

Estimation of evapotranspiration and CO₂ fluxes through remote sensing in a Juniper tree ecosystem at the Doñana National Park

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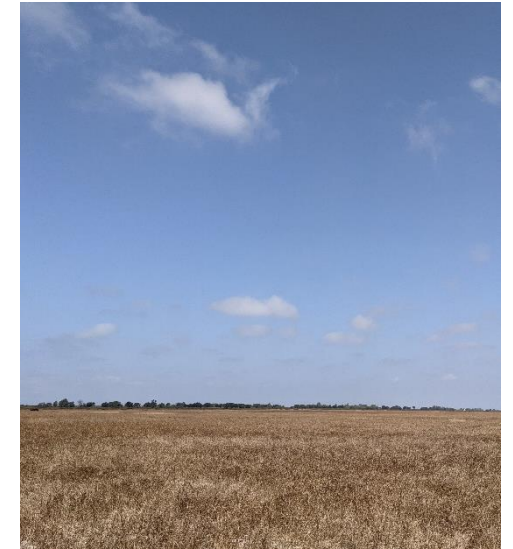
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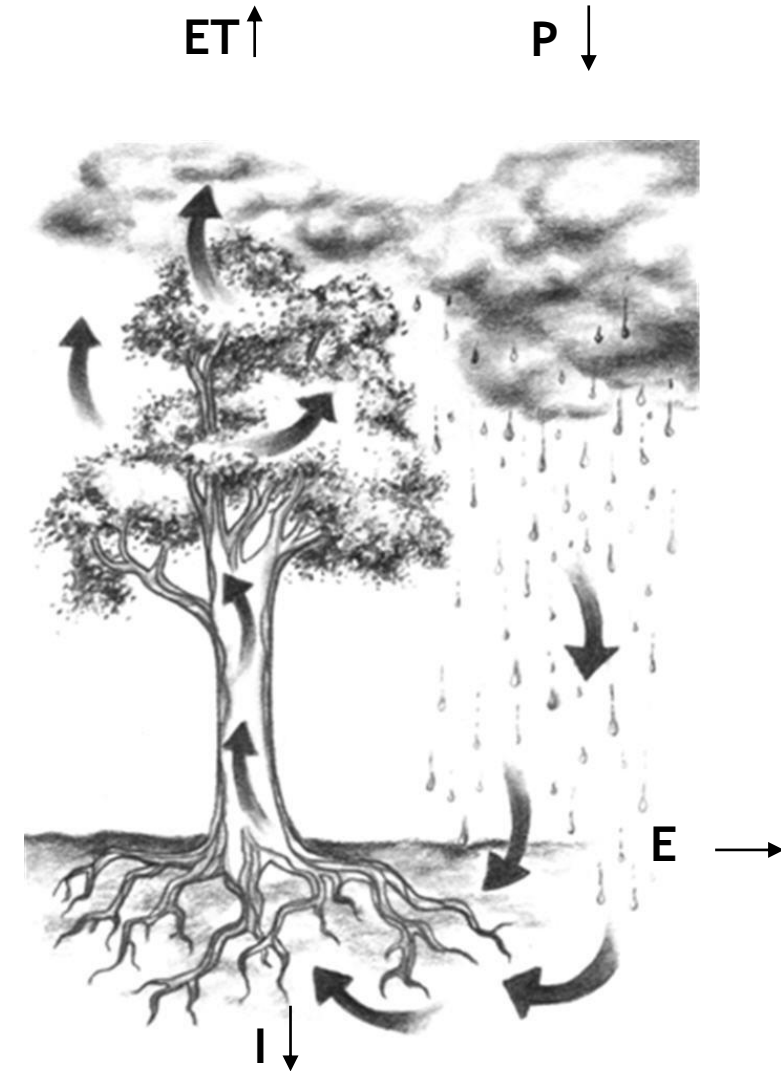
