

# Networked Hydrographical Systems: A Reactive Control Strategy Integrating Time Transfer Delays

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**Abstract:** A reactive control strategy integrating time transfer delays is proposed to improve the water-asset management of networked hydrographical systems. The considered systems are characterized by large scale networks where each difffluence is equipped with a control gate and a measurement point. Modelling methods of the networked hydrographical systems with equipped difffluences are presented. The proposed strategy, based on a supervision and hybrid control accommodation approach, requires generic resource allocation and setpoint assignment rules. The simulation results show the effectiveness of the reactive control strategy.

**Keywords:** supervision, hybrid control accommodation, resource allocation, setpoint assignment, gridded systems, water management.

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## 1. Introduction

Hydrographical system is a geographically distributed network composed of dams and interconnected rivers and channels. It is characterized by great dimensions and composed of confluences and difffluences. In real case, each difffluence is very often equipped with a control gate and a measurement point. The flow discharges are greatly disturbed by the human activities and weather conditions. An interesting problem to address, deals with the allocation of water quantities in excess toward the catchment's areas and of water quantities in lack amongst the users. The representations of networked hydrographical systems with equipped difffluences, as well as the determination of the discharge allocation on the network, are an essential step for the design of reactive control strategy. In [18], a hydrographical network representation considering only the difffluences is proposed. Indexed nodes represent the points of difffluence, and directed arcs, whose indexes represent the number of the node downstream, represent the hydrographical systems that connect two nodes. This model was modified and extended to the case of the confluences in [13]. In these approaches, the control and measurement instrumentations are not taken into account. In [4, 15], object-oriented modelling techniques and a XML approach make it possible to represent the elements of the hydrographical networks and of the drinking water distribution networks. Finally, modelling approaches are proposed for the optimal water management of the irrigation networks in [17], of the drinking water distribution networks, and of sewerage networks in [3]. For these four last approaches, the representation of the control and measurement instrumentations allows integrating computation rules of the

discharge propagation upstream to downstream, but these rules are not adapted with the water-asset management optimization goal.

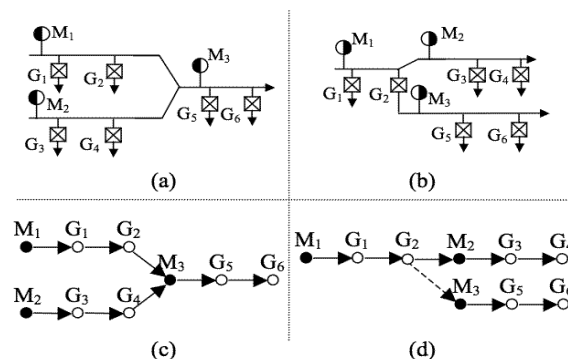
Optimization techniques were proposed in the literature for the water-asset management. The approach proposed in [10] allows the adjustment of the criteria and the constraints of an optimization problem starting from the supervision of the network variables. However, the complexity of the hydrographical networks and the number of the instrumented points to be taken into account in the optimization problem require the use of decomposition and coordination techniques of the studied systems as proposed in [17]. These techniques are used for the optimal water management of irrigation systems. In addition, a supervision and hybrid control accommodation strategy is proposed in [9] for the water-asset management of the Neste canal located in the south western region of France. This strategy is successfully adapted for the case of dam-river networks that are characterized by non-equipped diffluences [7]. Finally, to take into account majority of the networked hydrographical systems, the supervision and hybrid control accommodation strategy has to be adapted for the case of diffluences equipped with a control gate and a measurement point.

In this paper, the water asset-management by resource allocation and setpoint assignment is considered. Hydrographical systems with confluences and equipped diffluences and their representation by a weighted digraph are presented in section 2. In section 3, the reactive control strategy is defined for the water-asset management of these systems. Finally, the effectiveness of the proposed strategy is shown by simulation within the framework of a networked hydrographical system that is part of a real network. This system is composed of two diffluences and one confluence, and supplies with water downstream dams.

## 2. Modelling Steps of Networked Hydrographical Systems with Equipped Diffluences

Networked hydrographical systems are composed of dams and interconnected rivers and channels. The river and channels are constituted of a finite number of *Simple Hydrographical Systems (HYS)*, *i.e.* composed of one stream. A representation is proposed to be able to highlight the links between the rivers, the channels and the dams, and to locate the instrumentation, *i.e.* the measurement points and controlled gates (*see* Figure 1.a and b). Each hydrographical system is equipped with several measurement points  $M_i$  and controlled gates  $G_j$ , with  $i \in [1, m]$  and  $j \in [1, n]$ , where  $m$  and  $n$  are respectively the total number of measurement points and actuators. It is assumed that each diffluence is equipped with at least a control gate and a measurement point. To determine the way to distribute a water quantity measured in a place of the hydrographical network, onto the whole system downstream, the networked system is represented by a digraph of instrumented points (*see* Figure 1.c and d).

**Step 1. A digraph of instrumented points** is proposed to describe the structure of the networked system by distinguishing the confluence (*see* Figure 1.a and c) and the diffluence (*see* Figure 1.b and d). The digraph consists of a succession of two types of nodes  $M_i$  and  $G_j$ , represented respectively by full circle and circle and their associated graphs, and two types of arcs  $L_S^{d,c}$  and  $L_D^{d,c}$  represented respectively by solid and dashed line, which show the links between the successive nodes  $d$  and  $c$  and the direction of the flow (*see* Figure 1.c and d). The attribute of the arc  $L$  is  $D$  in the case of a diffluence, and  $S$  otherwise.



**Figure 1.** (a) A confluence, (c) its associated weighted digraph, (b) a diffluence, (d) its associated weighted digraph.

Thereafter, in order to represent the possible influence of measurement points, the matrix  $\mathbf{R}$  composed of  $m$  lines (measurement points) and of  $n$  columns (actuators), is generated. The digraph is browsed for each measurement point  $M_i$  following the algorithm given in Table I. The proposed algorithm, a classical depth-first search like algorithm [6], has not been optimized in term of numerical complexity. The algorithm is only used during the design steps of the reactive control strategy and thus numerical complexity is not a challenge. The value of  $R(i, j)$  is equal to 1 if there is a direct path between the measurement point  $M_i$  and the gate  $G_j$ , and 0 otherwise. A direct path from  $M_i$  to  $G_j$ , is a path where no arc  $L_o$  can be met between  $M_i$  and  $G_j$ .

