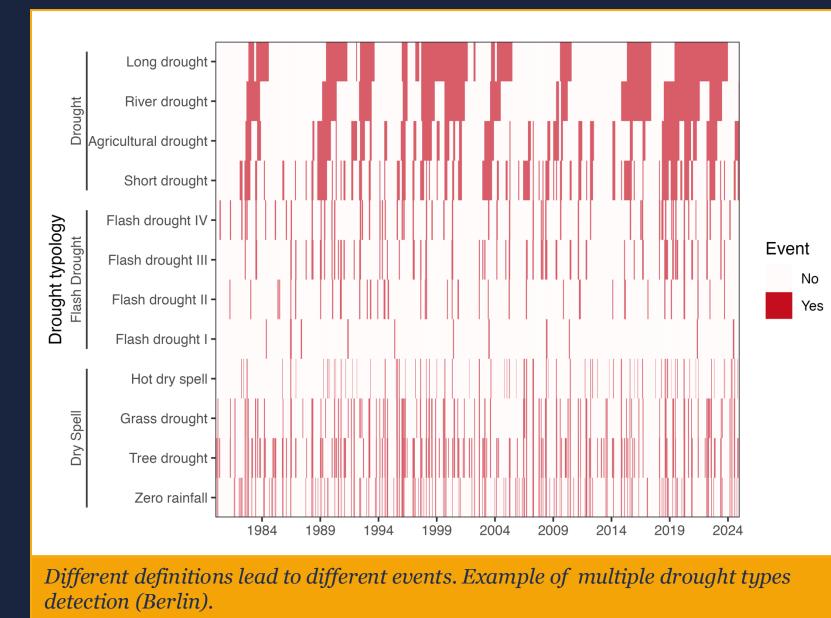
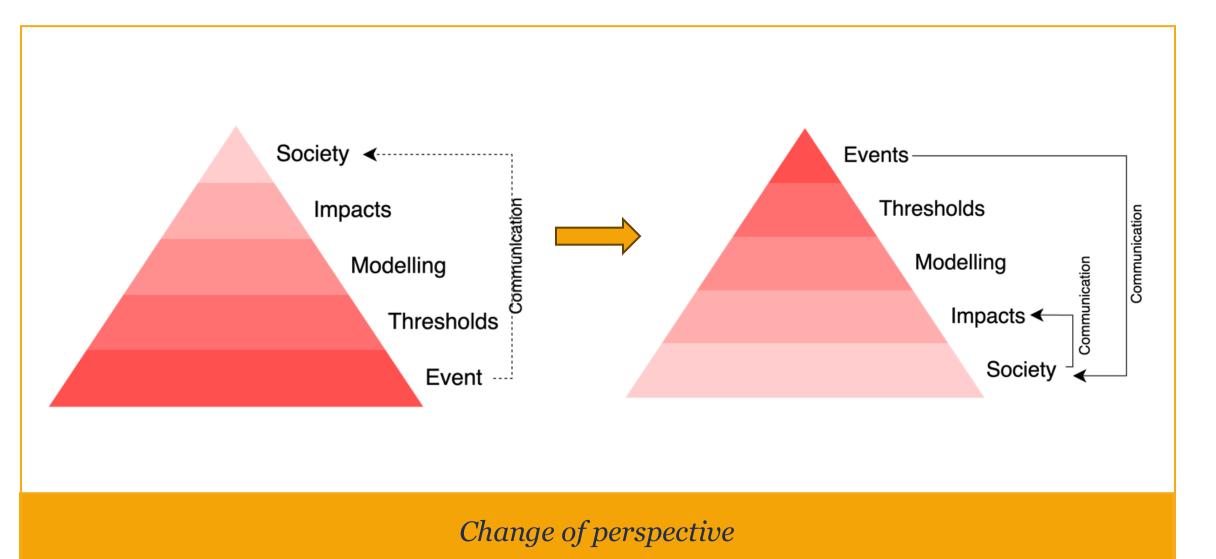
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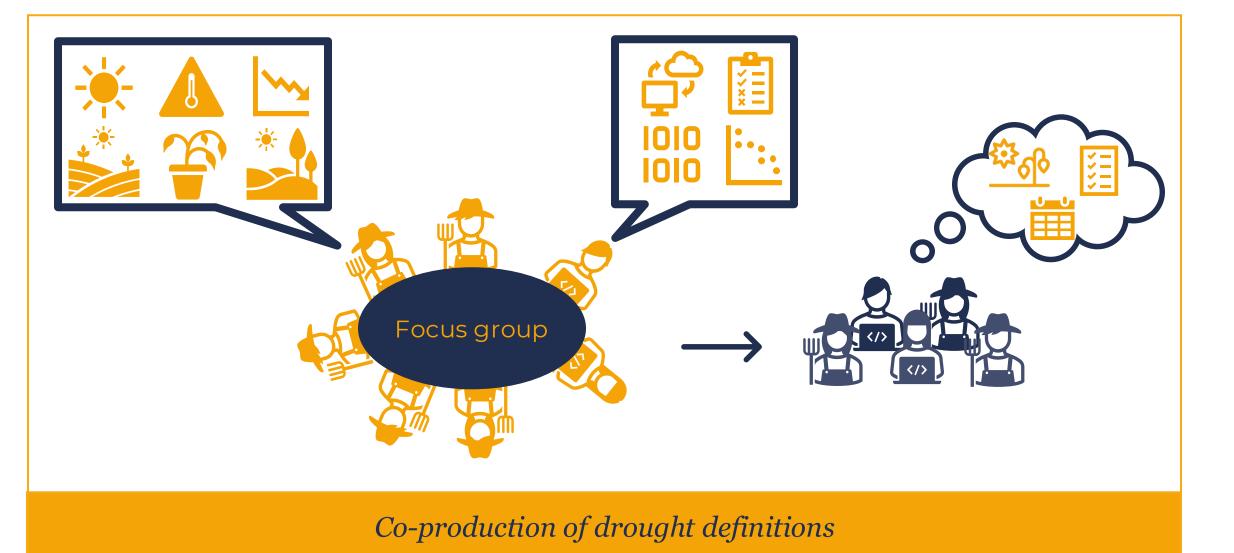
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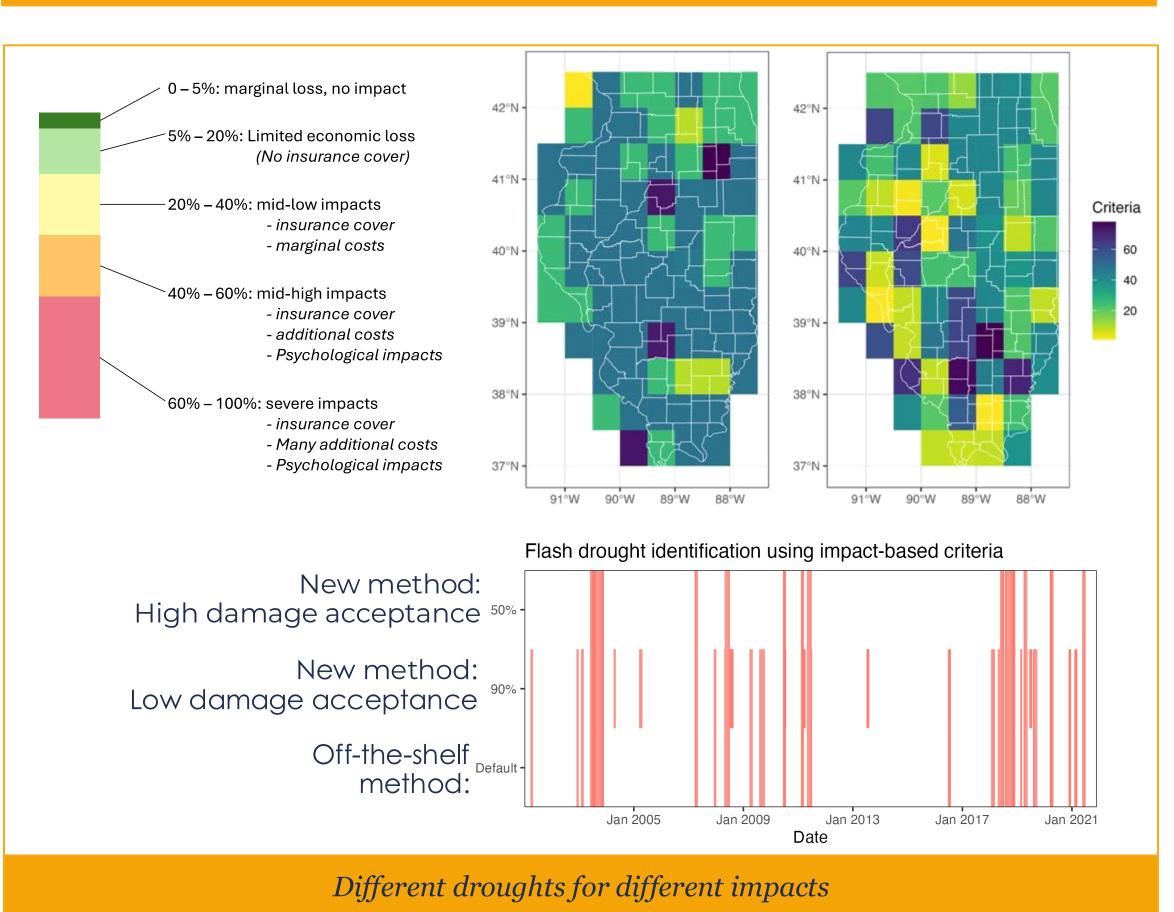




- Assessing **impact** should be a starting point to defining droughts
- The **source** of impact information is society
- Definition, modelling and analysis are a consequence of drought impact definition



- We implemented the methodology in **Illinois**
- A focus group with farmers of all state during the Illinois Farm Bureau Annual Meeting
- Assessed drought impact perception



<u>Advantages</u>

- Increase drought monitoring effectiveness
- Improve **impact** and risk assessment
- Strengthen communication with local communities
- Higher explainability of indexes











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