

DEVELOPMENT OF MULTI-HAZARD RISK INDICATORS FOR IMMOVABLE CULTURAL HERITAGE

Flood Vulnerability Assessment

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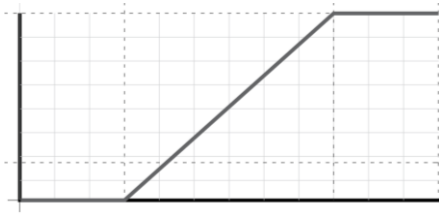
Aiming for simplicity, they are typically only focused on the characteristics of the exposed elements and **do not take into account the intensity of the natural hazards**, which are crucial for assessing vulnerability and risk.



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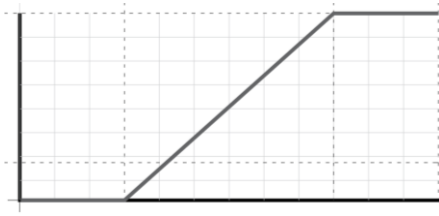
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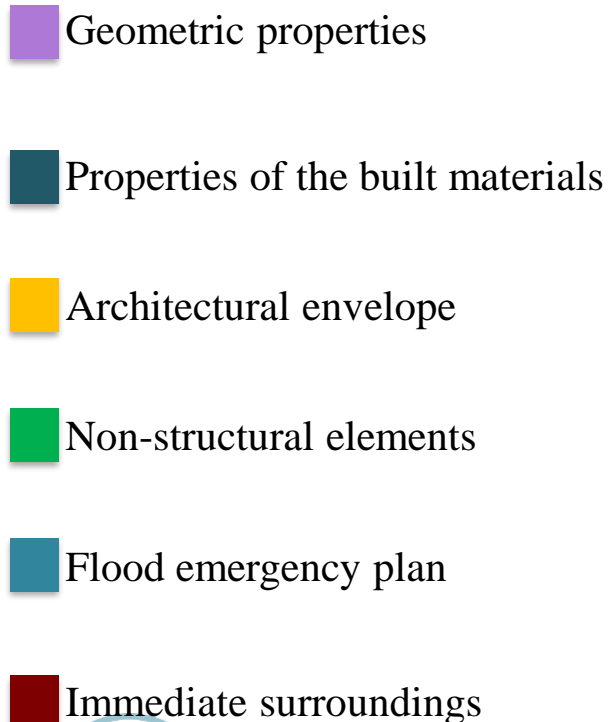
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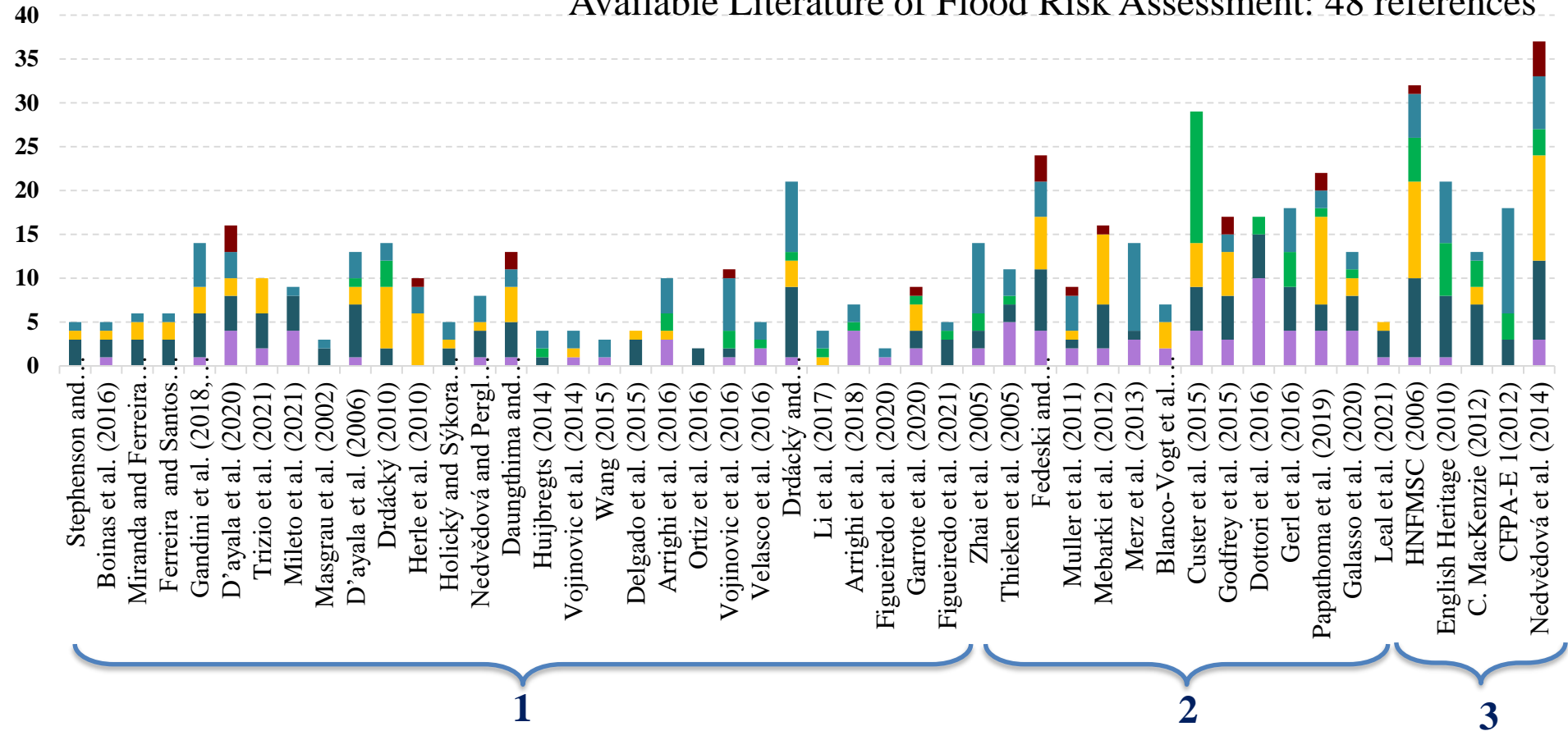
Goal: to characterise the vulnerability of large sets of **cultural heritage** assets in a simplified manner, with a **reasonably high level of detail**, taking into consideration the **intensity of the hazard**, in this case, water depth (β)

Review of Methods for the selection of Flood Vulnerability Indicators

Number of aspects, indicators or parameters of the raw data identified



Available Literature of Flood Risk Assessment: 48 references



1. Methods tailored for cultural heritage with different levels of ‘detail/scale’ assessment
2. Literature tailored for ordinary buildings
3. Complementary literature (technical guidelines and reports)



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Hybrid Flood Vulnerability Assessment for Historic Buildings and their valuable content

Baseline Vulnerability Curve

Vulnerability Index

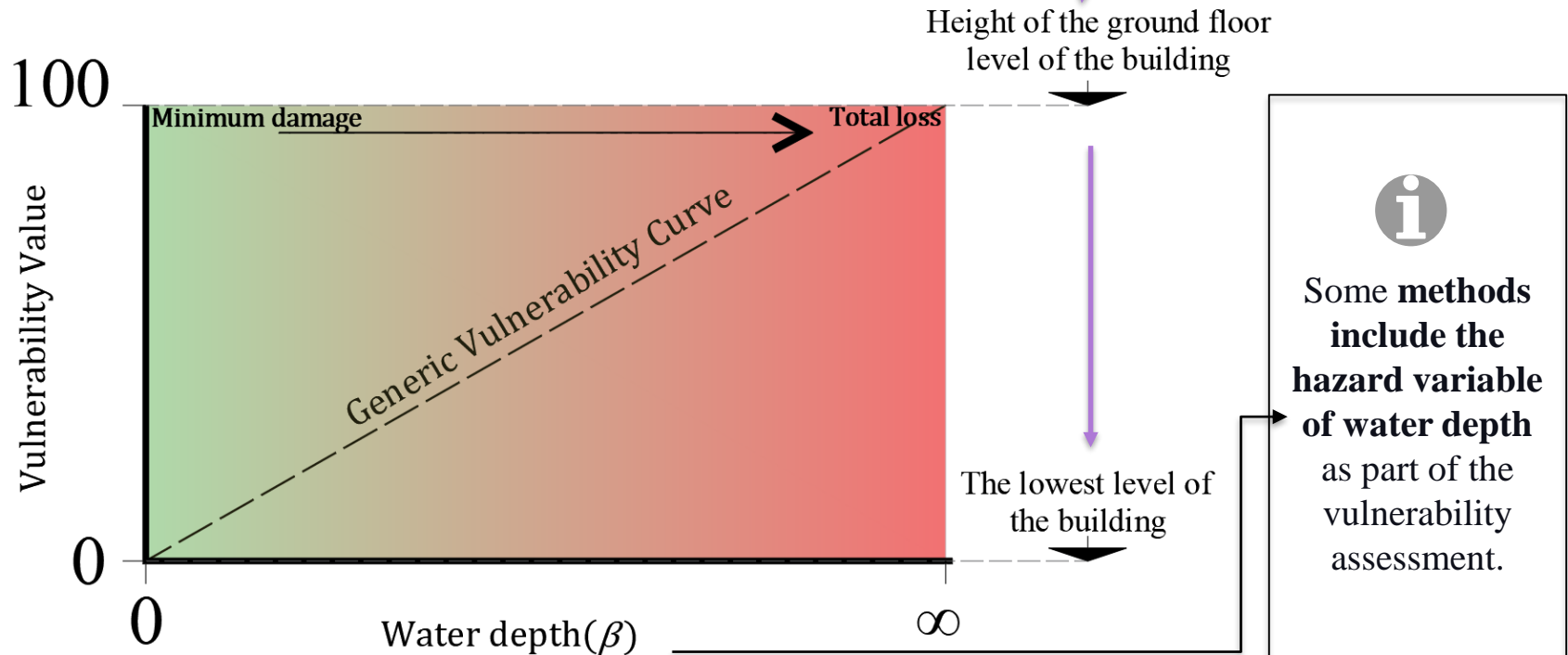
$$FVC(\beta)_{[0:100]} = V_C(\beta)_{[0:100]} \times \left(\frac{VI_{FL}}{100} \right)_{[0:1]}$$

It functions as the maximum relative flood vulnerability curve that the built cultural heritage asset and its valuable content may have.

