(t_0 + T)$ depends of the **initial concentration** $C(t_0)$ and the **power purifier** Md of the coverage zone ;

$$C'(t_0 + T) / C(t_0) = \begin{cases} 1 - Md & \text{if } Md < 1 & \text{case of partial purgation} \\ 0 & \text{if } Md \geq 1 & \text{case of complete purgation} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Gravity } (t_0 + T) = \alpha (1 - Md) C(t_0) \quad \text{if } Md < 1 \quad (2)$$

Remark:

- Gravity $(t_0 + T)$ depend of the initial concentration $C(t_0)$ and caractristics of pollutant and of meduim
- Implicit relation between **gravity** and **vulnerability**

Md : **purifying power** (Reshe, 1977)

Evaluation of the pollution risk

Probable situation (aléatoire) :

$C_p(t)$: **Probable** initial concentration

$C'_p(t + T)$: **Probable** concentration at arrival in the water of aquifer

T : Transit Time (**Certain**)

$$\text{Gravity } p(t + T) = \alpha * C'_p(t + T) \quad (3)$$

$$\text{Gravity } p(t + T) = \alpha (1 - Md) C_p(t) \quad \text{if } Md < 1 \quad (4)$$

Evaluation of the pollution risk

Or in the surface soil the evolution of use and / or rejection of pollutants $C_p(t)$ follows a law of evolution form :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} d C_p(t) / dt = f_a (C_p(t)) \quad \text{for } t > t_0 \\ C_p(t_0) = C(t_0) \end{array} \right.$$

Where f_a is a function aleatoire to be determined (law of aleatoire evolution) Which gives $C_p(t+T)$ and then the probable gravity

$$\text{Gravity } p(t+T) = \alpha (1 - Md) C_p(t) \quad (4)$$

Remark : Probable gravity = Risk

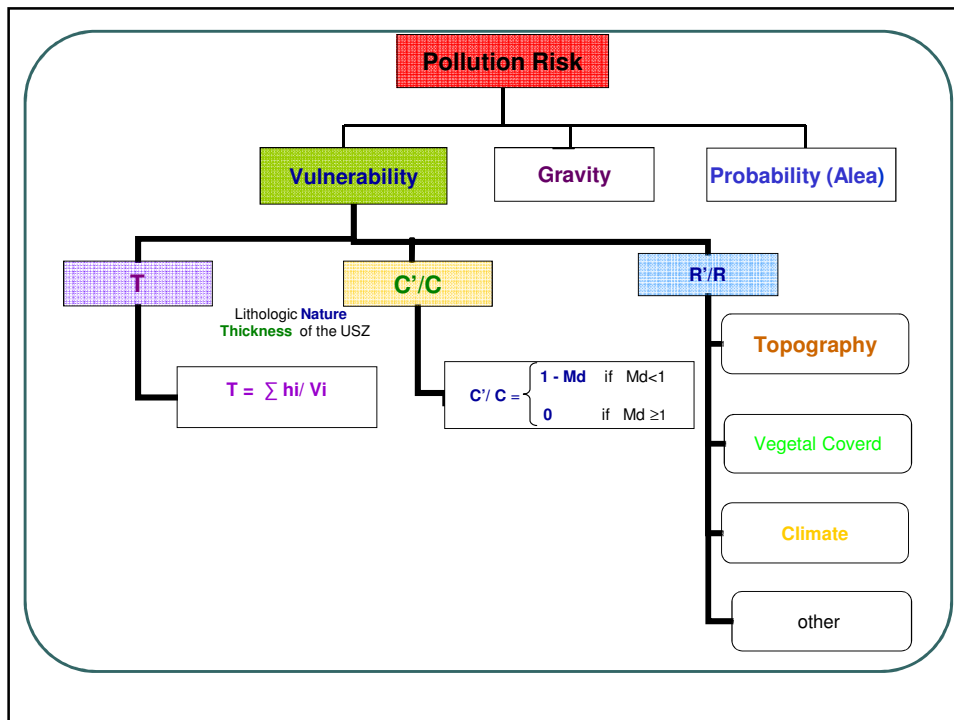
Qualitative / Quantitative approach of the pollution risk

$$\text{Gravity } p(t+T) = \alpha (1 - Md) C_p(t) \quad \text{if } Md < 1 \quad (4)$$

Risk = f (Gravity, Vulnerability, Probability)

- **Gravity** : depends on the nature and dose of pollutants
- **Vulnerability** : depends on the considered medium
- **Probability** : law of evolution of pollutants in the surface soil (evolution of use and /or rejections of pollutant)

The qualitative evaluation of the pollution risk requires the estimation of these three parameters



Vulnerability : TCR approach

Principle : A zone is **vulnerable** if the polluting product reshed the groundwater at a **short time** and with a **high concentration**.

Vulnerability index $Iv = f(T, C, R)$

Vulnerability index :

$$Iv = \alpha 1/T + \beta C'p/Cp + \gamma R'/R$$

α , β and γ are coefficients (ponderateurs).