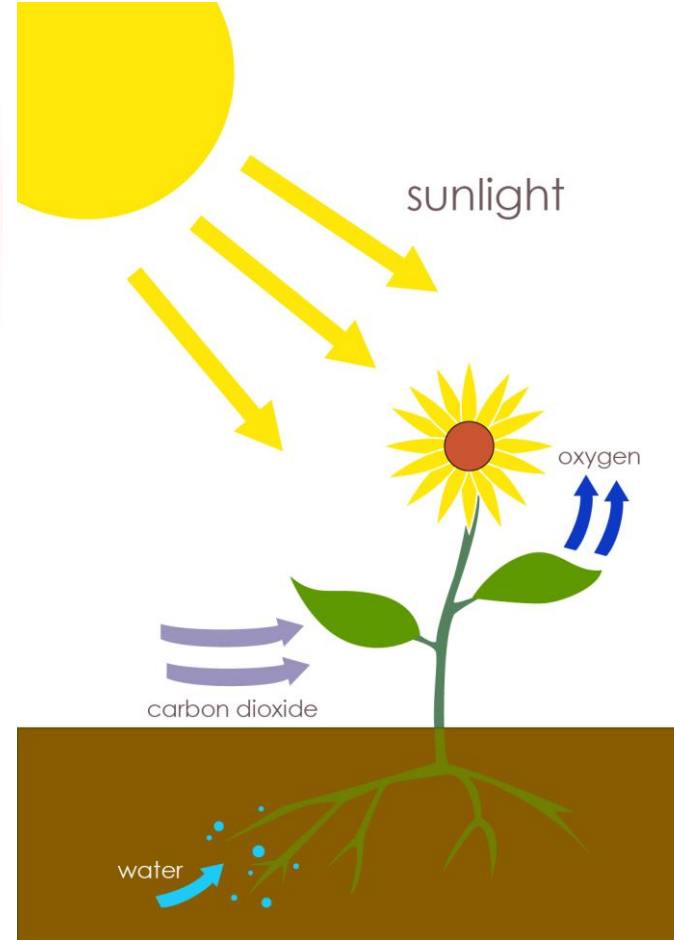
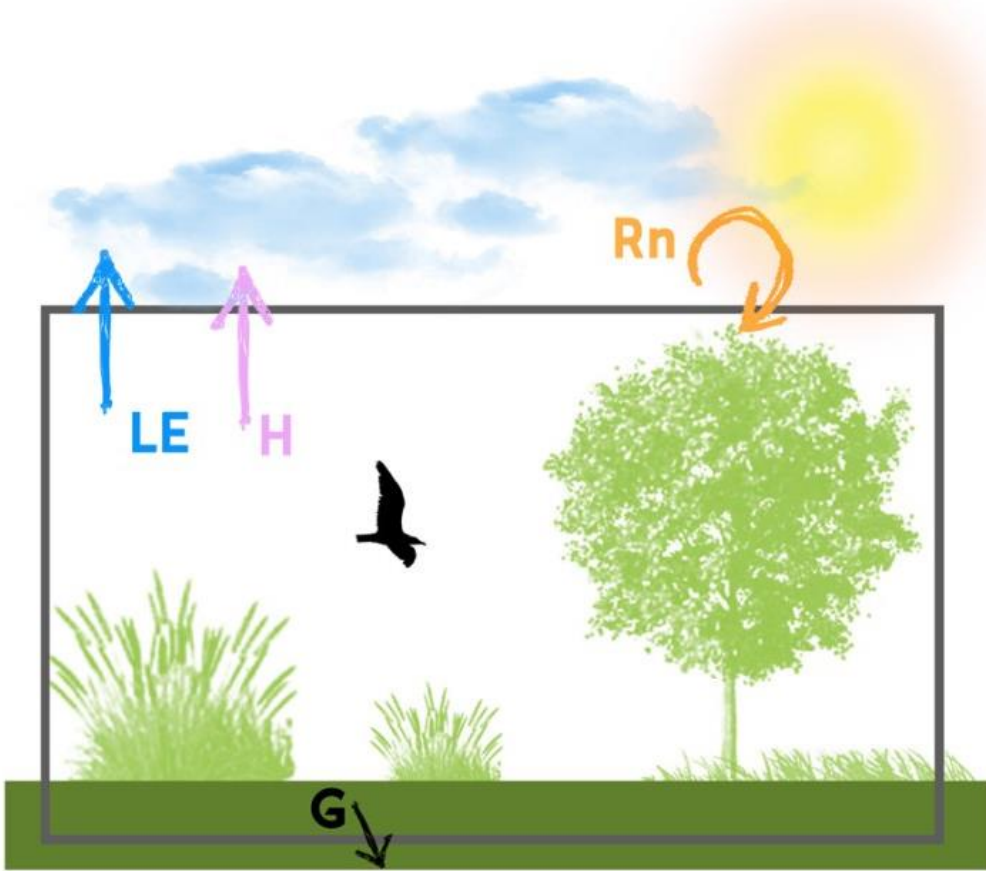
- National Park of Doñana
- The uniqueness lies in the great diversity of ecosystems and species
- Beaches and dunes, marshes, preserves (*Monte Blanco* and *Monte Negro*)