It functions as a factorisation to reduce the initial flood baseline vulnerability curve

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Geometric properties



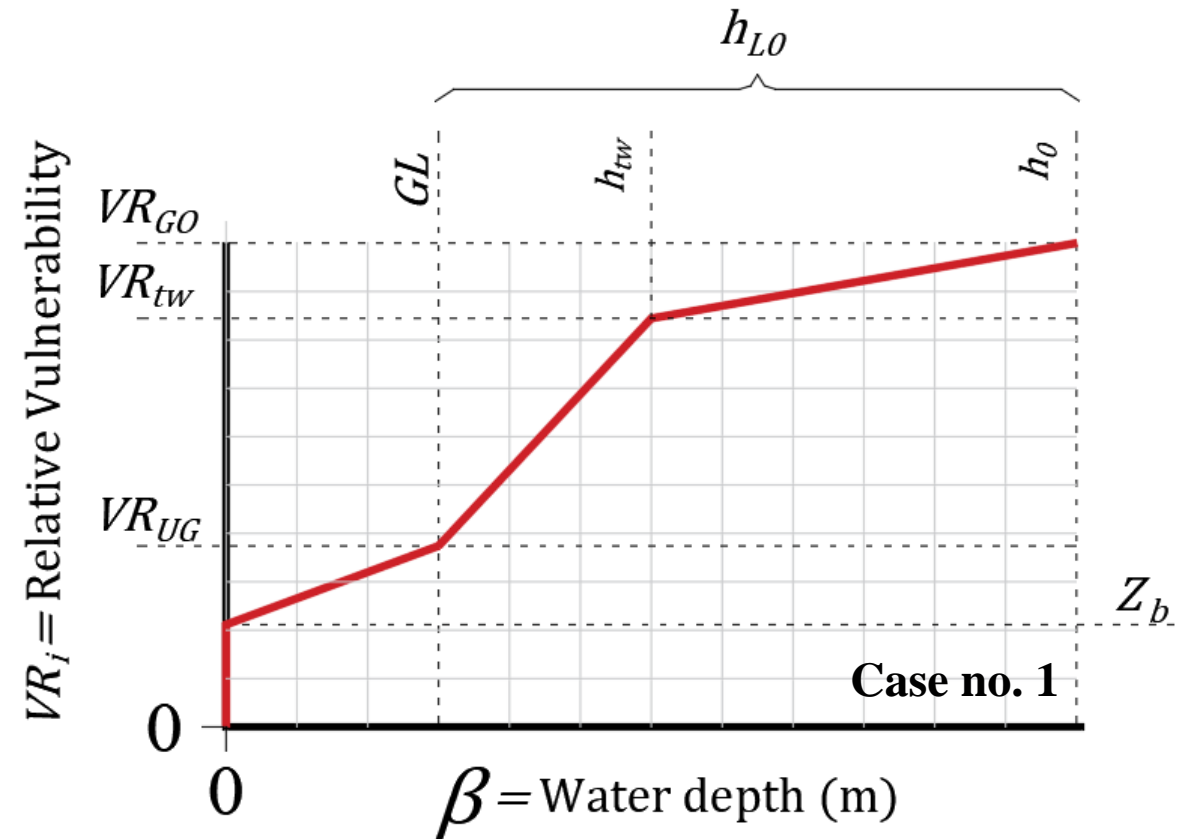
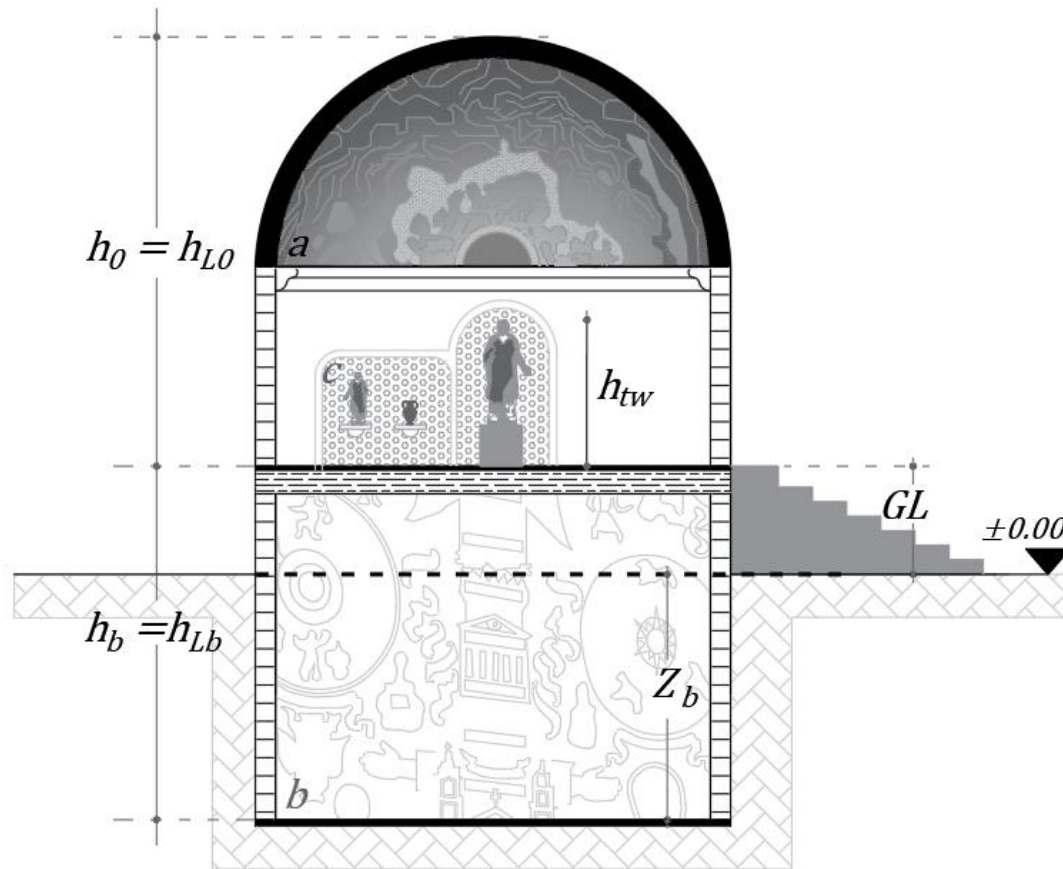
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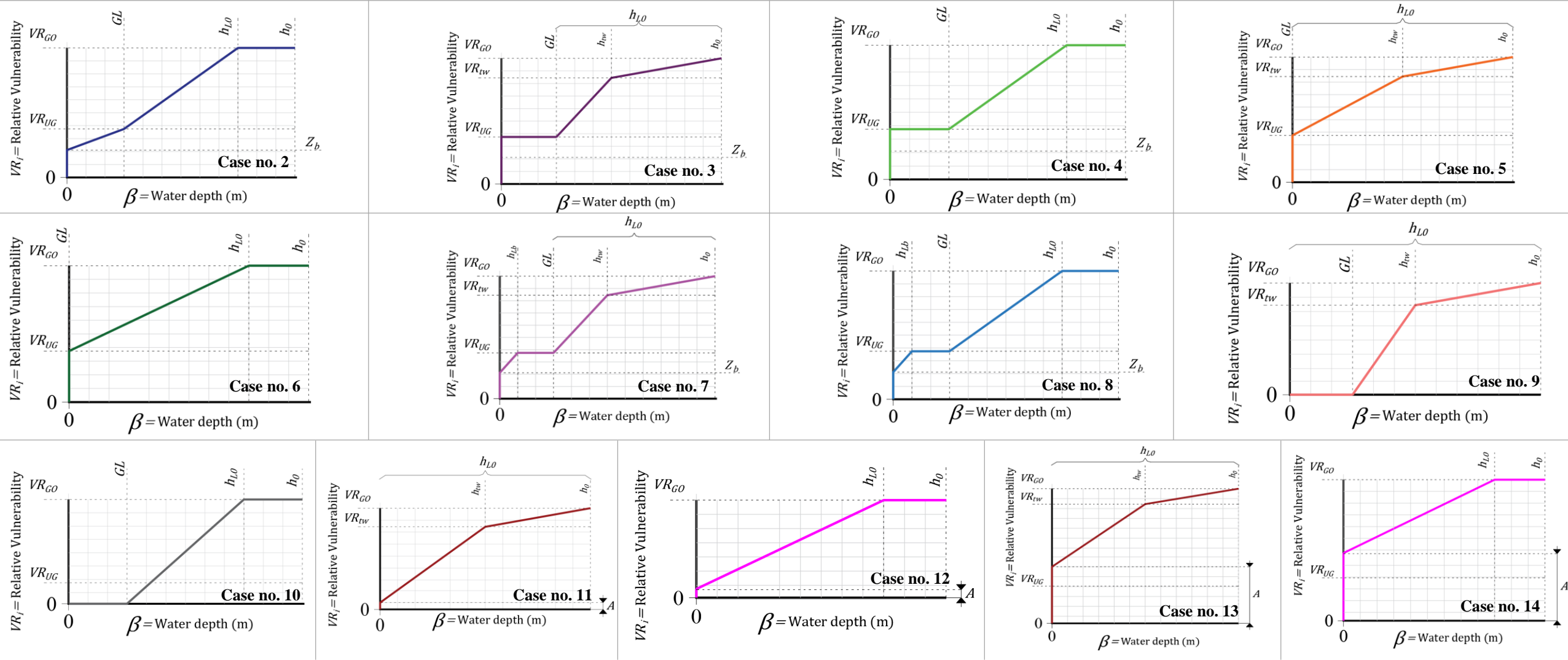
Case no. 1, $GL \neq 0$ (\because above ground level), $h_b = h_{Lb}$, h_b and $h_{Lb} > Z_b$, $h_0 = h_{L0}$