Remark : The choose of α , β et γ : **sensibility tests**

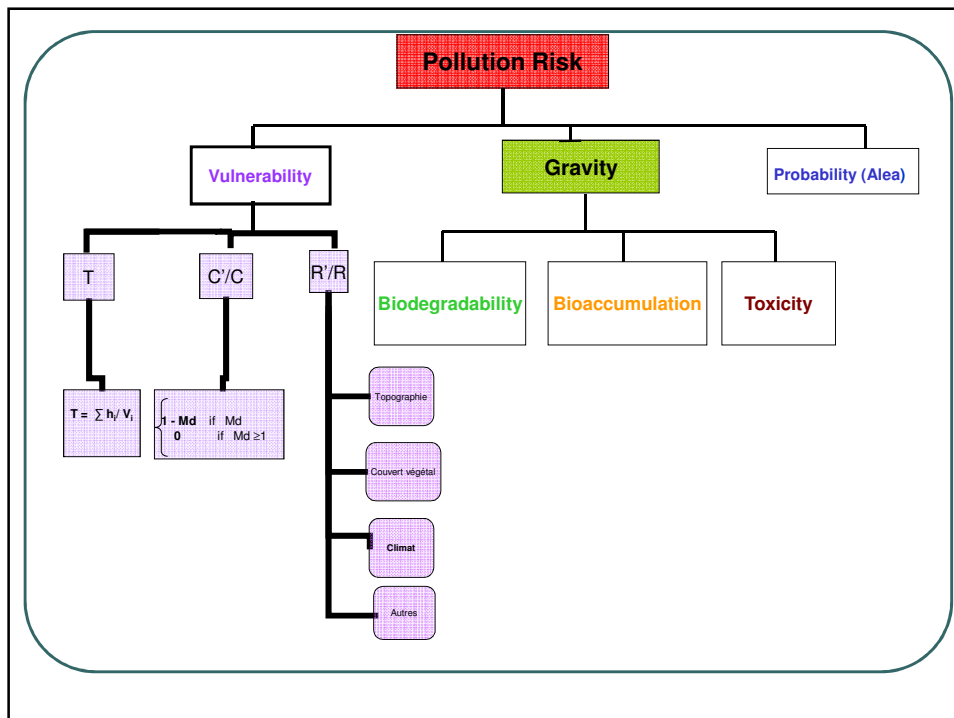
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Fig. 2. Schéma d'évaluation du risque de pollution des eaux souterraines

Evaluation of vulnerability

- $1/T = V/h$ where V the filtration speed and h thickness of the coverage zone
- $C'(t_0 + T) / C(t_0) = \begin{cases} 1 - Md & \text{if } Md < 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } Md \geq 1 \end{cases}$
- R'/R : water balance sheet (bilan hydrique)

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Gravity

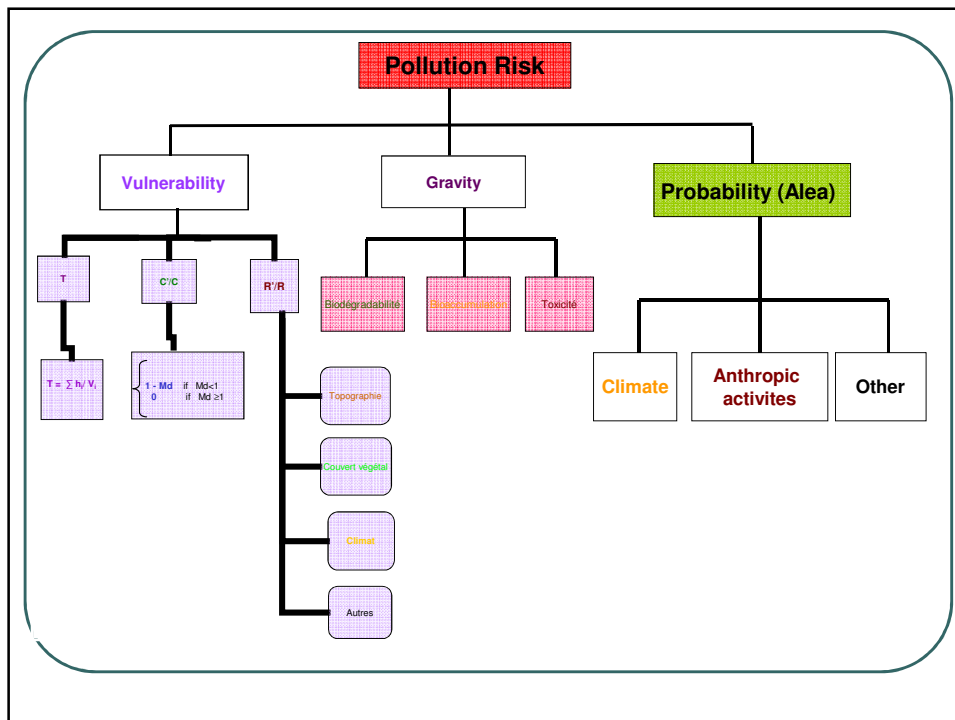
Gravity of a pollutant can be characterized : Biodegradability, bioaccumulation and toxicity