Introduction

WP6.2 SUMHAL:

→ Carbon, water and energy fluxes

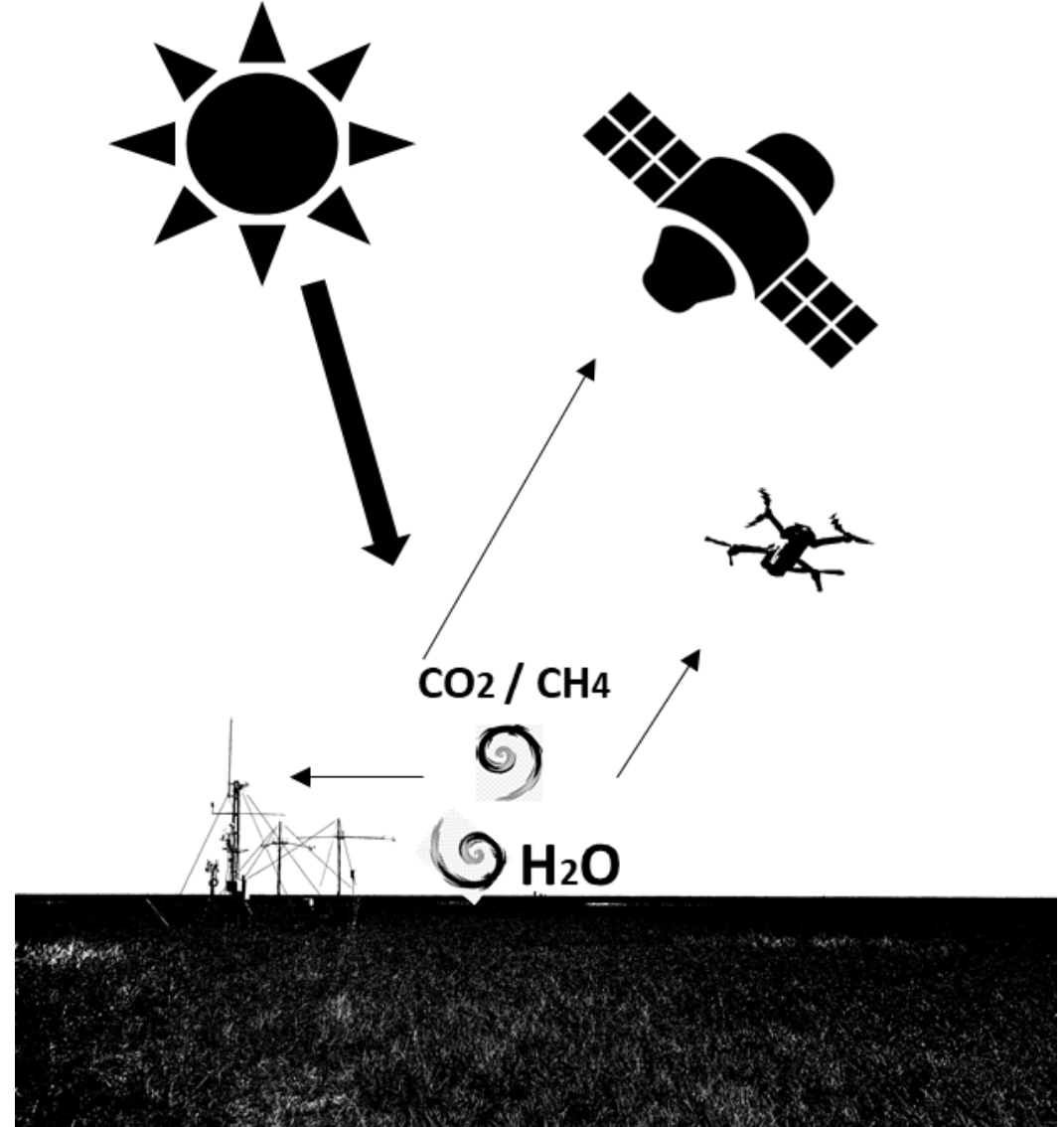


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Introduction

WP6.2 SUMHAL:

- Carbon, water and energy fluxes
- At different spatial and temporal scales



Introduction



→ First evaluation of the modeling of **water and energy fluxes** as well as **carbon assimilation** (Gross Primary Production, GPP) with flux tower data.