14 baseline vulnerability curves cases were defined considering the geometric properties of historic constructions

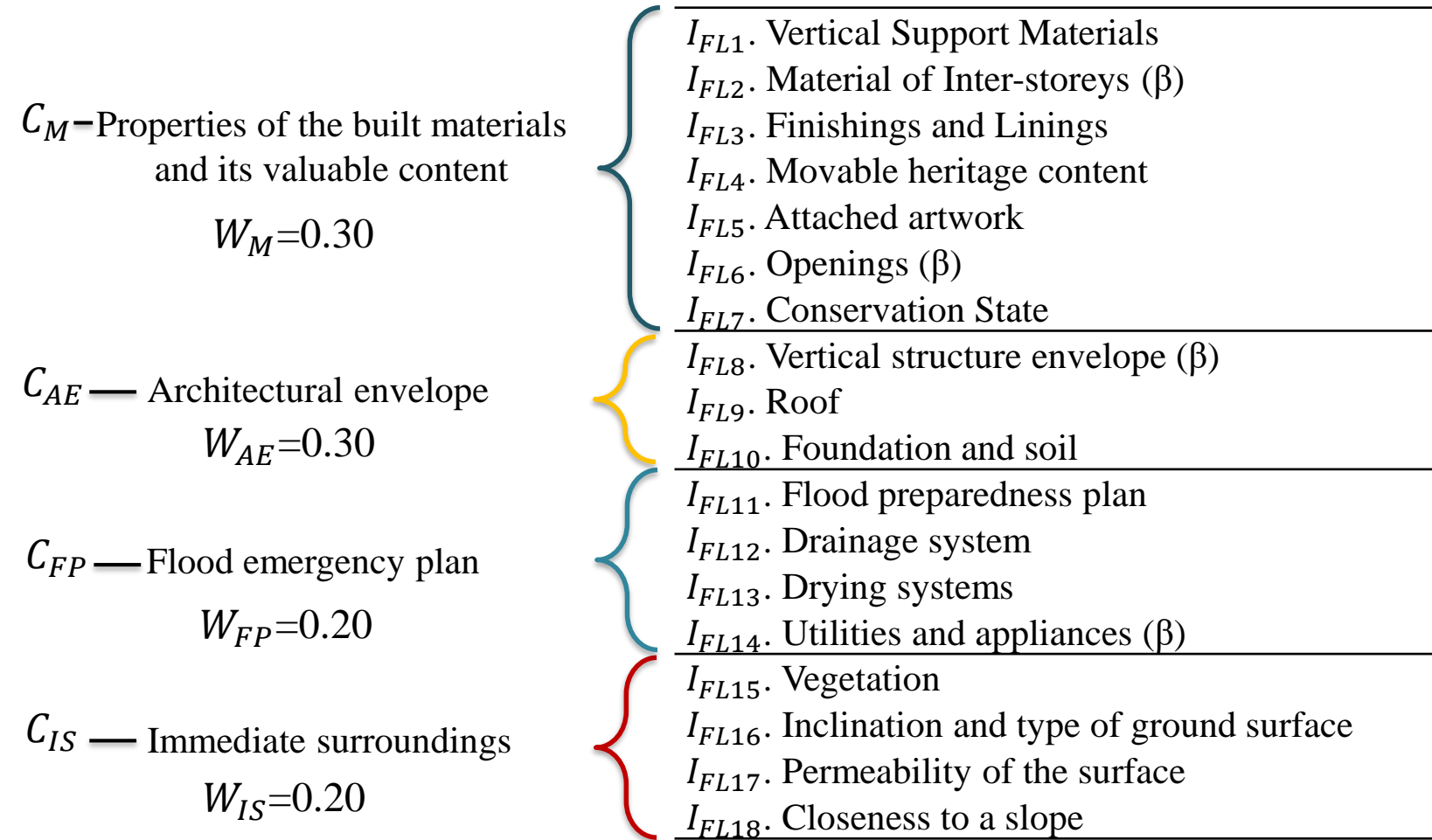


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Baseline Vulnerability Curve (+13 more cases defined cases)



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$$VI_{FL} = \text{Vulnerability Index}$$



18 flood vulnerability indicators

$$VI_{FL} = \sum_{i=1}^4 \bar{C}_i * W_i$$

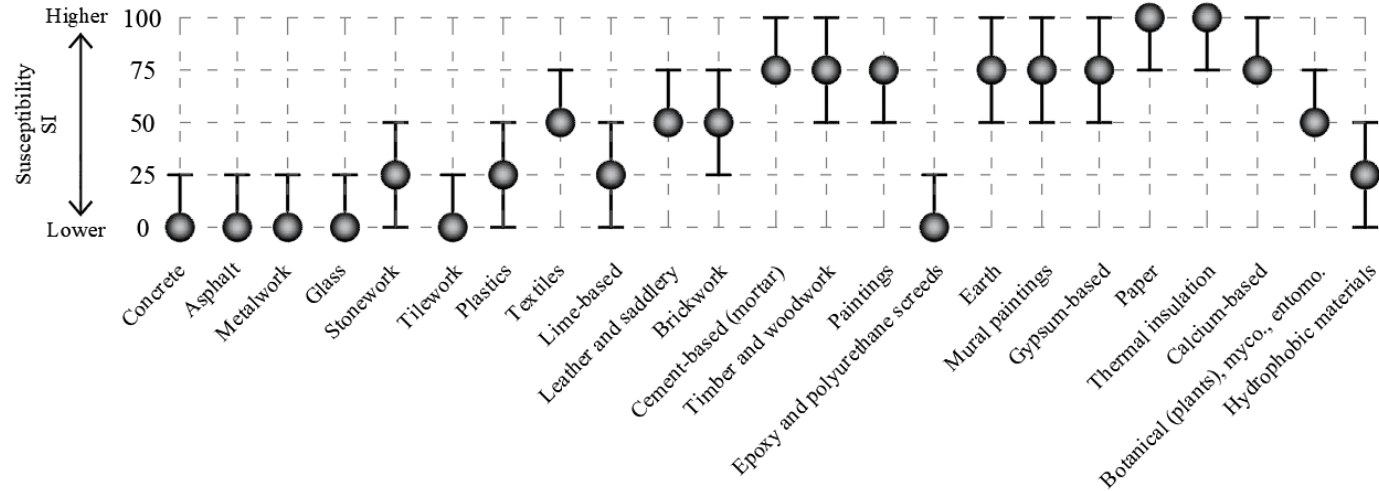
\bar{C}_i = mean value of considering the I_{FLi} for each category

W_i = attributed weight of each category

Note: (β) means that the indicator consider possible water depth measurements

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How a indicator-based method works?



(Illustrative example no.1 for I_{FL1})

Indicators associated with the material of the historic construction

For instance a vertical support (I_{FL1}) of:

1. three-leaves walls of two leaves of sandstone ($SI=25$)
2. and single-leaf of earth ($SI=75$)
3. using lime mortar joints ($SI=25$),
4. with a coating of lime mortar ($SI=25$)
5. and organic painting ($SI=75$).

$$I_{FL1} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n SI_i}{n}$$

$$I_{FL1} = \frac{25 + 25 + 75 + 25 + 75}{5} = 45$$

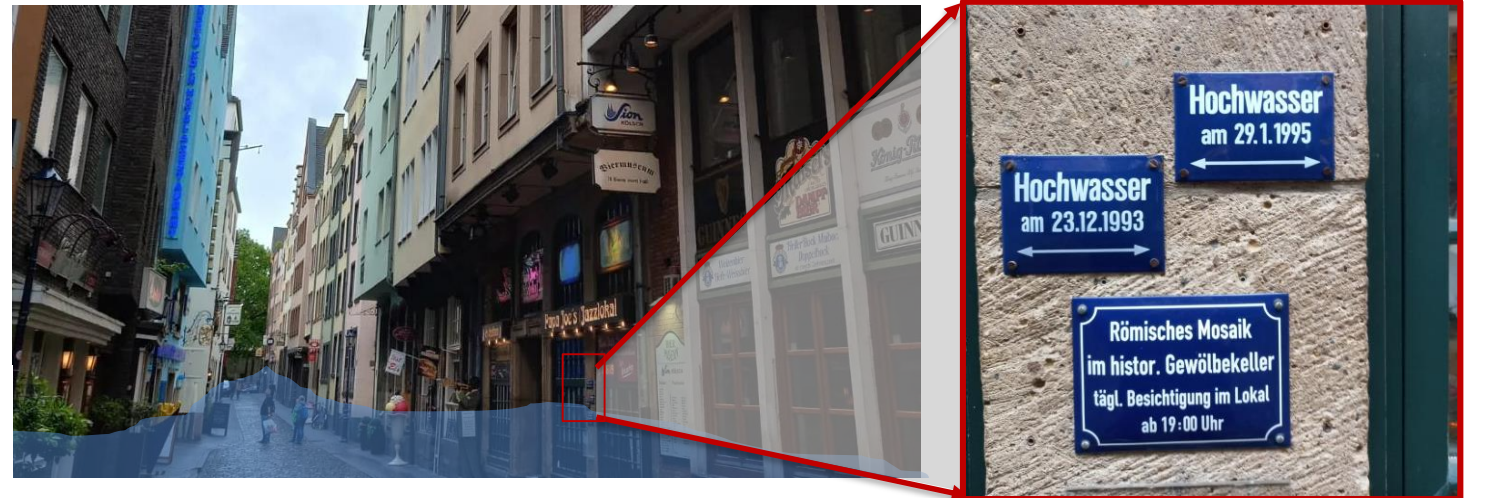
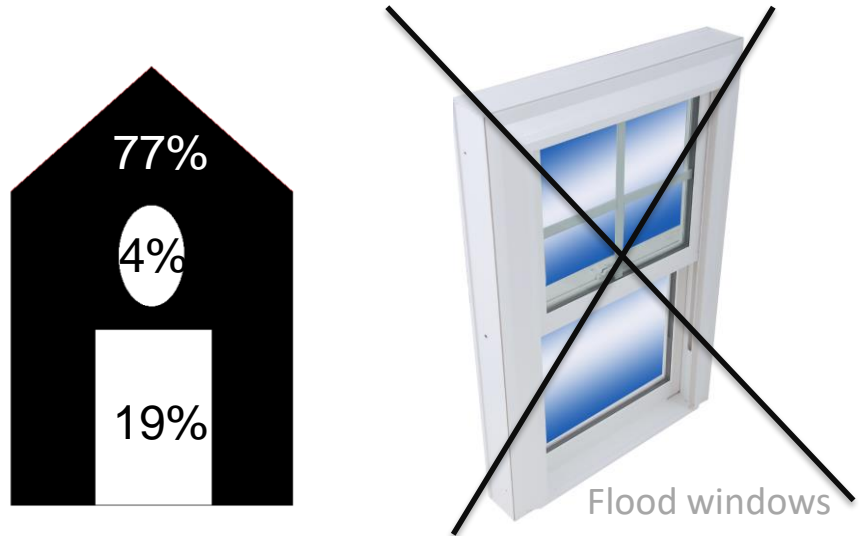
Description	Susceptibility Indexes (SI)
The occurrence of damage is not expected (i.e. resilient floors, walls or interiors designed to minimise the impact of floodwater). Components may require unspecialized cleaning and/or drying.	0
Some damage is expected in the medium-long term, particularly if components are subjected to continuous exposure to water.	25
Some damage is expected in the short-medium term, although affected components will likely be fully recoverable.	50
Significant damage is expected in the short term. Affected components will likely be only partially recoverable.	75
Extensive damage is expected in the short term. Affected components will likely not be recoverable.	100