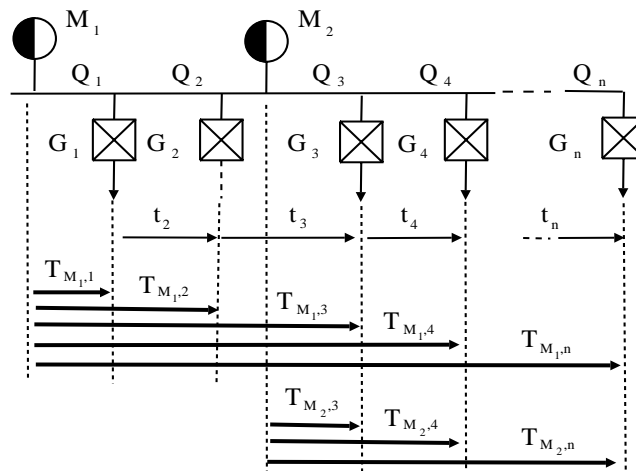
**TABLE I.** Assignment function of  $\mathbf{R}$  matrix.

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Input: digraph.
Output: proportion matrix  $\mathbf{R}$ .
Initialisation of  $\mathbf{R}$  to 0
For each node  $h$ 
  If  $h$  is a measurement point
    Run ( $h, h, \mathbf{R}$ )
  EndIf
EndFor

Run ( $h, c, \mathbf{R}$ ),
For each successor  $d$  of  $c$ 
  If  $L^{c,d}$  is  $L_S$ 
    Run ( $h, d, \mathbf{R}$ )
  EndIf
  If  $d$  is a gate
     $R(h, d) \leftarrow 1$ 
  EndIf
EndFor

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**Figure 2.** Time delays between measurement points and gates.

**Step 2.** The value of the transfer time delay  $T_{M_i, j}$  between the measurement point  $M_i$  and the gate  $G_j$  are computed only if a direct path exists between  $M_i$  and  $G_j$ , i.e.  $R(i, j) = 1$ . Open-Channel Reach Section (OCRS) is a part of HYS defined between a measurement point and a gate, between a gate and a measurement point, or between two gates. The transfer delay  $T_{M_i, j}$  between the measurement point  $M_i$  and the gate  $G_j$  (see Figure 2) can be calculated by the relation:

$$T_{M_i, j} = T_{M_i, n_i} + \delta_{R(i, j)}^1 \sum_{g=n_i+1}^j t_g, \quad (1)$$

with  $n_i + 1 \leq j \leq n$ , where  $n_i$  is the index of the first gate downstream the measurement point  $M_i$ ,  $n$  the total number of gates, and  $\delta_a^b$  is the Kronecker index, equal to 1 when  $a = b$ , and equal to 0 otherwise. The trans-

fer delay  $t_g$  associated to each OCRS is computed from the OCRS dynamics model described thereafter.

Usually, Saint Venant equations are used for the modelling of open channel dynamics. The analytic resolution of these two-coupled partial differential equations [5] is not possible. As discussed in [14, 1] discretisation methods can be used to find a solution. Otherwise, a modelling method detailed in [16] based on the simplification and linearization of Saint Venant equations can be used. This method is based on the identification for each OCRS of a transfer function plus transfer delay (2) for a reference discharge  $Q_e$  [8], according to the OCRS geometrical characteristics.

$$F(s) = \frac{e^{-\tau s}}{1 + w_1 s + w_2 s^2}, \quad (2)$$

where the coefficients  $w_1$ ,  $w_2$  and the pure delay  $\tau$  are computed according to the identified celerity and diffusion parameters  $C_e$  and  $D_e$ , and to the adimensional coefficient  $C_L$  which is defined by:

$$C_L = \frac{2C_e X}{9D_e}, \quad (3)$$

where  $X$  is the OCRS length,  $C_e$  and  $D_e$  are expressed as:

$$\begin{cases} C_e = \frac{1}{L^2} \frac{\partial J}{\partial Q_e} \left[ \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial y} \right] \\ D_e = \frac{1}{L} \frac{\partial J}{\partial Q_e} \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

where  $L$  is the surface width,  $y$  the discharge depth,  $J$  the friction slope expressed with the Manning-Strickler relation as  $J = \frac{Q_e^2 P^{\frac{4}{3}}}{K^2 S^{\frac{10}{3}}}$ , where  $K$  is the Strickler coefficient,  $P$  the wetted perimeter and  $S$  the wetted surface.

As displayed in Table II, the order of the transfer function depends on the  $C_L$  value. When  $C_L \leq \frac{4}{9}$ , the OCRS is short and can be modelled by a first order transfer function without delay, when  $\frac{4}{9} < C_L \leq 1$ , a delay is added to a first order transfer function and when  $C_L > 1$ , the OCRS is long enough and can be modelled by a second order transfer function with delay.

**TABLE II.** Continuous transfer functions  $F(s)$  corresponding to  $CL$ .

$C_L$	$F(s)$
$C_L \leq \frac{4}{9}$	$F(s) = \frac{1}{1 + w_1 s}$
$\frac{4}{9} < C_L \leq 1$	$F(s) = \frac{e^{-\tau s}}{1 + w_1 s}$
$C_L > 1$	$F(s) = \frac{e^{-\tau s}}{1 + w_1 s + w_2 s^2}$

The time delay  $t_g$  (see relation (1)) depends on the network configuration (the followed path). It is computed from the step response of the transfer function, which is identified around the reference discharge  $Q_e$ , and corresponds to the time so that 50% of the step response is reached. Then, the transfer delay  $T_{M_i,j}$  (1) is expressed according to the sampling period  $T_s$ :

$$kd_{M_i,j} = \left\lfloor \frac{T_{M_i,j}}{T_s} \right\rfloor + 1, \quad (5)$$

where  $\lfloor x \rfloor$  denotes the integer part of  $x$ . The measured water quantity in  $M_i$  will arrive on gate  $G_j$  at the date:

$$\mathfrak{T}_{M_i,j} = (k + kd_{M_i,j})T_s. \quad (6)$$

Finally, the transfer time delays between the measurement point  $M_i$  and each gate  $G_j$  are given by the Management Objective Generation Module and expressed by the vector  $\mathbf{T}_{M_i}$  ( $n \times 1$ ):

$$\mathbf{T}_{M_i} = [\mathfrak{T}_{M_i,1}, \dots, \mathfrak{T}_{M_i,j}, \dots, \mathfrak{T}_{M_i,n}]^T, \quad (7)$$

where  $\mathfrak{T}_{M_i,j}$  is null if  $R(i,j) = 0$ .