- Energy and water fluxes → **Two Sources Energy Balance** (TSEB) model
- GPP was done through a **Light Use Efficiency** (LUE) model

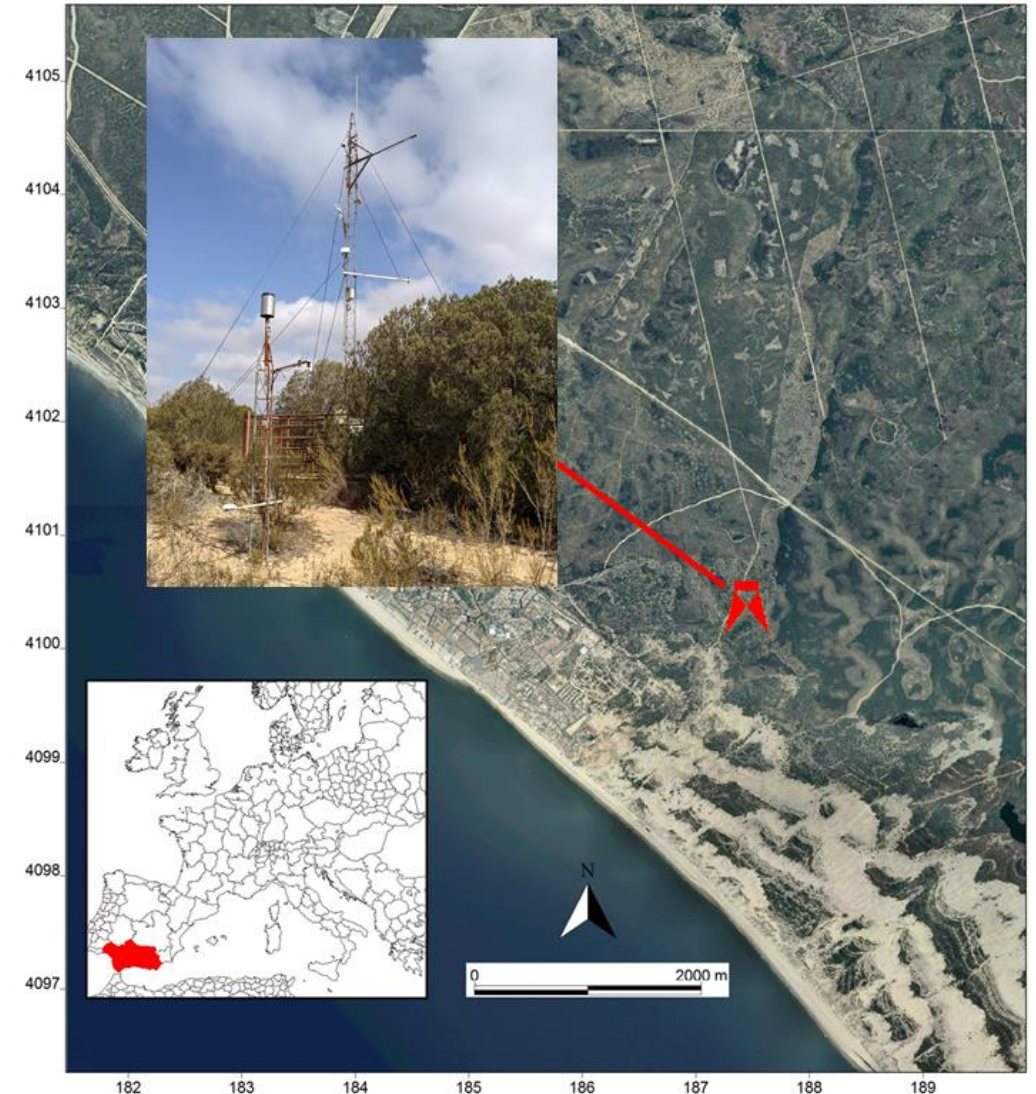
using Landsat-5 TM and Terra/Aqua MODIS images from 2014 to 2015 in an experimental plot of Juniper (*Juniperus phoenicea*) in the Doñana Biological Reserve.