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How a indicator-based method works?

(Illustrative example no.2 for I_{FL6} (β))

Susceptibility Index	Percentage area of openings with respect to the worst-case façade.			Any type of permanent protection (e.g. locked with fully watertight seal, catches, hinges, double glass)		The hypothetical water depth reaches the bottom of the window	
	<25%	25-50%	>50%	YES	NO	YES	NO
0							X
25				X			
50	X				X	X	
75		X			X	X	
100			X		X	X	

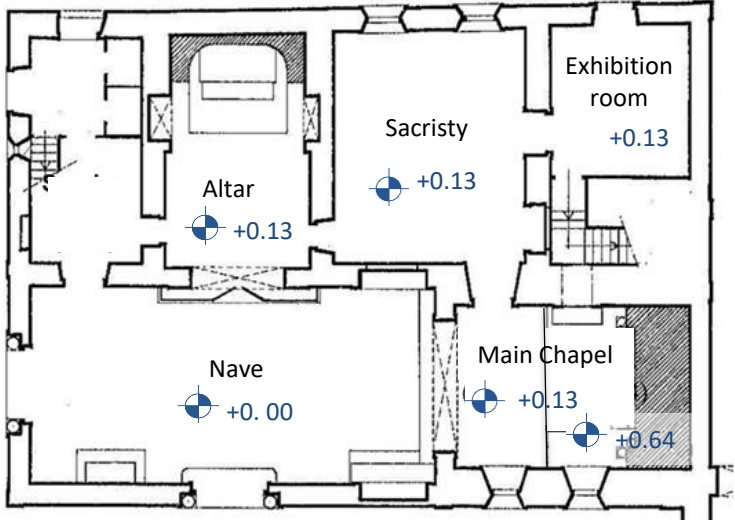


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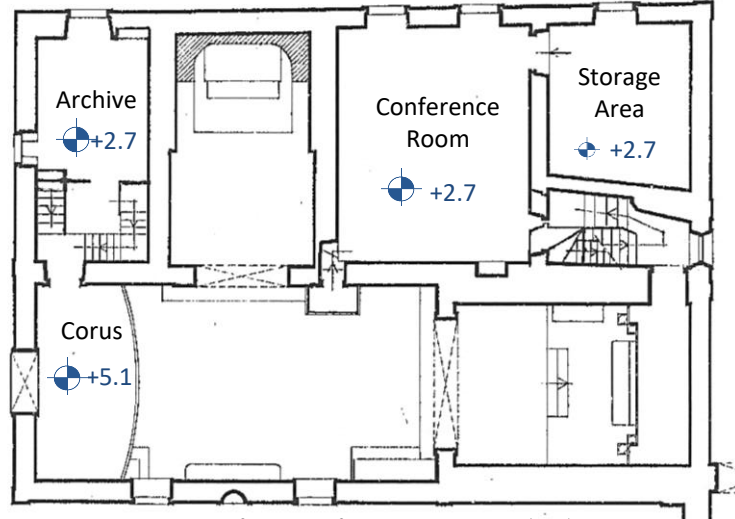
Multi-Attribute Scoring Criteria

Flood Vulnerability Indicators	SI (Susceptibility Indices)							W
I_{FL1} . Vertical Support Materials	Mean values	from	minimum	0	to	maximum	100	0.3
I_{FL2} . Material of Inter-storeys (β)	Mean values	from	minimum	0	to	maximum	100	
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I_{FL4} . Movable heritage content	Mean values	from	minimum	0	to	maximum	100	
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I_{FL6} . Openings (β)	0	25		50		75	100	0.3
I_{FL7} . Conservation State	0	25		50		75	100	
I_{FL8} . Vertical structure envelope (β)	0						100	
I_{FL9} . Roof	0	20	40		60	80	100	0.2
I_{FL10} . Foundation and soil	0		35		70		100	
I_{FL11} . Flood preparedness plan	0			50			100	0.2
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I_{FL14} . Utilities and appliances (β)	0		35		70		100	0.2
I_{FL15} . Vegetation	0		50				100	
I_{FL16} . Inclination and type of ground surface	0		50				100	0.2
I_{FL17} . Permeability of the surface	0	15	30	45	60	75	100	
I_{FL18} . Closeness to a slope	0						100	
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Ground Floor plan (m)



Plan View First Floor (m)