Gravity of a situation depends on the **nature** of pollutant and on the **concentration (C'p)** with polluting water arrives in tablecloth

$$\text{Gravity} = \alpha * C'(T)$$

$\alpha = 1/S_n$: **Proper gravity** of each pollutant

It's deducted from **Standards norm (S_n)** (potable water-quality Guidelines) defined by WHO (Worldwide Organization of Health), or from **law water** for considered country

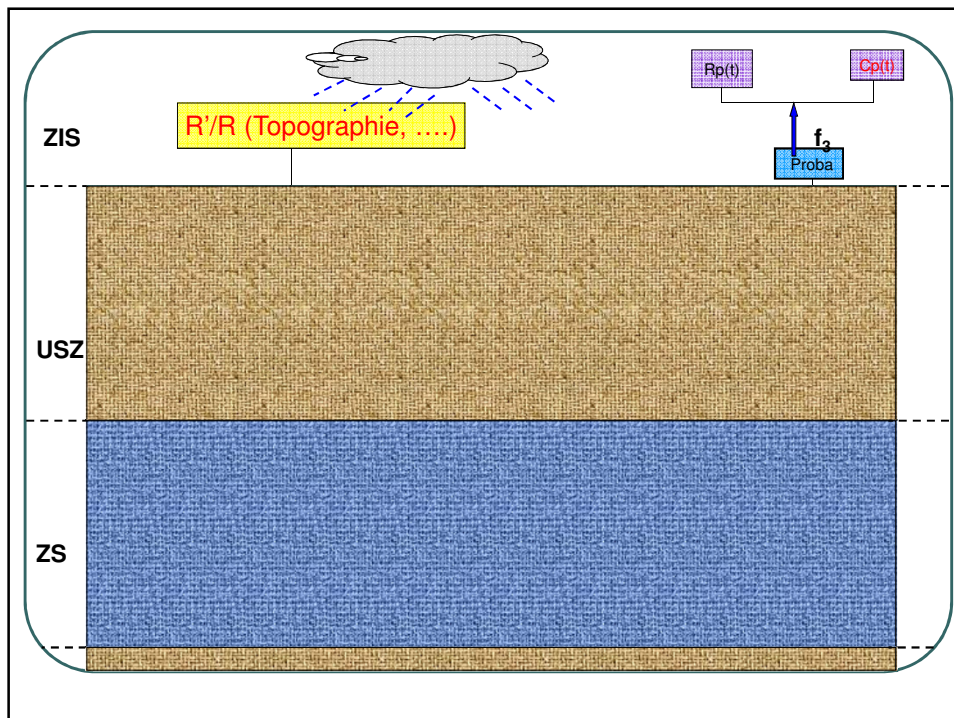


