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## **Influence of alluvial slope on avulsion in river deltas**

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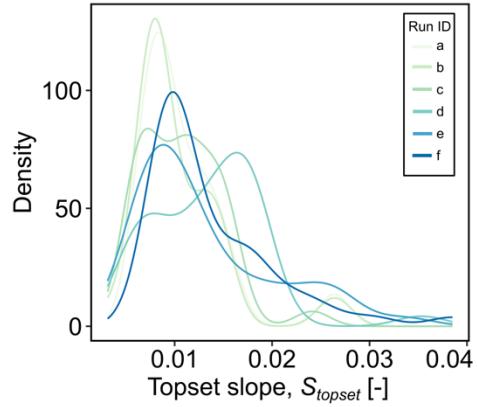
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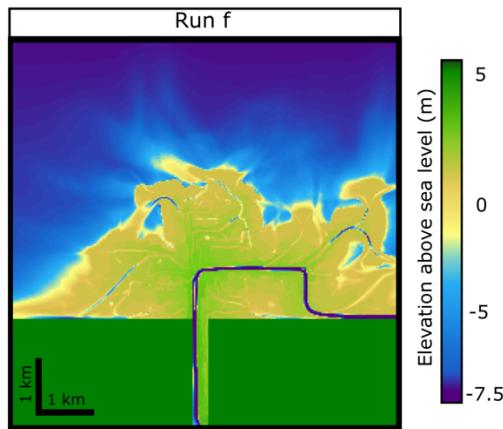
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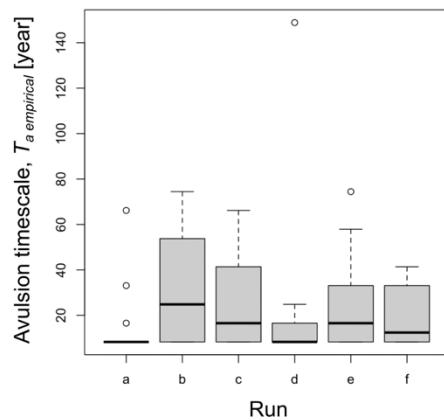
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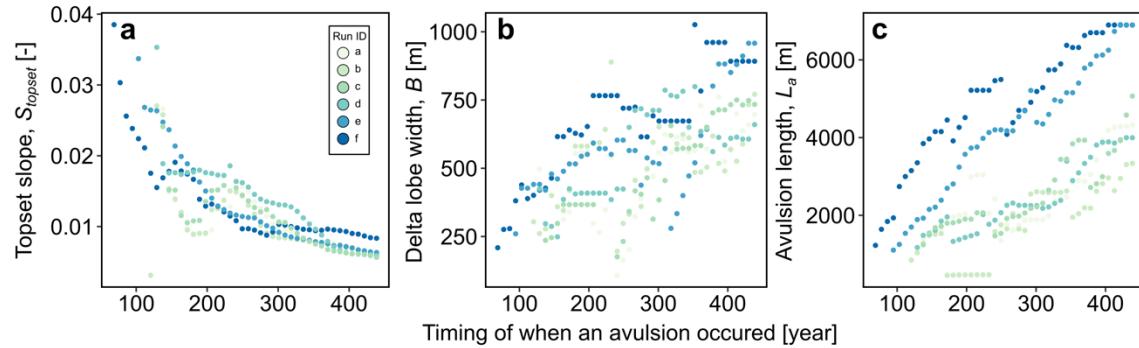
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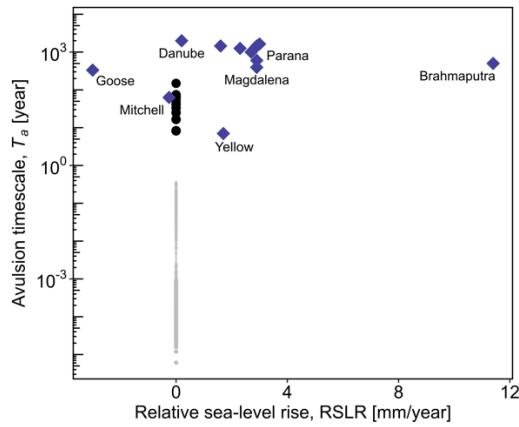
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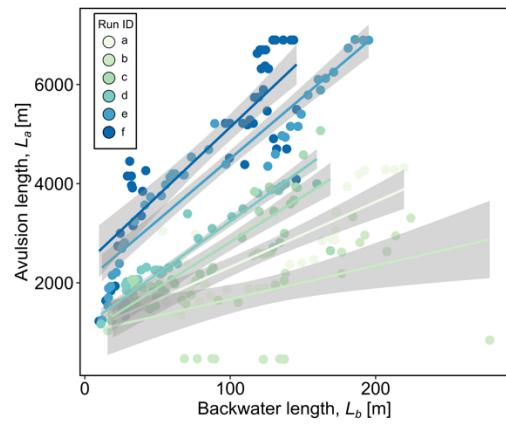
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**Figure S6.** Plot between avulsion length ( $L_a$ ) and backwater length produced from our model scenarios ( $L_b$ ) along with linear regression line for each scenario.