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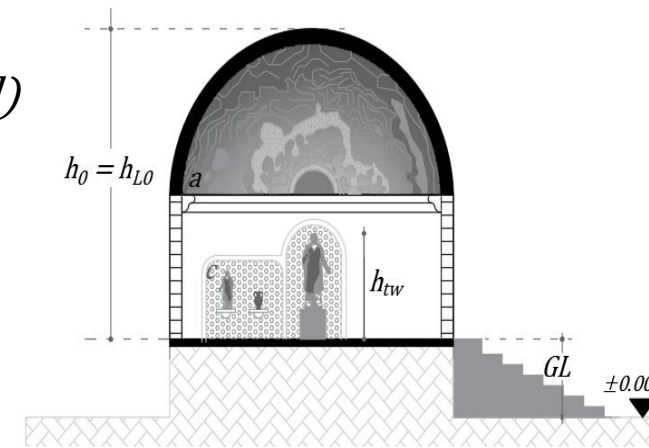
Parameters considered to model the curve	
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h_0	9.6 m
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Z_b	0 (no basement)
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h_{tw}	3 m
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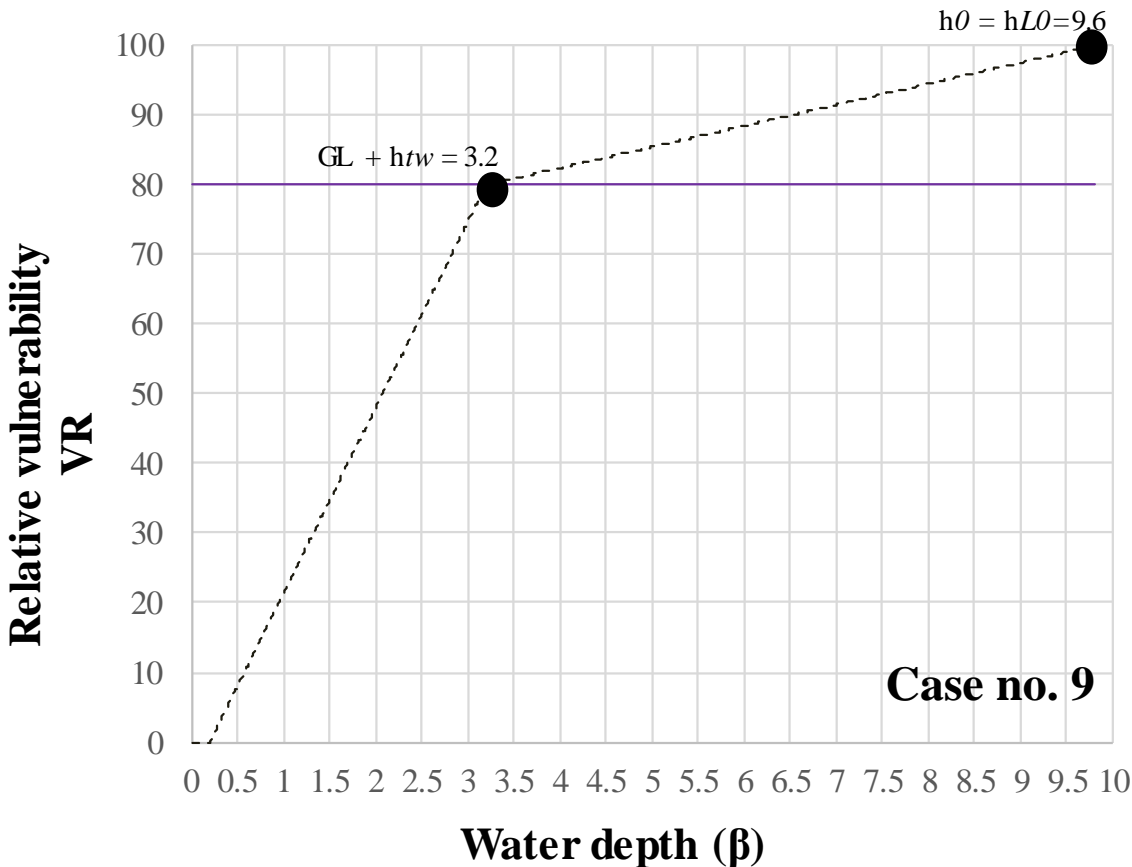
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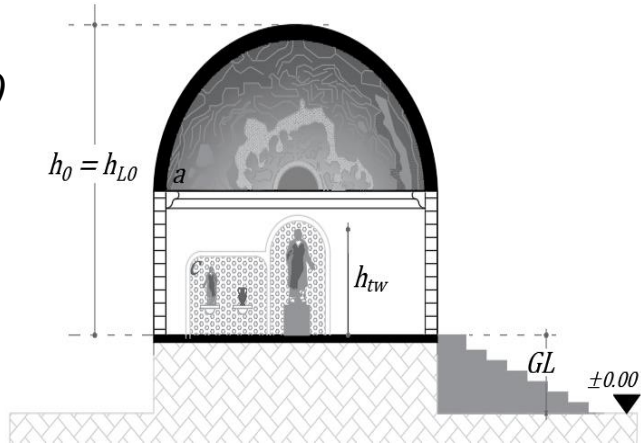
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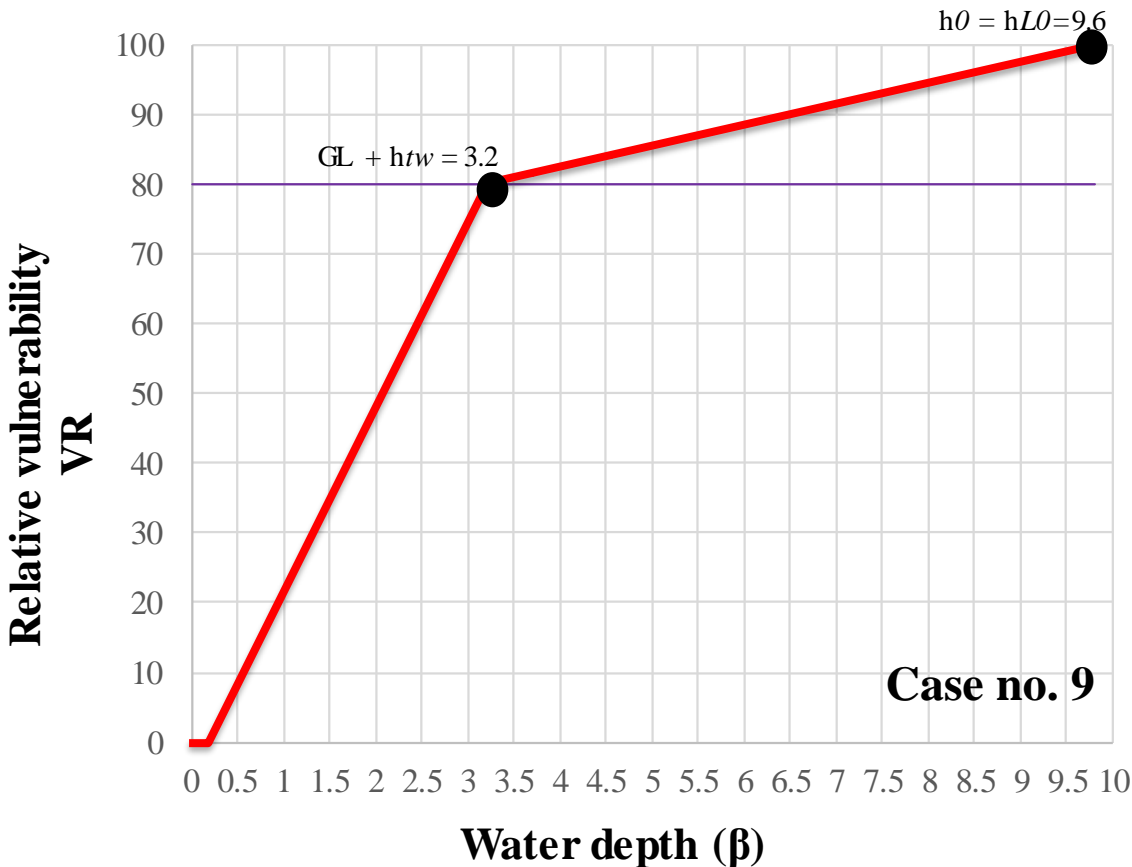
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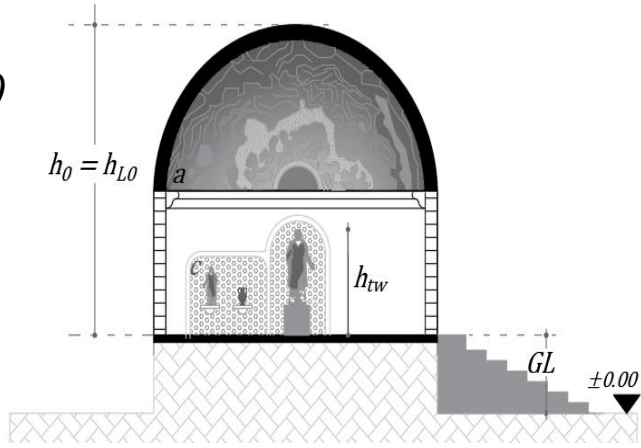
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Susceptibility Index outcomes for each flood vulnerability indicator at associated heights/water depths



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I _{FL11} – Flood preparedness plan	70	70	70			
I _{FL12} – Drainage system	100	100	100	13.50	18.50	18.50
I _{FL13} – Drying systems	100	100	100			
I _{FL14} (β) – Utilities and appliances(0.7)*	0	100	100			
I _{FL15} – Vegetation	100	100	100			
I _{FL16} – Inclination and type of ground surface	50	50	50	9.00	9.00	9.00
I _{FL17} – Permeability of the surface	30	30	30			
I _{FL18} – Closeness to a slope	0	0	0			
TOTAL (VI _{FL})				31.79	46.79	51.07

Final weights for each category

*These indicators considers the water depth (β) for the flood vulnerability assessment. The value of β considered in this evaluation that follows the instructions of Section 4 and may influence the damage impact is referred in “()”, in metres.

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Flood Vulnerability Index (e.g. of three different water depths - β)

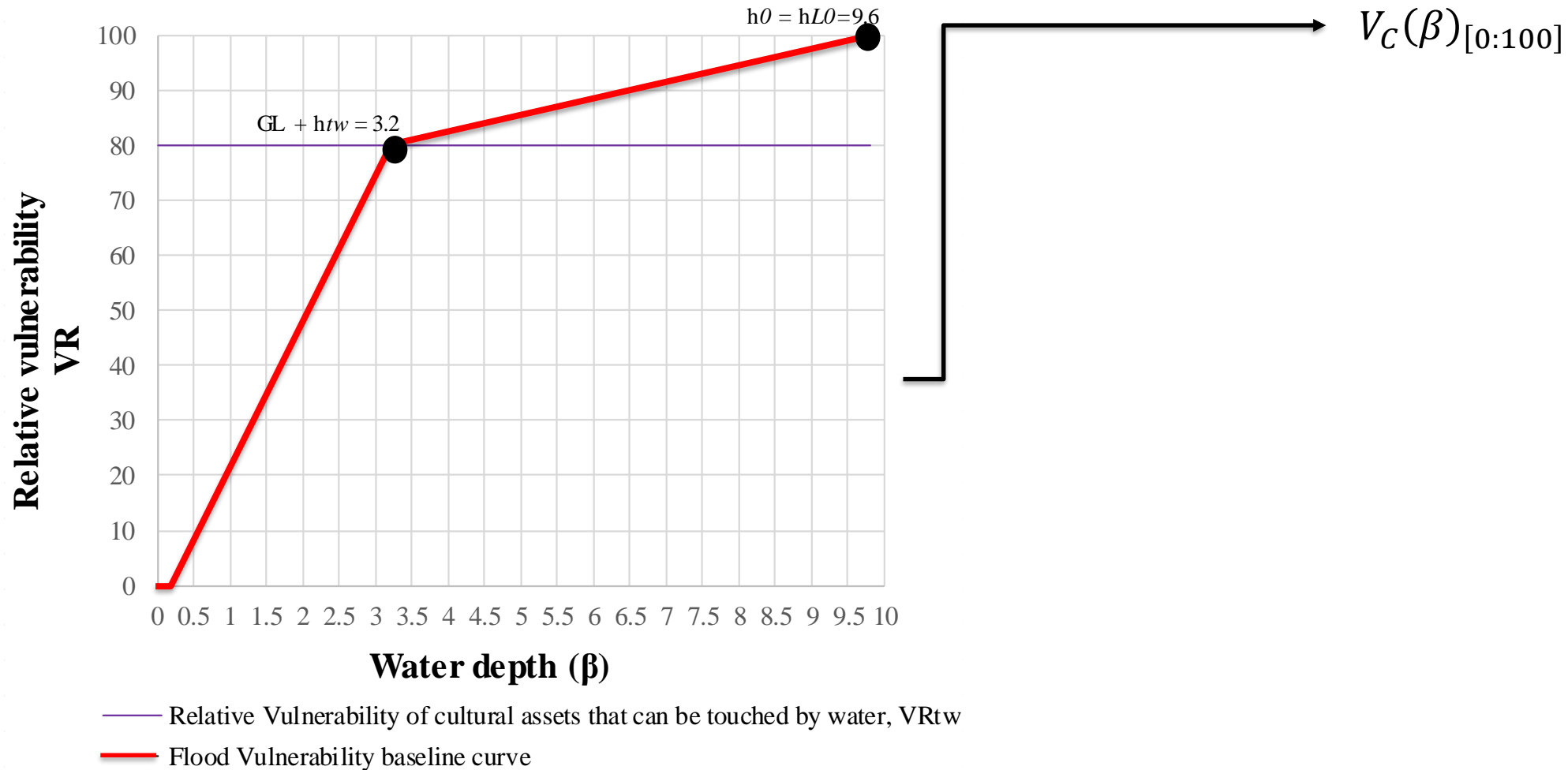
Indicator	Susceptibility Indices (SI) at different water depths (β) in m.			$(\frac{\sum SI_i}{n}) * W_i$		
	$\beta=0.23$	$\beta=0.73$	$\beta=1.43$	$\beta=0.23$	$\beta=0.73$	$\beta=1.43$
I _{FL1} – Vertical support materials	25	25	25			
I _{FL2} (β) – Material of inter-storey floors (4.5)*	0	0	0			
I _{FL3} – Finishings and linings	43.75	43.75	43.75			
I _{FL4} – Movable heritage content	66.67	66.67	66.67	9.29	9.29	13.57
I _{FL5} – Attached artwork	31.25	31.25	31.25			
I _{FL6} (β) – Openings (1.1)*	0	0	100			
I _{FL7} – Conservation state	50	50	50			
I _{FL8} (β) – Vertical structure envelope(0.61)*	0	100	100			
I _{FL9} – Roof	0	0	0	0.00	10.00	10.00
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Final Flood Vulnerability Index(VI_{FL}) at different height/water depth