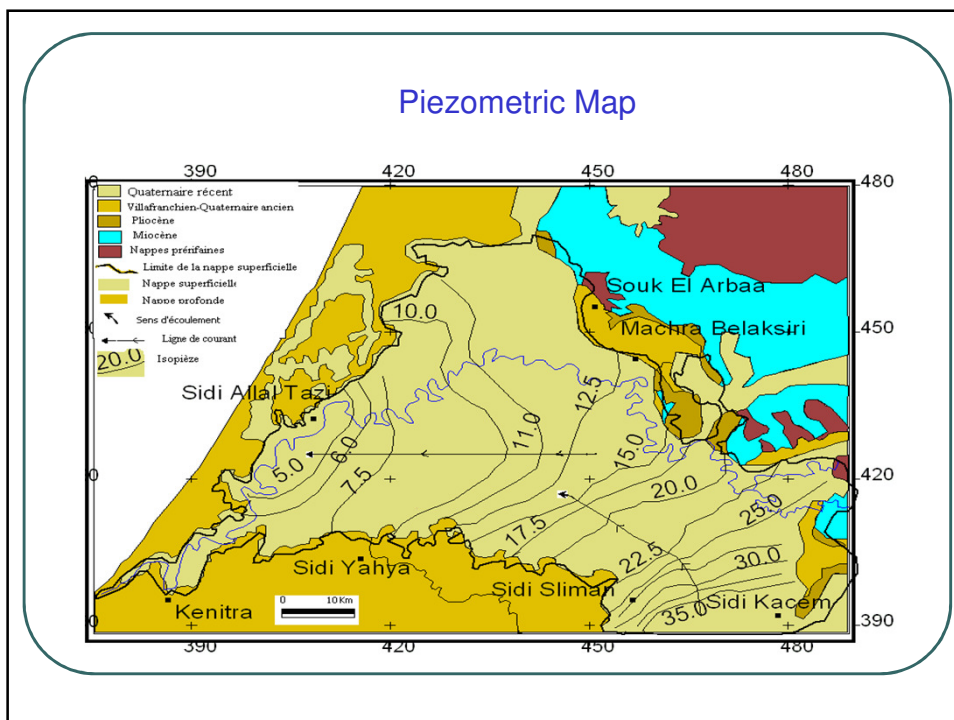
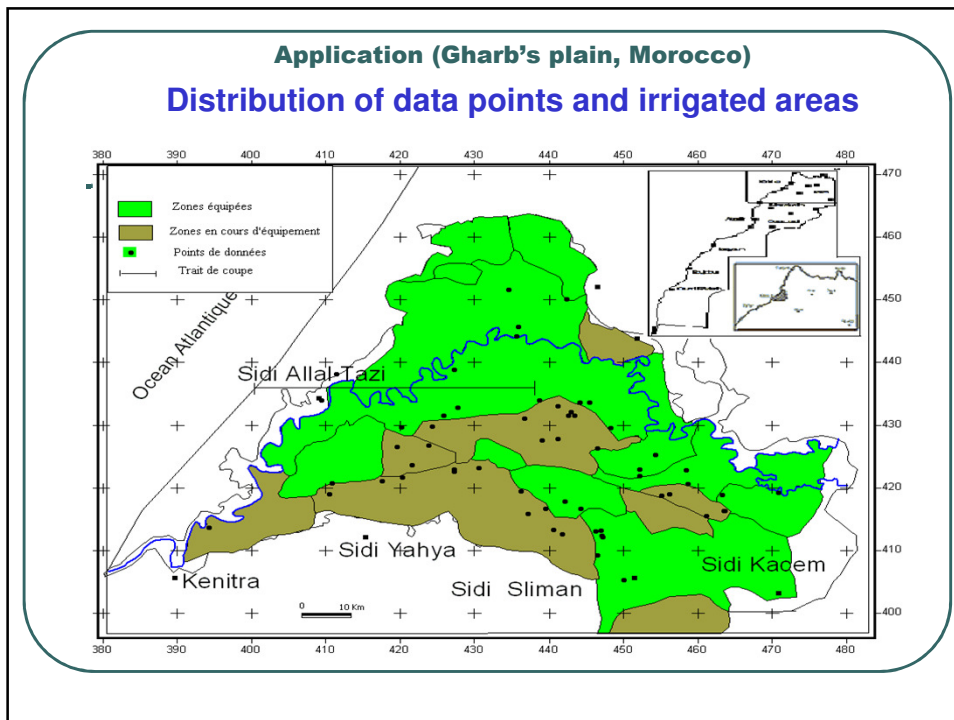
Probability (Alea)

Probability (groundwater pollution):

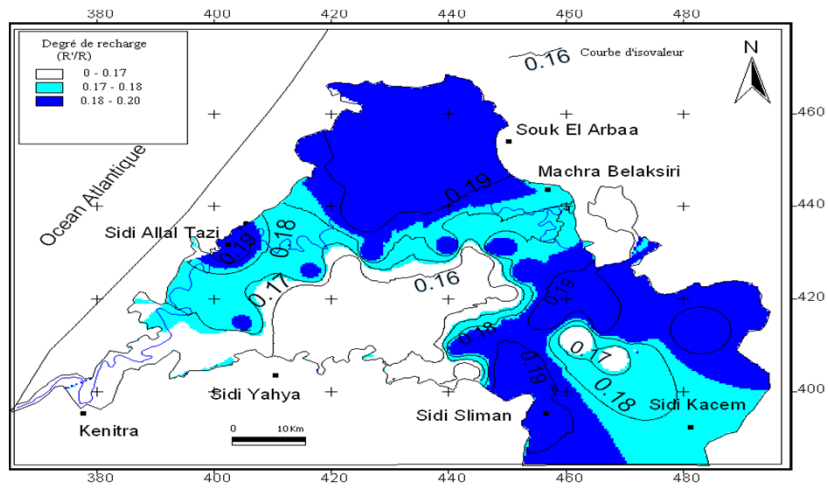
1- Evolution of use or rejected of pollutant (law of evolution for probable concentration $C_p(t)$?)

2- Variation of probable recharge $R_p(t)$ (law of evolution of irrigation and of infiltration de la pluie efficace : **Climatic change ?**)