The complex hydrographical network representation, as well as the identification of the transfer time delays, constitutes an essential step for the design of reactive control strategies.

### 3. Reactive Control Strategy

A reactive control strategy, based on a supervision and hybrid control accommodation framework, is depicted in Figure 3. The hydrographical network is represented by a set of  $m$  measurement points  $M_i$  and  $n$  gates  $G_j$  locally controlled. For each gate  $G_j$ , a weekly objective discharge  $q_{j,obj}$ , and seasonal weights  $\lambda_j$  and  $\mu_j$  are given by the Management Objective Generation module according to the water contracts and to climatic events. The weekly measurement point objective discharge  $Q_{M_i,obj}$  is known.

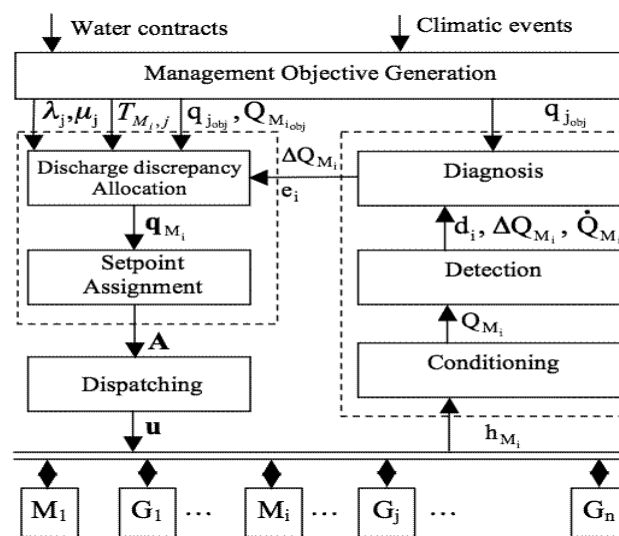


Figure 3. Supervision and hybrid control accommodation framework.

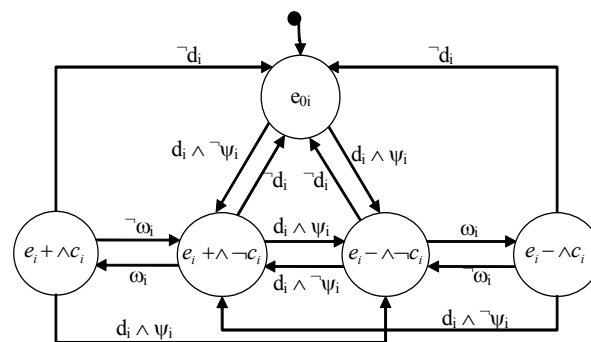


Figure 4. Hybrid automaton for the measurement point  $M_i$ .

For each measurement point  $M_i$ ;  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , discharge supervision consists in monitoring discharge disturbances and diagnosing the resource state, simultaneously. Limnimeter measurements are conditioned by a low-pass filter on a sliding window that removes wrong data due to transmission errors for instance. Based on the discharge value  $Q_{M_i}$  that is measured at each sample time  $kT_s$ , detection and diagnosis automata are used respectively to detect a discharge discrepancy and to diagnose the resource states [9]. The concurrent hybrid automaton (see Figure 4) is designed for each measurement point  $M_i$ . The concurrent hybrid automaton formalism is drawn from the concurrent hybrid automata proposed in [2, 11, 12].

The five pertinent states retained correspond respectively to no-discrepancy state  $e_0$ , two states where the discharge discrepancy is either positive ( $e^+$ ) or negative ( $e^-$ ) and constant ( $c_j$ ), and two states where the discharge discrepancy is either positive ( $e^+$ ) or negative ( $e^-$ ) and no constant ( $-c_i$ ). Transitions between states are defined as conditions on the measured discharge values and variations:

$$\begin{cases} d_i : \left[ \left| \Delta Q_{M_i} \right| > th_i \right] \\ \psi_i : \left[ \Delta Q_{M_i} < 0 \right] \\ \omega_i : \left[ \left| \dot{Q}_{M_i} \right| > dth_i \right] \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

with  $\Delta Q_{M_i} = Q_{M_i} - Q_{M_i}^{obj}$ , where  $Q_{M_i}$  is the measured discharge,  $Q_{M_i}^{obj}$  is the management objective of the measurement point  $M_i$ ,  $\dot{Q}_{M_i}$  the estimate derivative of  $Q_{M_i}$ ,  $th_i$  and  $dth_i$  respectively the detection and diagnosis thresholds.

According to the resource state and the discharge discrepancy  $\Delta Q_{M_i}$ , the hybrid control accommodation consists in determining the setpoints  $q_j$ , and in assigning them to the gates taking into account the hydrographical system dynamics. The resource allocation consists in recalculating setpoints with a goal to route resource in excess to dams and to dispatch amongst the users the resource in lack. At each sample time  $kT_s$ , the resource allocation leads to the determination of allocation vector  $q_{M_i}$  which is composed of the new computed setpoints. The allocation vector is computed according to the resource state  $e_i$  taking into account the seasonal weights  $\lambda_j$  and  $\mu_j$ .

**If the resource state is no diagnose situation** (denoted  $E_0$ ), the setpoints are the objective discharges  $q_{j_{obj}}$ . The allocation vector is such as:

$$\mathbf{q}_{M_i} = \left[ \delta_{R(i,1)}^1 q_{1_{obj}}, \dots, \delta_{R(i,j)}^1 q_{j_{obj}}, \dots, \delta_{R(i,n)}^1 q_{n_{obj}} \right]^T, \quad (9)$$

where  $n$  is the total number of gates, and  $\delta_a^b$  is the Kronecker index.