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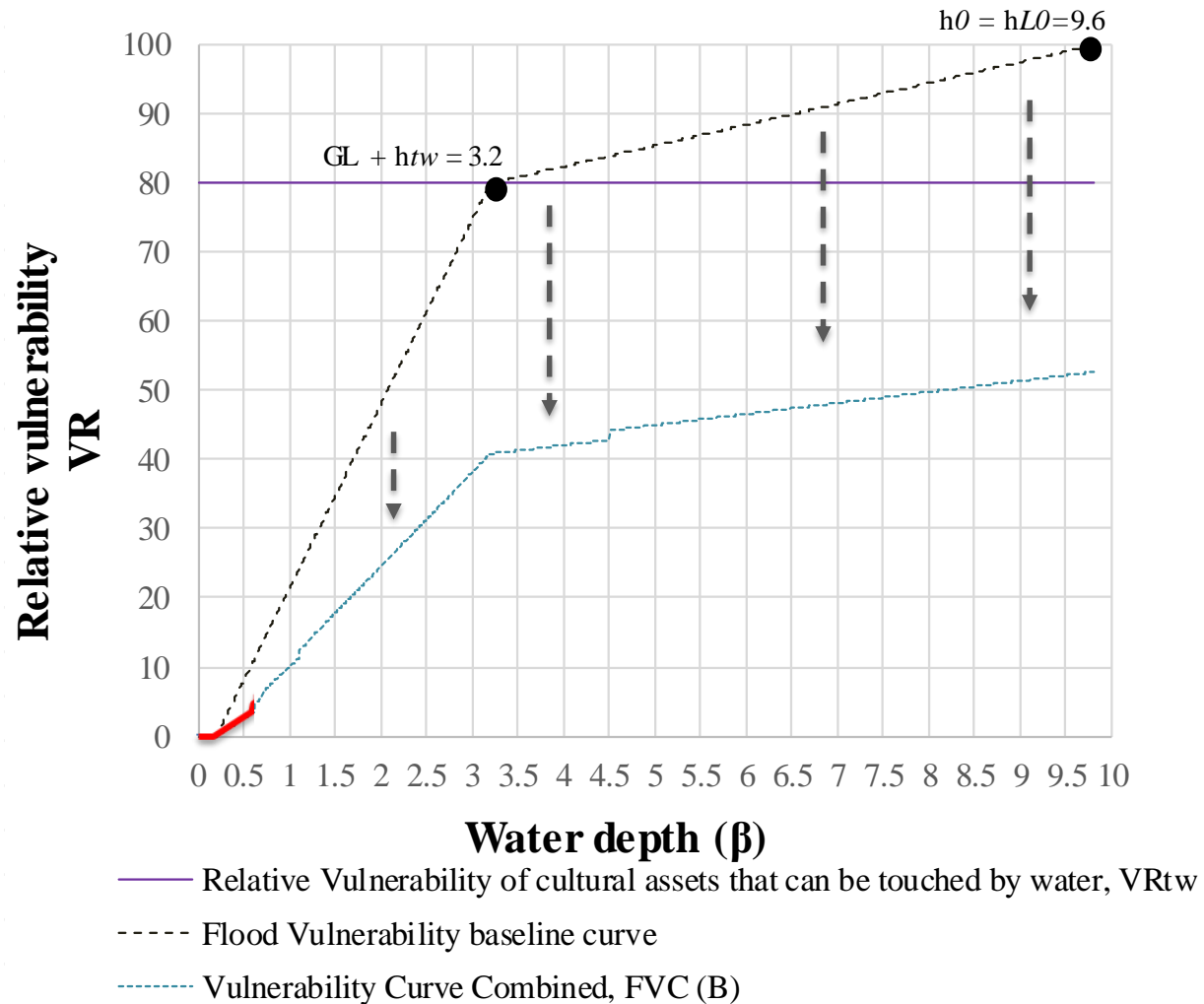
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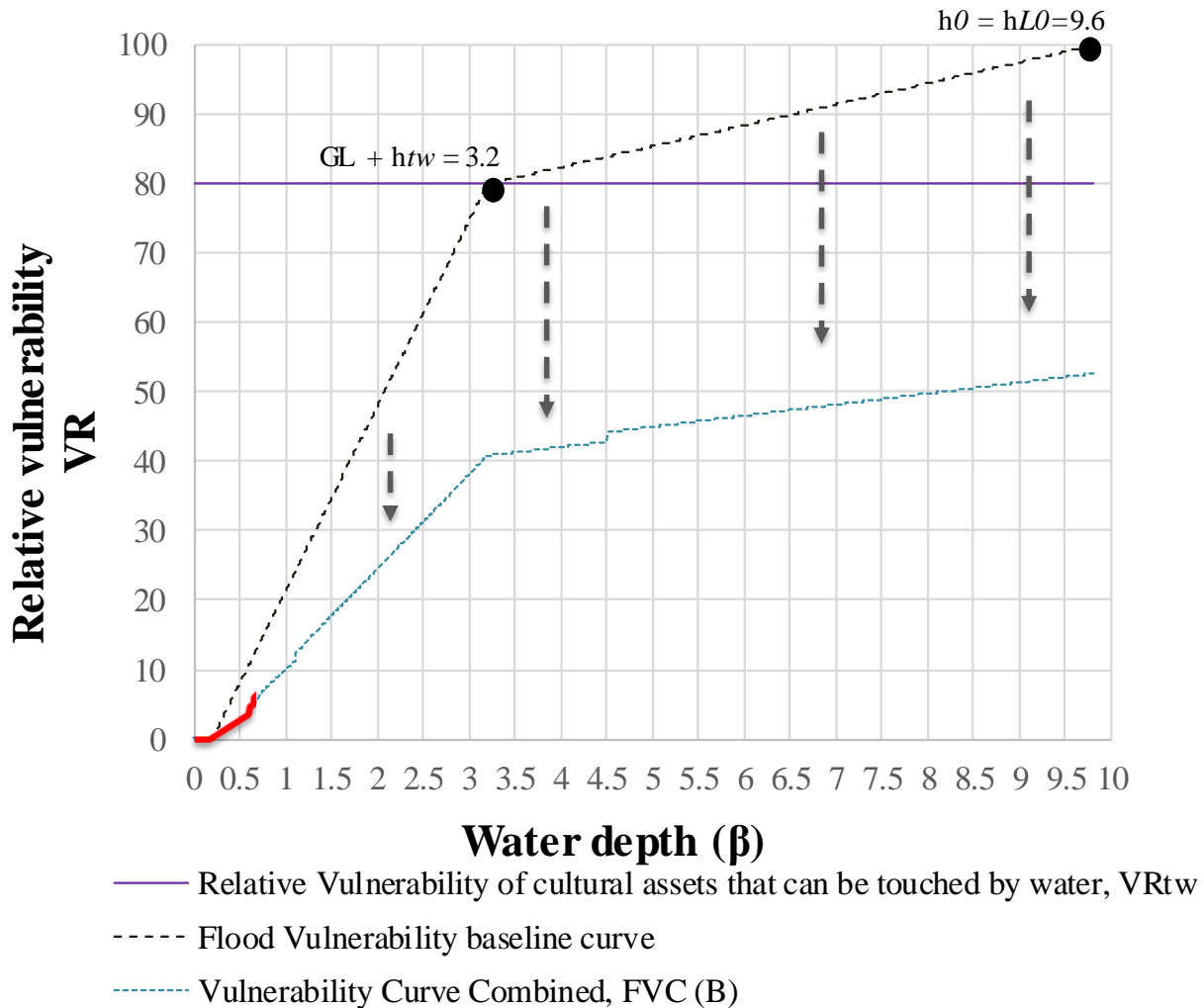


$$FVC(\beta)_{[0:100]} = V_C(\beta)_{[0:100]} \times \left(\frac{VI_{FL}}{100}\right)_{[0:1]}$$

$$FVC(\beta < 0.61)_{[0:100]} = V_C(\beta)_{[0:100]} \times \left(\frac{31.79}{100}\right)_{[0:1]}$$