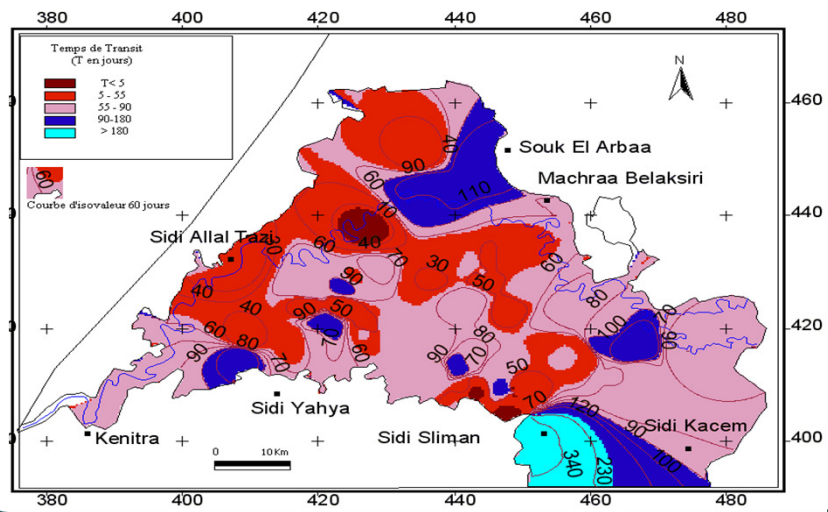


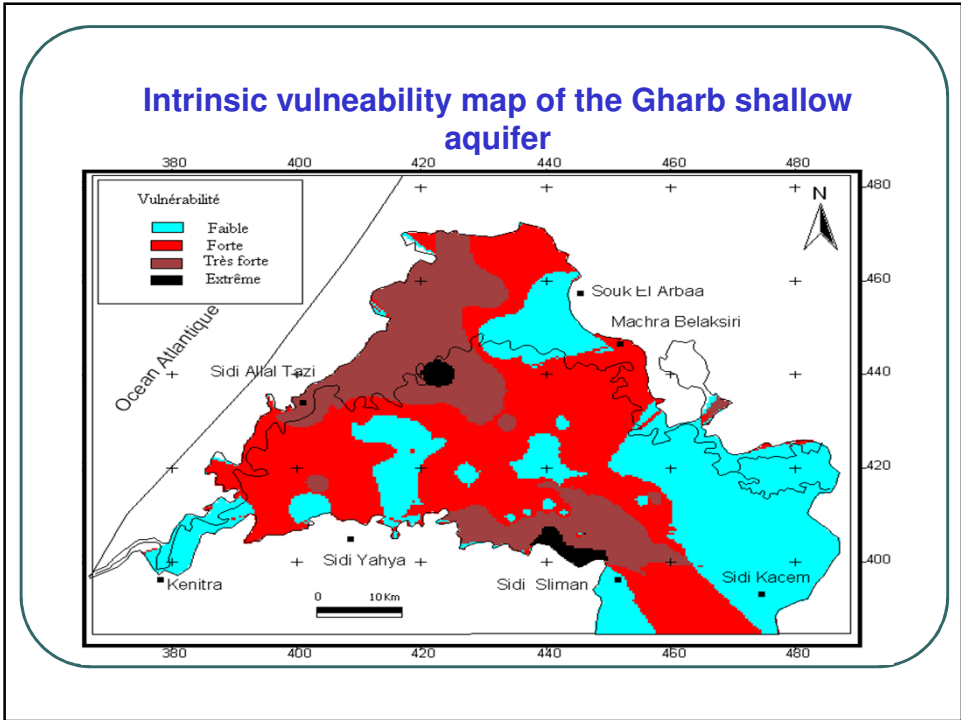
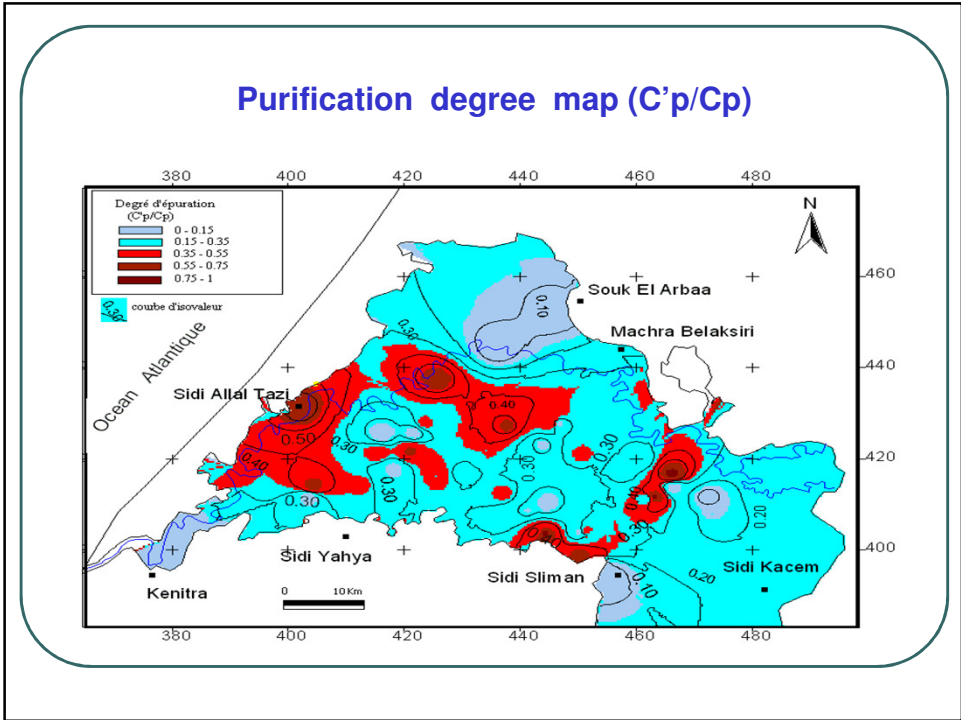


Degree of recharge map (R'/R) (Topography, Soil nature and occupation, ...)