**If the resource state is such as discharge is constant, in lack** (denoted  $e^- \wedge c_i$ ) or in excess (denoted  $e^+ \wedge c_i$ ), the water resource is allocated among the gates downstream the measurement point  $M_i$ , according to the weights  $\lambda_j$  and  $\mu_j$ . The allocation strategy consists in optimizing a cost function by linear programming method for each measurement point:

$$f_{M_i} = \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \delta_{R(i,j)}^1 \chi_{M_i,j} (q_j - q_{j_{obj}}) \right) \quad (10)$$

$$\text{with } \chi_{M_i,j} = \gamma \frac{1}{\lambda_j} + (\gamma - 1) \frac{1}{\mu_j}, \gamma = \frac{1}{2} (\text{sign}(\Delta Q_{M_i}) + 1)$$

The optimization is carried out under constraints:

$$\begin{cases} \sum_{j=1}^n (R(i,j)(q_j - q_{j_{obj}})) = \Delta Q_{M_i}, \\ q_{j_{\min}} \leq q_j \leq q_{j_{\max}}, \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

where  $q_{j_{\min}}$  and  $q_{j_{\max}}$  are respectively the minimum and maximum discharges given by gate, river or canal characteristics. In this case, the allocation vector  $q_{M_i}$  is such as:

$$\mathbf{q}_{M_i} = \left[ \delta_{R(i,1)}^1 q_1, \dots, \delta_{R(i,j)}^1 q_j, \dots, \delta_{R(i,n)}^1 q_n \right]^T, \quad (12)$$

**If the resource state is such as discharge is no constant, in lack** (denoted  $e^- \wedge -c_i$ ) or in excess (denoted  $e^+ \wedge -c_i$ ), in order to avoid numerous re-allocation, the water resource is allocated only on one gate,

each one in its turn, at each detection date. The selection of this gate,  $G_i$ , is carried out according to the weights  $\lambda_j$  and  $\mu_j$ , and to a request criterion  $S_j$ , storing the gate request and associated to each gate (14). As long as the state is  $\neg c_i$ , only one gate is assigned but the selected gate changes at each detection date. Because the discrepancy is not constant, at each  $kT_s$ , the assigned gate  $G_i$  has to absorb only the discrepancy  $\Delta q_i^k$  that was not yet absorbed by the previous ones:

$$\Delta q_i^k = \Delta Q_{M_i}^k - \Delta Q_{M_i}^{k-1}, \quad (13)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} l \mid S_l = \min_{j \in GG_i} S_j, \\ GG_i = \left\{ j \mid \begin{array}{l} j \leq n \quad \text{and} \quad R(i, j) = 1 \\ \text{and} \quad q_{j_{\min}} \leq q_i^{k-1} + \Delta q_i^k \leq q_{j_{\max}} \end{array} \right\}. \end{array} \right. \quad (14)$$

The allocation vector  $\mathbf{q}_{M_i}^k$  is then given by:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{q}_{M_i}^k = \left[ \delta_{R(i,1)}^1 q_1^{k-1}, \dots, \delta_{R(i,l)}^1 q_l^k, \dots, \delta_{R(i,n)}^1 q_n^{k-1} \right]^T, \\ q_i^k = q_i^{k-1} + \Delta q_i^k. \end{array} \right. \quad (15)$$

At each sample time  $kT_s$ , the setpoint assignment matrix  $\mathbf{A}_{M_i}^k (H_{M_i} \times n)$ , where  $H_{M_i}$  is the allocation horizon from  $M_i$  (16), is scheduled according to  $\mathbf{T}_{M_i}$  and  $\mathbf{q}_{M_i}$ .

$$H_{M_i} = \max_j T_{M_i}(j). \quad (16)$$

The first row of  $\mathbf{A}_{M_i}^k$  contains the setpoints to be assigned to each gate from  $M_i$  at the date  $(k+1)T_s$ , the  $h^{\text{th}}$  row the ones to be assigned at the date  $(k+h)T_s$  following the algorithm given in Table III, the last row the ones to be assigned at the date  $(k+H_{M_i})T_s$ . At the initial time, the values of the setpoint assignment matrix correspond to the objective discharges, i.e.  $A_{M_i}^0(h, j) = q_{j_{\text{obj}}}$ . Then, for  $h$  values between the date corresponding to  $T_{M_i}(j)$  and the date corresponding to the allocation horizon  $H_{M_i}$ , the new computed setpoints  $q_{M_i}(j)$  are assigned to  $A_{M_i}^k(h, j)$ . For values of  $h$  such as  $T_{M_i}(j)$  is lower than  $(k+h)T_s$ , the setpoints  $q_{M_i}(j)$  are not up-dated, and thus, the values of the setpoint assignment matrix  $\mathbf{A}_{M_i}^{k-1}$  at time  $(k-1)T_s$ , are assigned to the new matrix  $\mathbf{A}_{M_i}^k$  at time  $kT_s$ , with a shift delay of one period.

**TABLE III.** Setpoint assignment function of  $\mathbf{A}_{M_i}^k$  matrix.

Input:  $H_{M_i}$  horizon,  $\mathbf{T}_{M_i}$ ,  $\mathbf{q}_{M_i}$  and  $\mathbf{A}_{M_i}^{k-1}$  matrices.  
Output:  $\mathbf{A}_{M_i}^k$  matrix.  
For each measurement point  $M_i$   
  For each gate  $G_j$   
    For each row  $h$  of  $\mathbf{A}_{M_i}^k$   
      If  $T_{M_i}(j) \leq (k+h)T_s$   
         $A_{M_i}^k(h, j) = q_{M_i}(j)$   
      Else  
        If  $h < H_{M_i}$   
           $A_{M_i}^k(h, j) = A_{M_i}^{k-1}(h+1, j)$   
        Else  
           $A_{M_i}^k(h, j) = q_{j_{\text{obj}}}$   
      EndIf  
    EndIf  
  EndFor  
EndFor  
EndFor

**TABLE IV.** Assignment function of  $\alpha_{M_i}$  matrix.

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Input: digraph.
Output:  $\alpha_{M_i}$  matrix.
Initialisation of the diagonal of  $\alpha_{M_i}$  to 0,
 $g \leftarrow$  first gate successor of  $M_i$ 
Run ( $M_i, g, \alpha_{M_i}$ )