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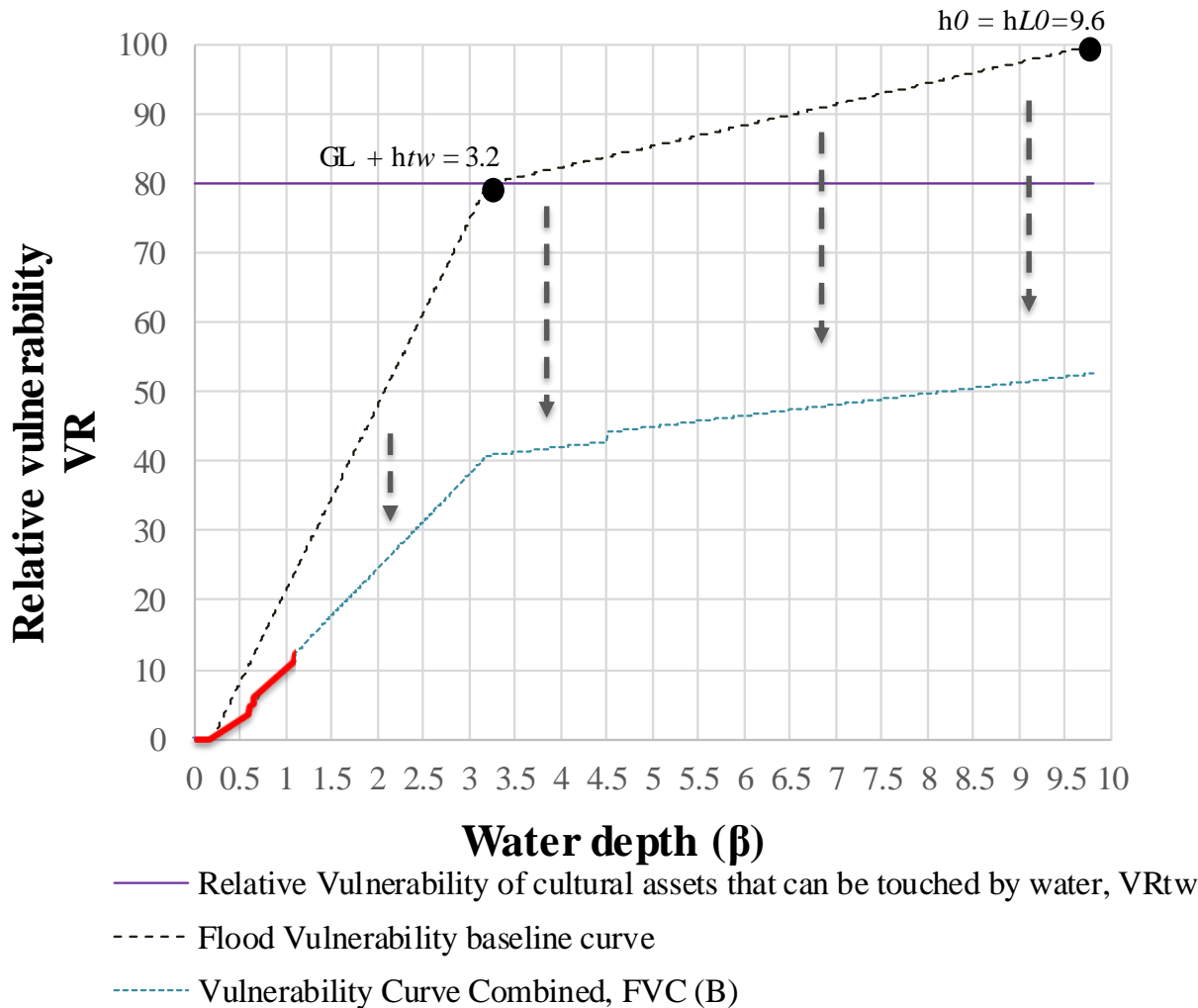
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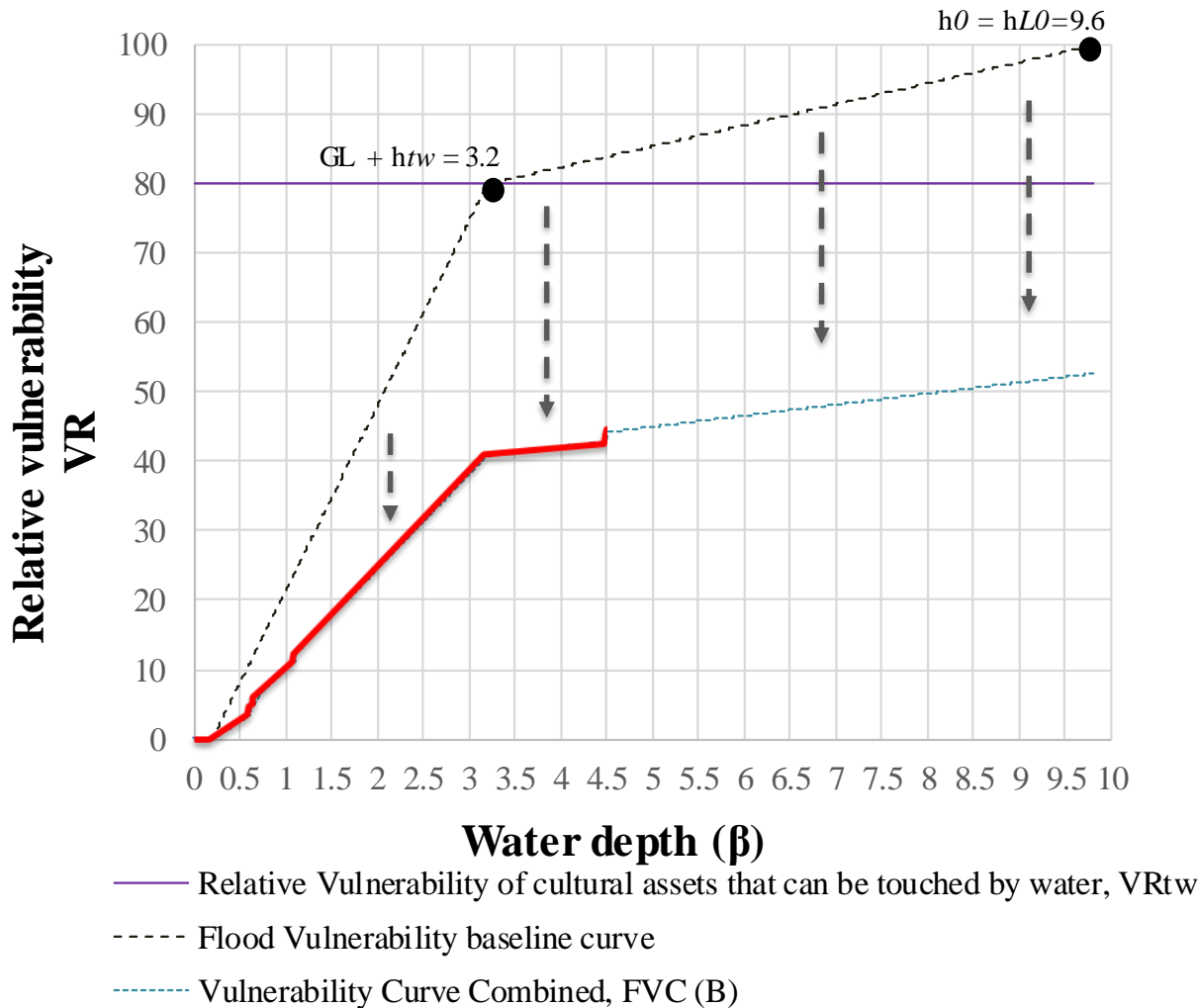
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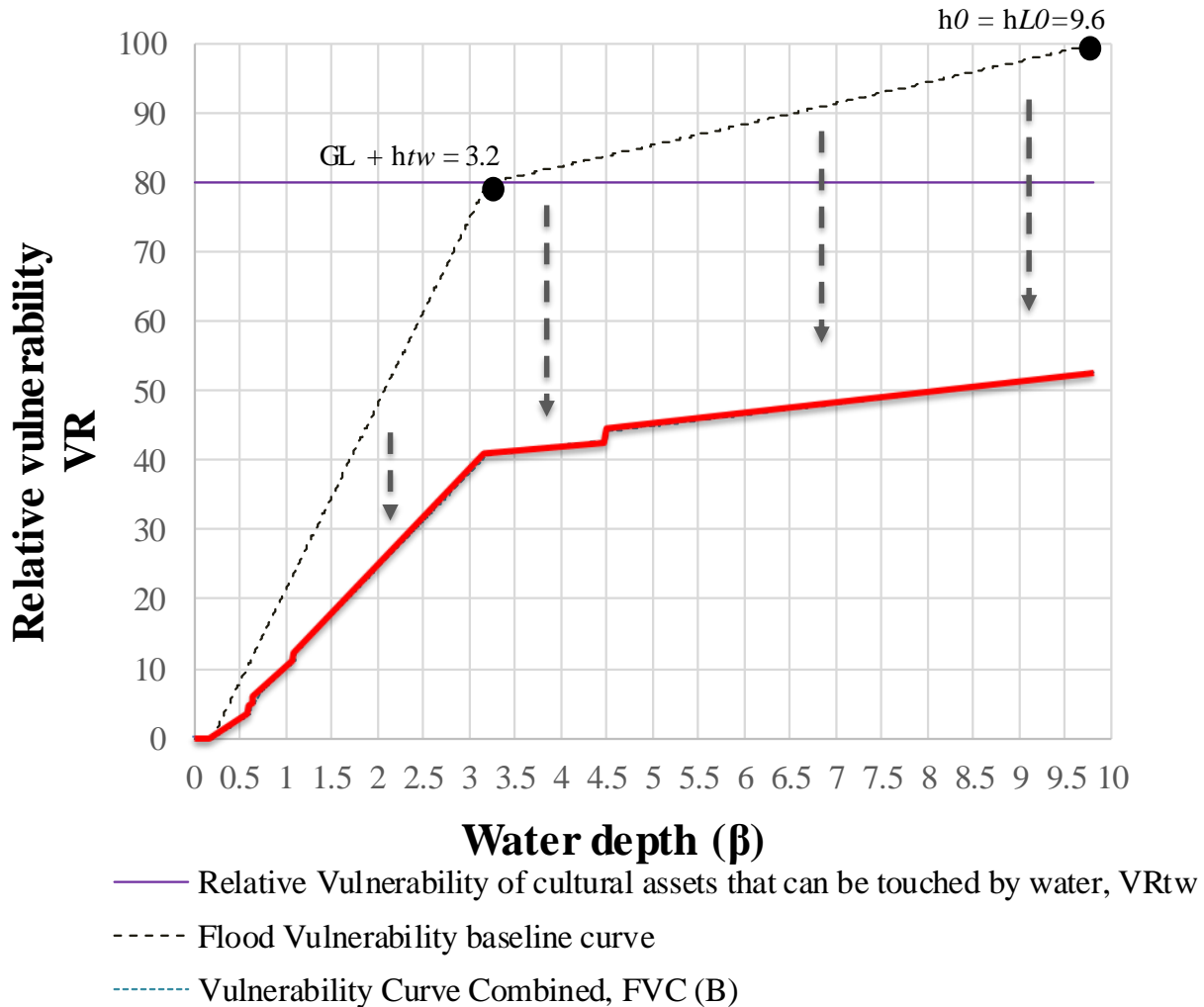
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$$FVC(1.1 \leq \beta < 4.5)_{[0:100]} = V_C(\beta)_{[0:100]} \times \left(\frac{51.07}{100}\right)_{[0:1]}$$