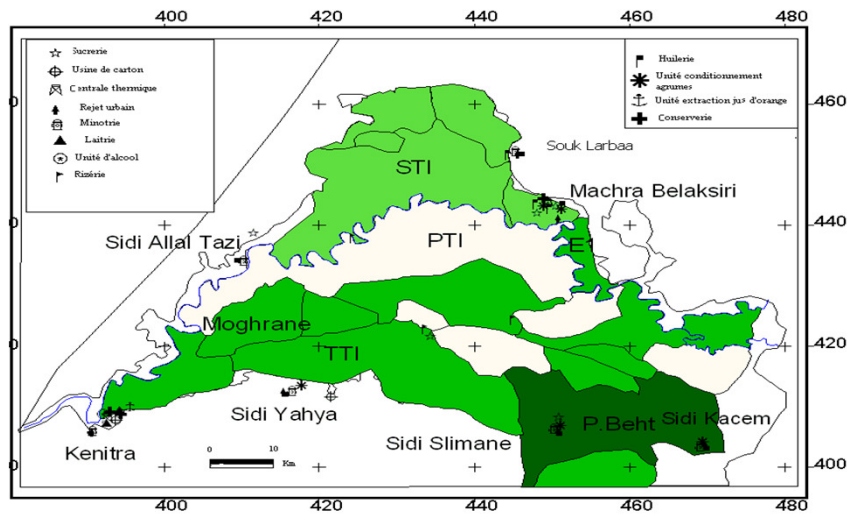


Transit Time map

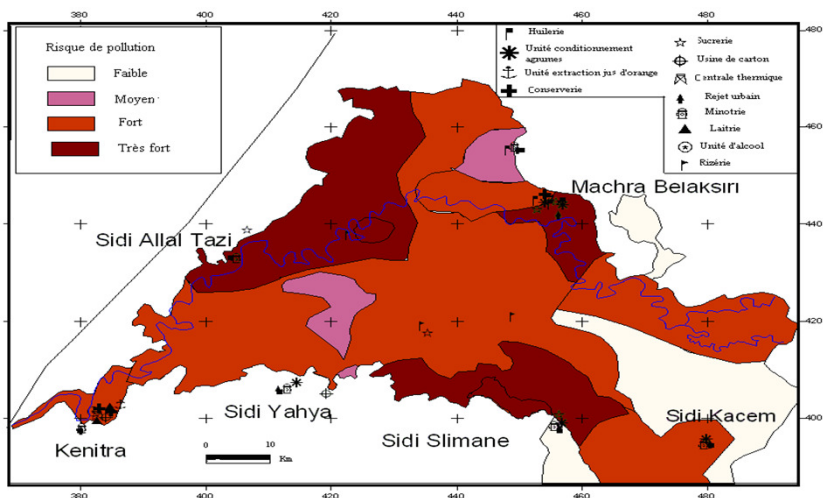




Potentiel sources of pollution in the Gharb plain



Pollution risk map of the Gharb shallow aquifer



Flood Risk

Risk = f (Gravity, Vulnerability, Probability)

- **Gravity** : depends on the **nature and the intensity of flood damage**
- **Vulnerability** : depends on the considered **medium and topography**
- **Probability** : **law of evolution** of precipitation
(climatic change)

Other risk

- 1. Risk : error of modelisation;
- 2. Risk : error of measures

Applications (pollution ; flood) :

Topography: R'/R (pollution), Speed flow
(Flood)

Risk due to error on estimation measures / Model

- Small error on the estimation of topography parameter Big error on the final results (Nonlinearity of the system).
- Risk must take into account such errors.

Conclusion/ Recommendation

Ideal management risk is with some **risk !!!**) : **Pluridisciplinarity**

- I) 1. Try to prevent the ununprevisible (natural and techniques);
2. Consider many scenarios for a same situation (**evolutive**) : Non linear systems; chaotics.
- II) 1. For known (or predictable) situations : Low (perimeters of protection (pollution)..., Autorisation of built (flood).
2. Unprevisible situation : encouraged scientific research!

Prendre la responsabilité de gérer les risques... est très risqué... Mais il faut bien prendre le risque de le faire car si on ne fait rien... on est certain...qu'on va tout perdre un jour ou un autre !