Run ( $M_i, g, \alpha_{M_i}$ ),
For each successor  $d$  of  $c$ 
  If  $L^{c,d}$  is  $L_S$  and  $d$  is a gate
    Run ( $M_i, g, \alpha_{M_i}$ )
     $\alpha_{M_i}(d,d) \leftarrow 1$ 
  EndIf
EndFor

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Finally, the setpoints are dispatched with the control period  $T_c = \kappa T_s$ , where  $k$  is an integer. The control setpoint vector denoted  $\mathbf{u}$  ( $1 \times n$ ) is updated at each date  $k'T_c$ , where  $k' = \frac{k}{\kappa}$ , thanks to the assignment matrix  $\mathbf{A}_{M_i}^k$  and the  $\alpha_{M_i}$  ( $n \times n$ ) diagonal control accommodation matrix, with  $H = \frac{1}{\kappa} \max_{1 \leq i \leq m} (H_{M_i})$  the control horizon. For each measurement point  $M_i$ , the  $\alpha_{M_i}$  matrix, the role of which is to capture the actual influence of the measurement point on the gates, must be determined. In order to generate the  $\alpha_{M_i}$  matrix, the weighted digraph (see Figure 1.c and d) is browsed using the algorithm given in table IV, for each measurement point  $M_i$ . The control setpoint vector  $\mathbf{u}^{k'}$  ( $1 \times n$ ) is calculated by:

$$u^{k'}(j) = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_{M_i}(j,j) A_{M_i}^{k'}(1,j). \quad (17)$$

The setpoint dispatching leads to the application of the most recently calculated setpoints. This method increases the control strategy reactivity, because discharge variations between two control dates are taken into account.

## 4. Management of a Networked Dam-River System

The problem addressed in this section deals with the water asset management of the Purple Dam-River System (PDRS) which is a part of a real networked hydrographical system. The PDRS is characterized by a gridded network configuration with two diffluences and one confluence. The PDRS is composed of the Purple channel upstream reach which supplies the Pink river, the Blue and the Orange channels, the Yellow, Jade and Cyan rivers. The Blue channel supplies the Green, the Red and the Magenta channels and the Indigo river. The Orange channel supplies the Black and the Magenta channels and the Indigo river (see Figure 5). The Red channel and Magenta channel supply downstream dams. The channels are composed of several reach sections, *i.e.* a part between two measurement points, about thirty kilometres length. It is considered that all the OCRS of the reach sections have trapezoidal profiles.



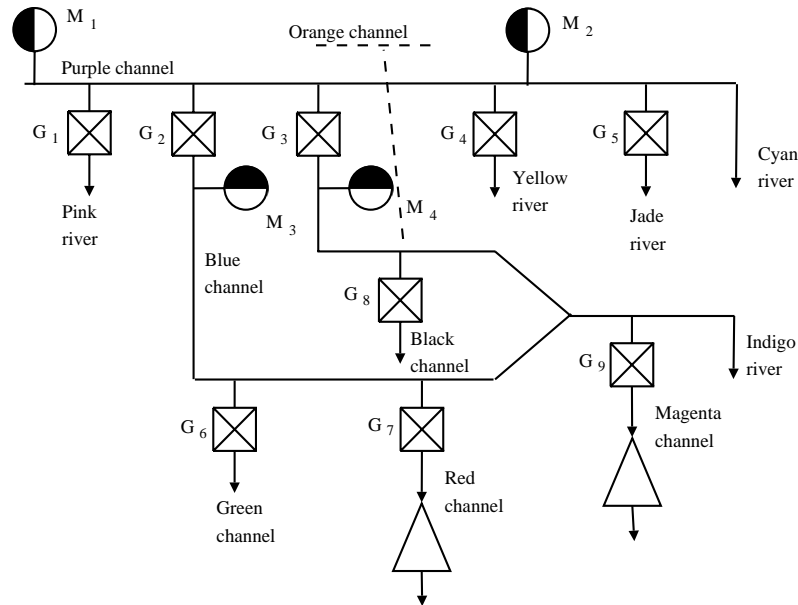
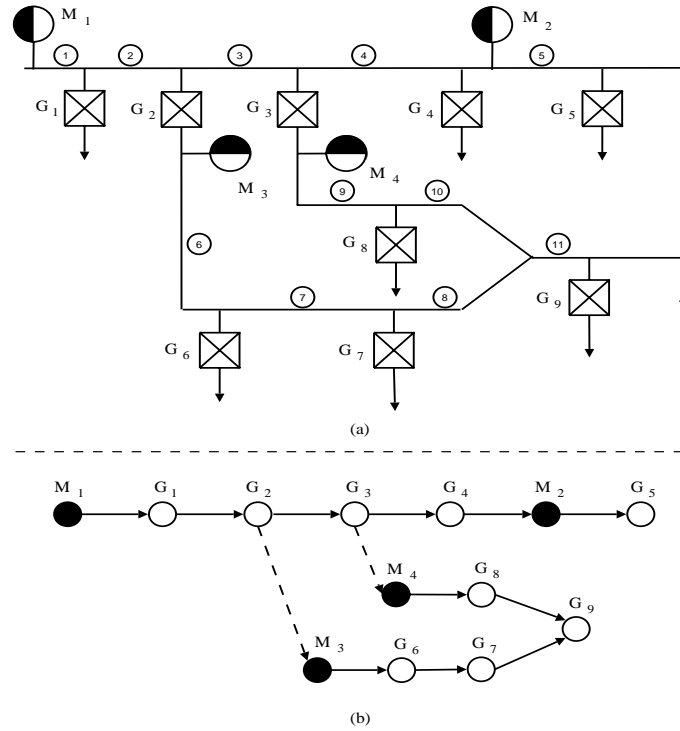


Figure 5. Purple dam-river system.