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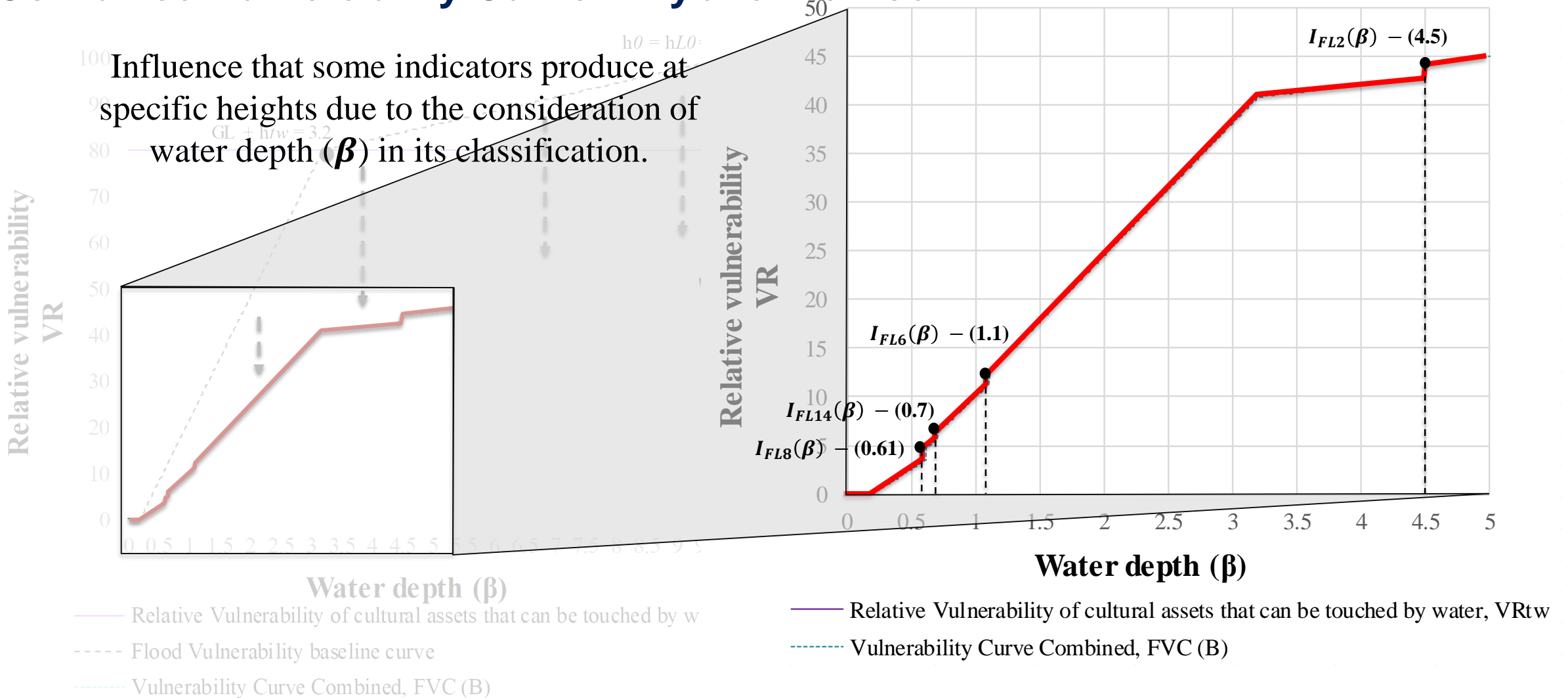
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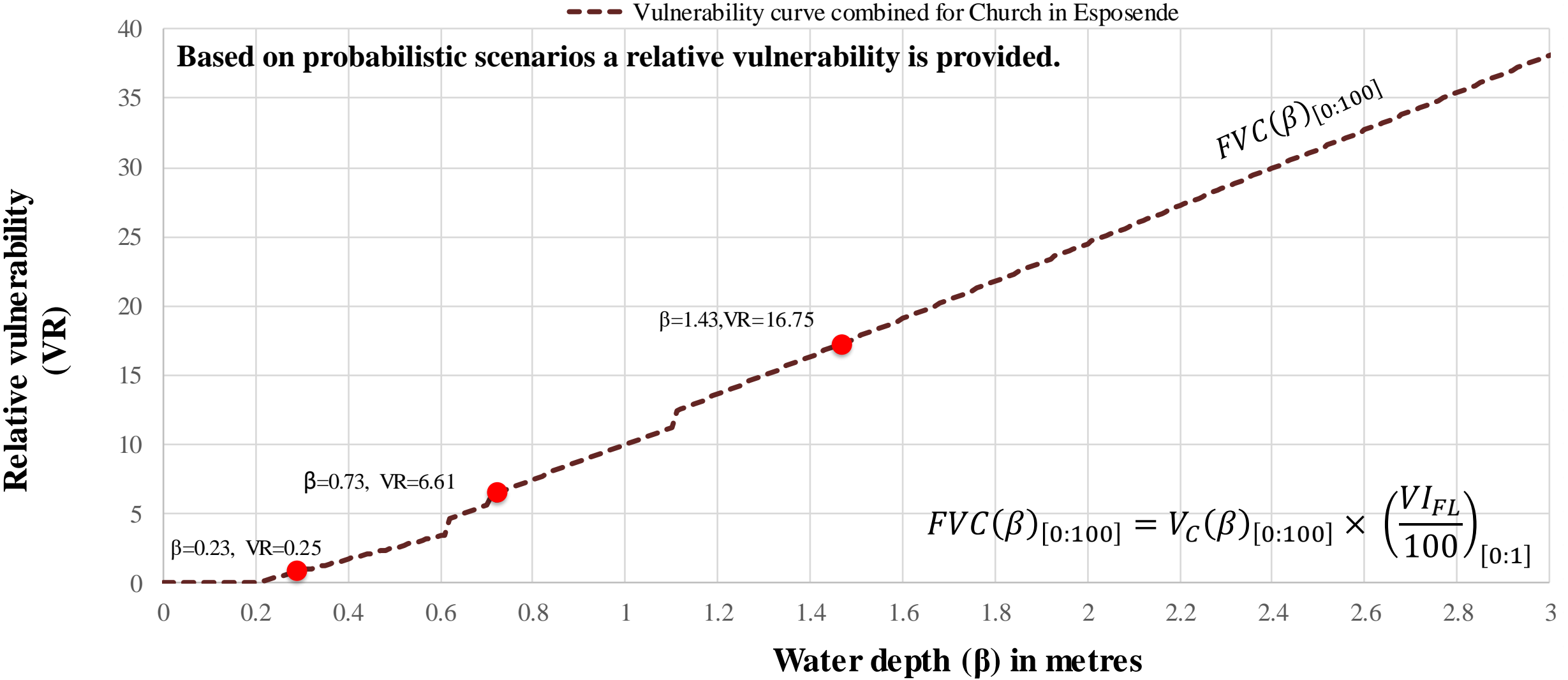
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Ongoing Work- Development of Seismic Vulnerability Assessment in Cultural Heritage

Seismic Vulnerability Indicators (SVIs)

Structural Building System

SVI-1 Type of resisting system

SVI-2 Quality of the resisting system

SVI-3 Number of floors / height

SVI-4 Foundations and soil

SVI-5 Inter-storey systems

SVI-6 Interaction between the roof and vertical systems

Irregularities and Global Interaction

SVI-7 Construction position in an aggregate and interaction with surrounding constructions

SVI-8 Regularity in height

SVI-9 Façade consideration and alignments

SVI-10 Plan configuration

Conservation status, structural alterations and non structural elements

SVI-11 Fragilities and conservation state

SVI-12 Structural alterations

SVI-13 Non-structural elements

Preventive Measures

SVI-14 Cultural Value: social, economic, political or institutional

SVI-15 Protection of artwork (movable or immovable) cultural heritage

SVI-16 Emergency Preparedness

Research Products and Future Tasks

Conference papers (21/22)

- **F. Salazar, L. G., Romão, X., Paupério, E. Survey of Vulnerability Indicators for Fire Risk Assessment in Cultural Heritage. 2nd International Conference on Urban Risks ICUR 2022, Lisbon, Portugal.**
- **F. Salazar, L. G., Figueiredo, R., Romão, X. Survey of Vulnerability Indicators for Flood Risk Assessment in Cultural Heritage. 2nd International Conference on Urban Risks ICUR 2022, Lisbon, Portugal.**
- **F. Salazar, L. G., Romão, X., Paupério, E. Development of a Fire Damage Index for Immovable Cultural Heritage. 12th International Conference on Structural Analysis of Historical Constructions SAHC 2021, Barcelona, Spain. DOI: 10.23967/sahc.2021.077**
- **Tikhonova, O., Romão, X., & Salazar, G. The use of GIS tools for data collection and processing in the context of fire risk assessment in urban cultural heritage. International Conference of Young Professionals «GeoTerrace-2021» (Vol. 2021, No. 1, pp. 1-5). European Association of Geoscientists & Engineers, Lviv, Ukraine. <https://doi.org/10.3997/2214-4609.20215K3048>**

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Ongoing Research Articles (22/23)

- **Fire** Damage Index for Vulnerability Assessment in Cultural Heritage
- Performance of **Fire** Vulnerability Assessment Method in Historic Centre of Guimarães
- Review of Vulnerability Indicators for **Flood** Risk Assessment in Cultural Heritage
- Hybrid **Flood** Vulnerability Assessment for Historic Buildings and their valuable content

Future Tasks (22/23)

- Development of a Simplified Seismic Vulnerability Assessment in Cultural Heritage using different data sources (e.g. Remote Sensing)
- Brief discussion of multi-risk/multi-hazard/multi-vulnerability assessment in cultural heritage

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