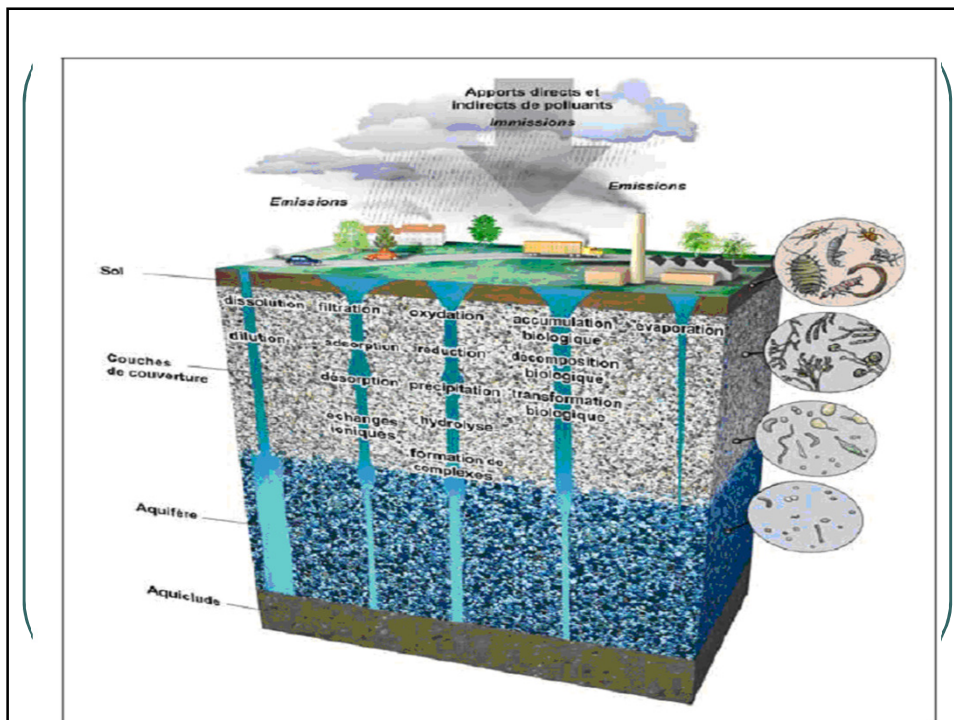
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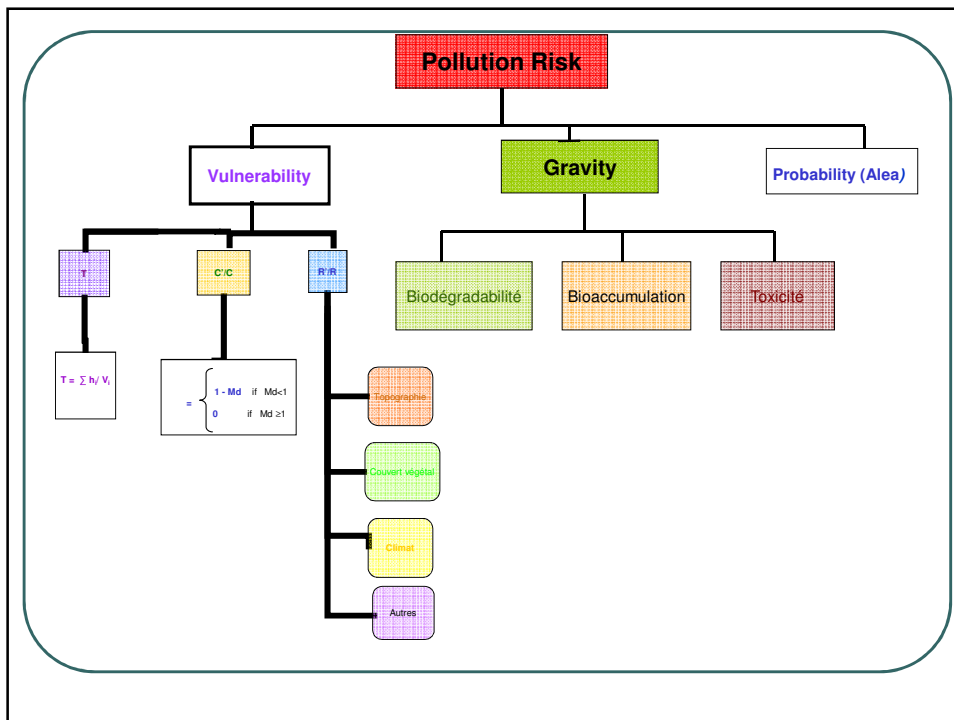
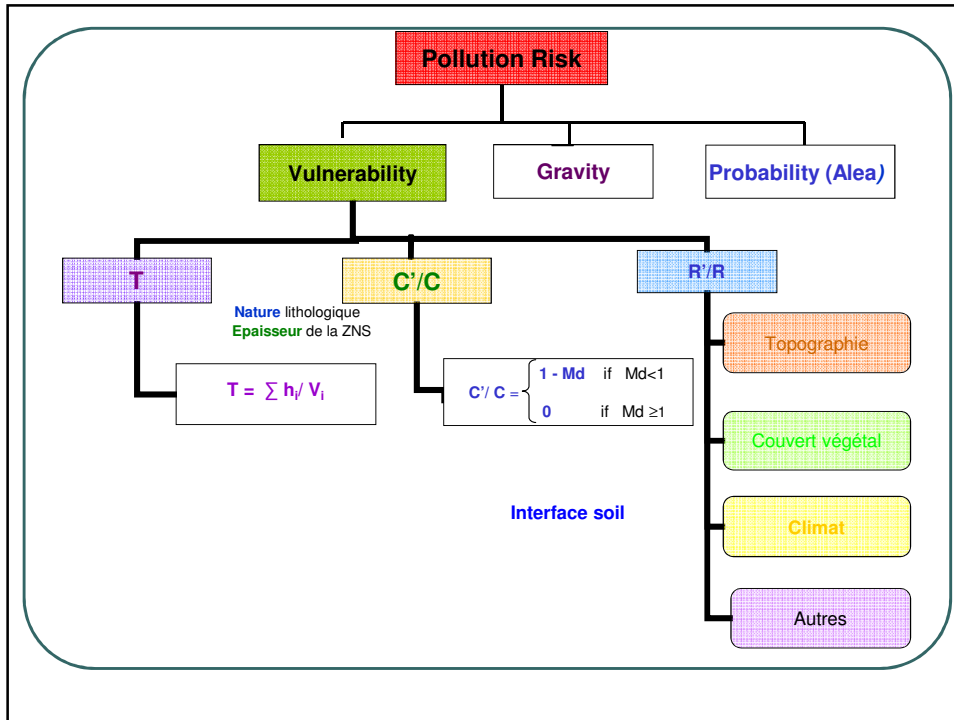
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Qualitative evaluation of the gravity