The PDRS is equipped with telecontrol system to satisfy at best all users and to preserve the resource. The diffluences are equipped at least by a controlled gate and a measurement point. Thus, the discharge flows, downstream the diffluence, are controlled. The PDRS's instrumentation consists of four measurement points  $M_1$  to  $M_4$ , and of nine controlled gates  $G_1$  to  $G_9$ . The gate characteristics, *i.e.* objective discharge  $q_{j_{obj}}$ , maximum and minimum discharges  $q_{j_{max}}$  and  $q_{j_{min}}$ , and their associated weights  $\lambda_j$  and  $\mu_j$ , and the objective discharges of the Cyan river and the Indigo river, respectively denoted  $q_{10}$  and  $q_{11}$ , are given in Table V. The objective discharges of  $M_1$ ,  $M_2$ ,  $M_3$  and  $M_4$  correspond, respectively, to  $15 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ ,  $2.5 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ ,  $5 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  and  $2.5 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ .

TABLE V. Gate characteristics.

Gate	$q_{j_{obj}} [\text{m}^3/\text{s}]$	$q_{j_{min}} [\text{m}^3/\text{s}]$	$q_{j_{max}} [\text{m}^3/\text{s}]$	$\lambda_j$	$\mu_j$
$G_1$	2	0.5	4	4	10
$G_2$	5	2.5	12	10	4
$G_3$	2.5	2	8	10	4
$G_4$	3	1	5	4	10
$G_5$	1	0.5	3	4	4
$G_6$	0.5	0.2	2	4	4
$G_7$	2	1	5	10	4
$G_8$	1	0.5	3	4	4
$G_9$	1.5	0.5	7	10	4
$q_{10}$	1.5	0.5	4	–	–
$q_{11}$	2.5	1	5	–	–



**Figure 6.** (a) PDRS representation, (b) its associated digraph representation.

The PDRS is subjected to disturbances upstream the Purple Channel. The considered management scenario consists in:

- Allocating the water quantities in lack, due to withdrawals, amongst the Pink and the Yellow rivers,
- Allocating the water quantities in excess, due to water restitution, toward the Red channel and Magenta channel which supply dams.

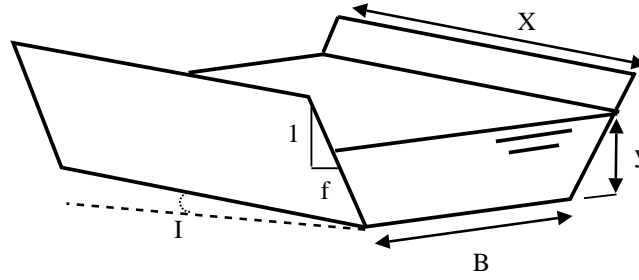
Thus, the weights  $\lambda_j$  that are associated to the gates G2, G3, G7 and G9 are the maximum ones (see Table V). In addition, the maximum weights  $\mu_i$  are associated to the gates  $G_i$  and  $G_i$  that correspond to minor priority uses.

**The first step** of the proposed method is based on the digraph representation of the PDRS, shown in Figure 6, which leads to the determination of the  $\mathbf{R}$  and  $\alpha_{M_i}$  matrices according to the algorithms given in Tables I and IV, respectively. The matrix  $\mathbf{R}$  is given by relation (18). The values of  $R(1, j)$ , i.e. from the measurement point  $M_1$  to the gates, is equal to 1 for the gates  $G_1$  to  $G_5$  because there is a direct path between this measurement point and these gates, and 0 otherwise.

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (18)$$

The diagonal matrices  $\alpha_{M_1}$  to  $\alpha_{M_4}$  are given by (19). The fifth value of  $\alpha_{M_1}$  is equal to 0 because measurement point  $M_2$  is located upstream gates  $G_5$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{M_1} &= \text{diag}\{1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0\}, \\ \alpha_{M_2} &= \text{diag}\{0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0\}, \\ \alpha_{M_3} &= \text{diag}\{0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1\}, \\ \alpha_{M_4} &= \text{diag}\{0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1\}. \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$



**Figure 7.** Geometrical characteristics of a trapezoidal profile.

**The second step** aims at determining the transfer time delays  $T_{M_i, J}$ . The HYS have been modelled according to the specific length and profile section of each OCRS. The OCRS are numbered from 1 to 11 (see Figure 6.a). The OCRS with trapezoidal profile is characterized by the bottom width  $B$ , the average fruit of the banks  $f$ , the profile length  $X$ , the discharge depth  $y$  and the slope  $I$  (see Figure 7). The geometrical characteristics of the OCRS are given in Table VI.

For trapezoidal profiles, the celerity and diffusion parameters  $C_e$  and  $D_e$  are expressed as:

$$\begin{cases} C_e = \frac{Q_e}{L^2} \left[ -f + \frac{L}{3} \left( \frac{2B}{P_y} + \frac{5L}{S} - \frac{2}{y} \right) \right] \\ D_e = \frac{Q_e}{2LJ} \end{cases} \quad (20)$$

with  $L = B + 2fy$ ,  $S = yB + fy^2$ ,  $P = B + 2y\sqrt{1 + f^2}$ , and the slope  $J$  is equivalent to the reach slope  $I$  for a non critical discharge.

In the studied case, the transfer function is estimated for one operating point for each OCRS. Parameters of the transfer functions identified for reference discharges  $Q_e$ , are given in Table VII. The response times  $t$  are computed from the step response of every identified model, as the time such that 50% of the step response is reached. Then, the transfer delays  $t_s$  are computed according to response times  $t$  and to the PDRS configuration (see Figure 8). The measurement points  $M_2$ ,  $M_3$  and  $M_4$ , are located close to their respective upstream gates  $G_1$ ,  $G_2$  and  $G_3$ .