**Table S1.** Measured morphometric variables and avulsion timescales from our model (attached as Excel file).

**Table S2.** River delta avulsion timescales from natural and laboratory experiment collected from the literature.

ID	$h_c$ [m]	$B_c$ [m]	$Q_s$ [km <sup>3</sup> /y]	$H_b$ [m]	$L_a$ [km]	$\sigma^1$ [mm/y]	$B$ [km]	$N$ [-]	$v_a$ [m/yr]	$H$ [m]	$S_{topset}$ [-]	$T_a$ [year]	Source
Parana	11.8	1270	0.03	40	210	3	50.8	4	0.005	0.000 053	1633	Chadwick et al., 2020; Prasojo et al., 2022	
Danube	6.3	1250	0.025	50	95	0.2	50	4	0.0025	0.000 0119	1991	Chadwick et al., 2020; Prasojo et al., 2022	
Nile	16.2	240	0.045	120	210	4.5	9.6	4		0.000 0686		Chadwick et al., 2020; Prasojo et al., 2022	
Mississippi	21	650	0.15	80	490	2.3	26	4	0.01	0.000 0602	1250	Chadwick et al., 2020; Prasojo et al., 2022	
Assiniboine	4.2	100	0.00036	7	12		4	4	0.0014	4.2	0.000 5	1000	Chadwick et al., 2020; Jerolmack & Mohrig, 2007; Prasojo et al., 2022
Rhine-Meuse	5	700	0.0012	18	51	1.6	28	4	0.0016	0.000 11	1450	Chadwick et al., 2020; Prasojo et al., 2022	
Magdalena	6	1100	0.083	200	67	2.9	44	4	0.0038	6	0.000 0512	394.7	Chadwick et al., 2020; Jerolmack & Mohrig, 2007; Prasojo et al., 2022
Orinoco	8	2000	0.057	110	78	2.7	80	4	0.0021	0.000 0413	1000	Chadwick et al., 2020; Prasojo et al., 2022	
Mid-Amazon	12	3000	0.45	50	404	2.9	120	4	0.005	12	0.000 03	600	Chadwick et al., 2020; Jerolmack & Mohrig, 2007; Prasojo et al., 2022
Upper-Rhone	5.4	377	0.012	70		2.9	15.08	4	0.002	5.9	0.000 382	1450	Chadwick et al., 2020; Prasojo et al., 2022
Yellow	3.5	500	0.42	30	31	1.7	20	4	0.1	0.000 0965	7	Chadwick et al., 2020; Prasojo et al., 2022	
Brahmaputra	7	3300	0.2	80		11.4	132	4	0.02	7	0.000 1	500	Chadwick et al., 2020; Prasojo et al., 2022
Goose	2	100	0.00013	10		-3	4	4	0.0019 8			333	Chadwick et al., 2020; Prasojo et al., 2022
Mitchell	7	100	0.0011	15		-0.25	4	4				63	Chadwick et al., 2020; Prasojo et al., 2022
Trinity	5	200	0.0023	8		4.2	8	4	0.0011				Chadwick et al., 2020; Prasojo et al., 2022

Okavango				0.000 19	100	Jerolmack & Mohrig, 2007; Prasojo et al., 2022
Gilbert	7	0.0007	6	0.000 06	1224. 4898	Jerolmack & Mohrig, 2007; Prasojo et al., 2022
Suwancee	3	0.001	3	0.000 07	1000	Jerolmack & Mohrig, 2007; Prasojo et al., 2022
McArthur	2	0.0005	5	0.000 06	5000	Jerolmack & Mohrig, 2007; Prasojo et al., 2022
Emerald Lake	1	3.65	0.3	0.035	0.08	Jerolmack & Mohrig, 2007; Prasojo et al., 2022
Fan						
Rolling Stone	1	0.63	0.1	0.006 4	0.16	Jerolmack & Mohrig, 2007; Prasojo et al., 2022
Fan						
XES 1999 Lab	9	17.52	0	0.06	0.000 05	Jerolmack & Mohrig, 2007; Prasojo et al., 2022
Fan Run 1,						
Stage 3						

<sup>1</sup>relative sea-level rise rate as the sum of the coastal subsidence rate and eustatic sea level rise rate. Please refer to the main text for the abbreviations on the header.

**Video S1.** Timelapse of bed level change, sediment concentration of cohesive and non-cohesive grain size throughout the simulation.