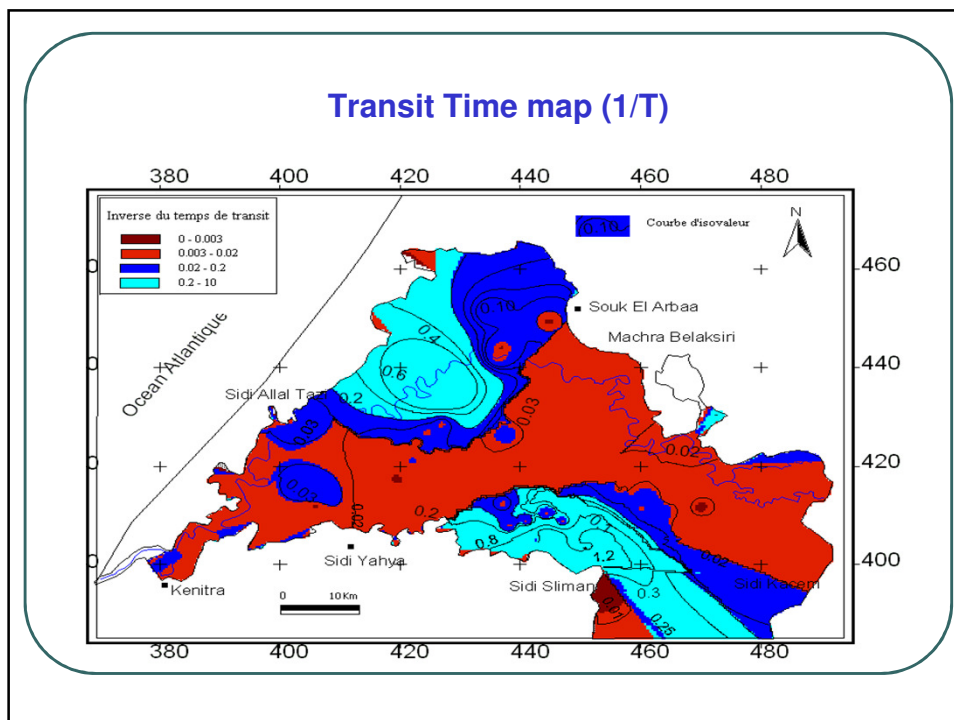
Situation	1	2	3	4
Toxicity (CL50 en mg/l)	not very toxic CL50>100	moyennement toxin 10 < CL50< 100	toxin 1<CL50<10	very toxic CL50 <1
Bioaccumulation Facteur of accumulation	not much (très peu) F.ac < 5. 10 ²	not much (peu) 5. 10 ² < F.ac < 10 ³	medium 10 ³ < F.ac < 10 ⁴	high F. ac >10 ⁴
Biodegradation	very easy > 80 %	easy de 60 à 80 %	medium de 40 à 60 %	weak < 20 %
Gravity	weak	medium	strong	very strong

Tab 1. Parameters characterising the gravity of a pollutant

Gravity / vulnerability

Vulnerability \ Gravity	Weak	Medium	Strong	Very strong
Weak	weak	weak	medium	medium
Medium	weak	medium	strong	strong
Strong	medium	strong	very strong	very strong
Very strong	strong	strong	very strong	very strong

Tab 2. Coupling effect of the gravity and vulnerability



Qualitative approach of the risk: Risk = f(Probability, Vulnerability, Gravity)

Probability \ Gravity/Vulnerability	Very weak	Weak	Strong	Very strong
Weak	weak	weak	medium	medium
Medium	weak	medium	strong	very strong
Strong	medium	strong	very strong	very strong
Very strong	medium	strong	very strong	very strong

Tab 3. Qualitative estimation of risk