**TABLE VI.** Geometrical characteristics of the OCRS.

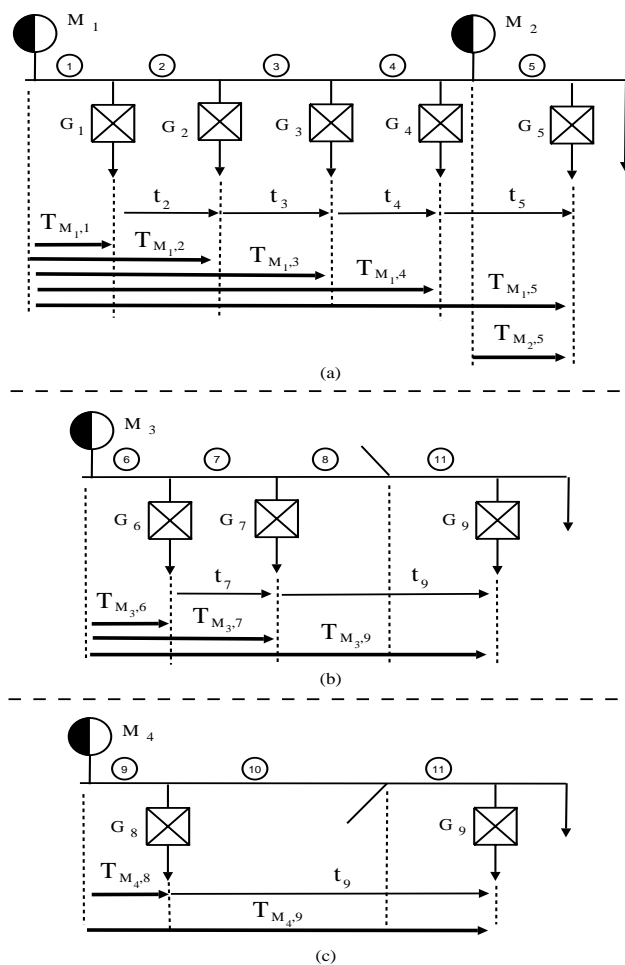
OCRS	$B[m]$	$f$	$X[m]$	$I$	$K$
1	5.4	0.8	1200	$5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	70
2	5.4	0.95	3700	$5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	70
3	5.2	0.95	1500	$5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	70
4	5	0.9	2400	$5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	70
5	4.8	0.9	1200	$5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	70
6	4	0.95	11000	$2 \cdot 10^{-4}$	70
7	4	0.95	15000	$2 \cdot 10^{-4}$	70
8	4	0.95	2625	$4 \cdot 10^{-4}$	70
9	3	0.95	10000	$4 \cdot 10^{-4}$	70
10	3	0.95	5000	$3 \cdot 10^{-4}$	70
11	3	0.95	2000	$2 \cdot 10^{-4}$	70

**TABLE VII.** Parameters of the transfer functions.

OCRS	$Q_c [m^3/s]$	$w_1$	$w_2$	$\tau [s]$	$t_L [s]$
1	15	570	0	0	395
2	13	1246	0	624	1480
3	8	778	0	69	607
4	5.5	1057	85800	419	1180
5	2.5	673	0	240	707
6	5	7425	10980000	2590	8590
7	4.5	9397	21820000	4540	12400
8	2.5	1619	443200	540	1800
9	2.5	4314	5312000	3970	7710
10	1.5	3610	3149000	1650	4660
11	4	1967	0	0	1360

Finally, the transfer time delays between the measurement points  $M_i$  and each gate  $G_j$  are expressed according to the sample time  $T_s$  (equal to 120 s) using equation (5). The vectors  $\mathbf{kd}_{M_i}$  are given by equation (21). Then, at each sample time  $kT_s$ , the vectors  $\mathbf{T}_{M_i}$  are computed using (6).

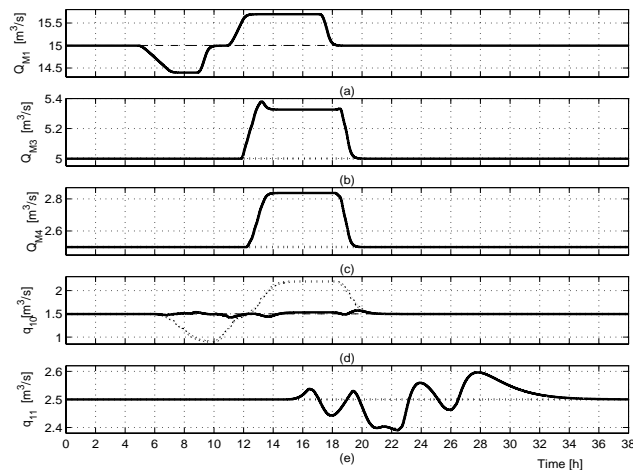
$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{kd}_{M_1} &= [4, 16, 21, 31, 37, 0, 0, 0, 0]^T, \\
 \mathbf{kd}_{M_2} &= [0, 0, 0, 0, 6, 0, 0, 0, 0]^T, \\
 \mathbf{kd}_{M_3} &= [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 72, 175, 0, 201]^T, \\
 \mathbf{kd}_{M_4} &= [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 65, 115]^T.
 \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$



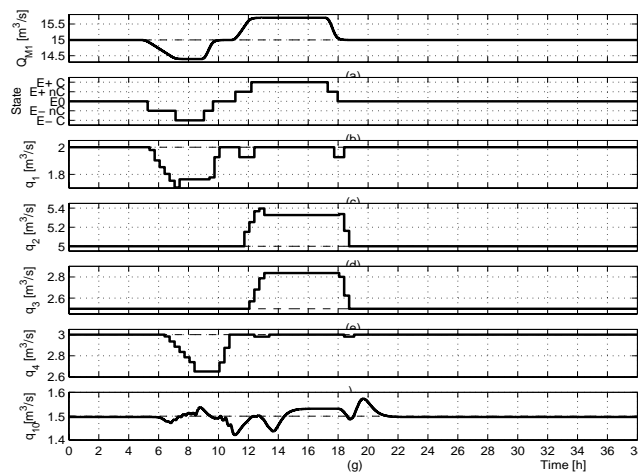
**Figure 8.** Time delays between measurement points and gates for (a) Purple channel stream, (b) Blue channel stream, and (c) Orange channel stream.

The hydrographical system is subjected to disturbances upstream the measurement points  $M_i$  (see Figure 9.a). Figure 9 shows discharges measured on  $M_1$ ,  $M_3$  and  $M_4$ , and the discharges  $q_{10}$  and  $q_{11}$  in the case where no reactive strategy is used (dotted line) and where the reactive strategy is used (continuous line). The results on  $M_2$  and the setpoints dispatched on gates  $G_5$  are not detailed herein.

For each canal reach, Figures 10, 11 and 12 show measured discharges in (a), the corresponding resource states diagnosis in (b), and the new setpoints that have been dispatched at the gates. As an example, the discharge measured on  $M_1$  is depicted in Figure 10.a, the corresponding diagnosed resource state in Figure 10.b, the setpoints dispatched on gates  $G_1$ ,  $G_2$ ,  $G_3$  and  $G_4$  respectively, in Figures 10.c, 10.d, 10.e, and 10.f, and the resource at the end of the channel  $G_{10}$  in Figure 10.g. The setpoint dispatched on gate  $G_5$  is resulting from the addition of the new setpoints calculated from  $M_3$  and  $M_4$  (see Figures 11.e and 12.d). Thus, in Figure 11.e, and in Figure 12.d, the setpoint allocated starting from  $M_3$  and, respectively, from  $M_4$  are represented in dashed line, and the resulting setpoint dispatched on gate  $G_5$  in continuous line.



**Figure 9.** Discharges (a)  $Q_{M_1}$ , (b)  $Q_{M_3}$ , (c)  $Q_{M_4}$ , (d)  $q_{10}$ , (e)  $q_{11}$ , with control accommodation (continuous line) and without (dotted line).

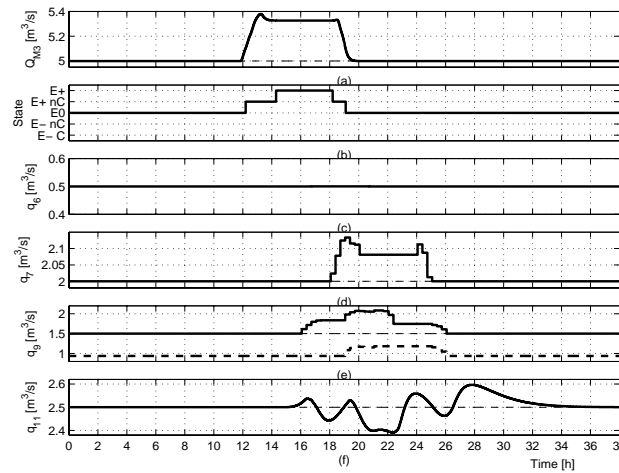


**Figure 10.** (a) Discharge  $Q_{M_1}$ , (b) diagnosed states from  $M_1$ . Setpoints assigned to (c) gate  $G_1$ , (d) gate  $G_2$ , (e) gate  $G_3$ , (f) gate  $G_4$ , and (g) gate  $G_{10}$ .

When no strategy is applied, the water quantities in lack or in excess are not allocated on the gates  $G_1$  to  $G_5$  (see dotted line in Figure 10.c, d, e and f), as shown by the values of the measured discharges on  $M_3$  and  $M_4$  (see dotted line in Figure 9.b and c). The volumes of water due to the disturbances are propagated upstream to downstream on the Purple channel, and the discharge at the end of the channel  $q_{10}$  is far from its discharge objective  $q_{10, obj}$  from the 6<sup>th</sup> hour to the 20<sup>th</sup> hour (see dotted line in Figure 9.d).

When the reactive strategy is applied, as defined by the management scenario, the water quantities in lack are allocated amongst the gates  $G_1$  and  $G_4$  (see Figure 10.c and f), and the water quantities in excess are allocated amongst the gates  $G_2$  and  $G_3$  (see Figure 10.d and e) and finally amongst the gates  $G_7$  and  $G_9$  (see

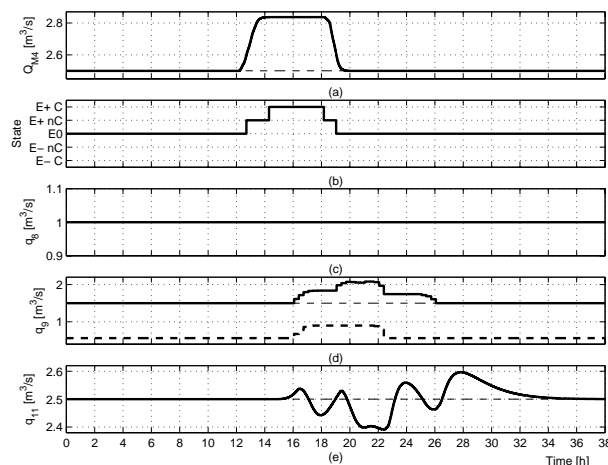
Figures 11.d, e and 12.d). The discharges at the end of the hydrographical system are closed to the objective values, respectively, of  $1.5 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  for  $q_{10}$  and  $2.5 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  for  $q_{11}$  (see Figure 10.g and Figure 11.f). The discharge discrepancies at the end of the channels are lower than  $0.1 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ . The positive water discrepancy upstream  $M_1$  correspond to a volume of  $15000 \text{ m}^3$  during 7 hours. The proposed strategy leads to the allocation of a great part of the water volume measured upstream to  $M_i$  in the downstream dams, by the control of the gates  $G_2, G_3, G_7$  and  $G_9$ . A volume of  $12000 \text{ m}^3$  is directed from  $M_i$  to the catchment areas, i.e. 80 % of the water volume in excess.



**Figure 11.** (a) Discharge  $Q_{M_3}$ , (b) diagnosed states from  $M_3$ . Setpoints assigned to (c) gate  $G_6$ , (d) gate  $G_7$ , (e) gate  $G_9$ , and (f) gate  $q_{11}$ .

## 5. Conclusion

The water-asset management of networked hydrographical systems which are characterized by great dimensions and composed of confluences and equipped diffluences is improved by using the supervision and hybrid control accommodation strategy proposed here. In order to implement the strategy, a weighted digraph representation of dam-river systems was proposed and the resource allocation and setpoint assignment rules were defined. The reactive control strategy aims at detecting discrepancies, diagnosing the resource state and accommodating the discharge setpoints sent to the gates. The strategy was evaluated in the case of a dam-river system composed of two diffluences and one confluence, which supplies with water downstream dams. The simulation results show that the reactive strategy allows valorising the water by resource allocation and setpoint assignment. The strategy proposed in this paper is a generic tool for water resource valorisation whatever the configuration of the dam-river networks is. An interesting extension of the strategy would be the integration of fault detection and isolation methods for sensors and actuators in the supervision scheme.



**Figure 12.** (a) Discharge  $Q_{M_4}$ , (b) diagnosed states from  $M_4$ . Setpoints assigned to (c) gate  $G_8$ , (d) gate  $G_9$ , and (e) gate  $q_{11}$ .

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