Methodology

Study area and evaluation dataset

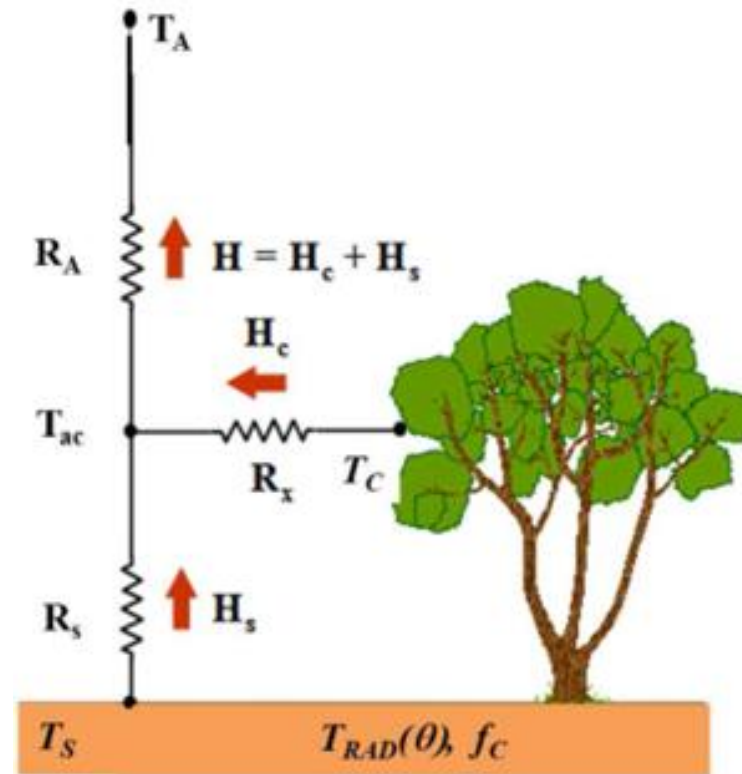
- ➔ Juniper tree ecosystem (*Juniperus phoenicea* ssp. *turbinata*) with stone pine (*Pinus pinea*) and sandy soil.
- ➔ Flux tower at 7,5 m height with instrumentation to measure Surface energy balance fluxes and CO₂ fluxes.
- ➔ Ancilliary instrumentaion with surface temperature and radiation sensors above junper tree and bare ground.



Methodology

Surface energy balance modelling

➔ TSEB model
(Two-Source
Energy Balance Model)



SENSIBLE HEAT FLUX

Norman and Kustas, et al. (1995)

System, soil, canopy budgets

$$R_n = H + \lambda E + G$$

$$R_{n,s} = H_s + \lambda E_s + G$$

$$R_{n,c} = H_c + \lambda E_c$$

Two-source approximation

$$T_{RAD}(\theta)^4 \sim f_c(\theta) T_C^4 + [1-f_c(\theta)] T_S^4$$

Temperature constraint

$$H_c, H_s, R_{n,c}, R_{n,s}, G$$

PT, PM or LUE R_c model

$$\lambda E_c$$

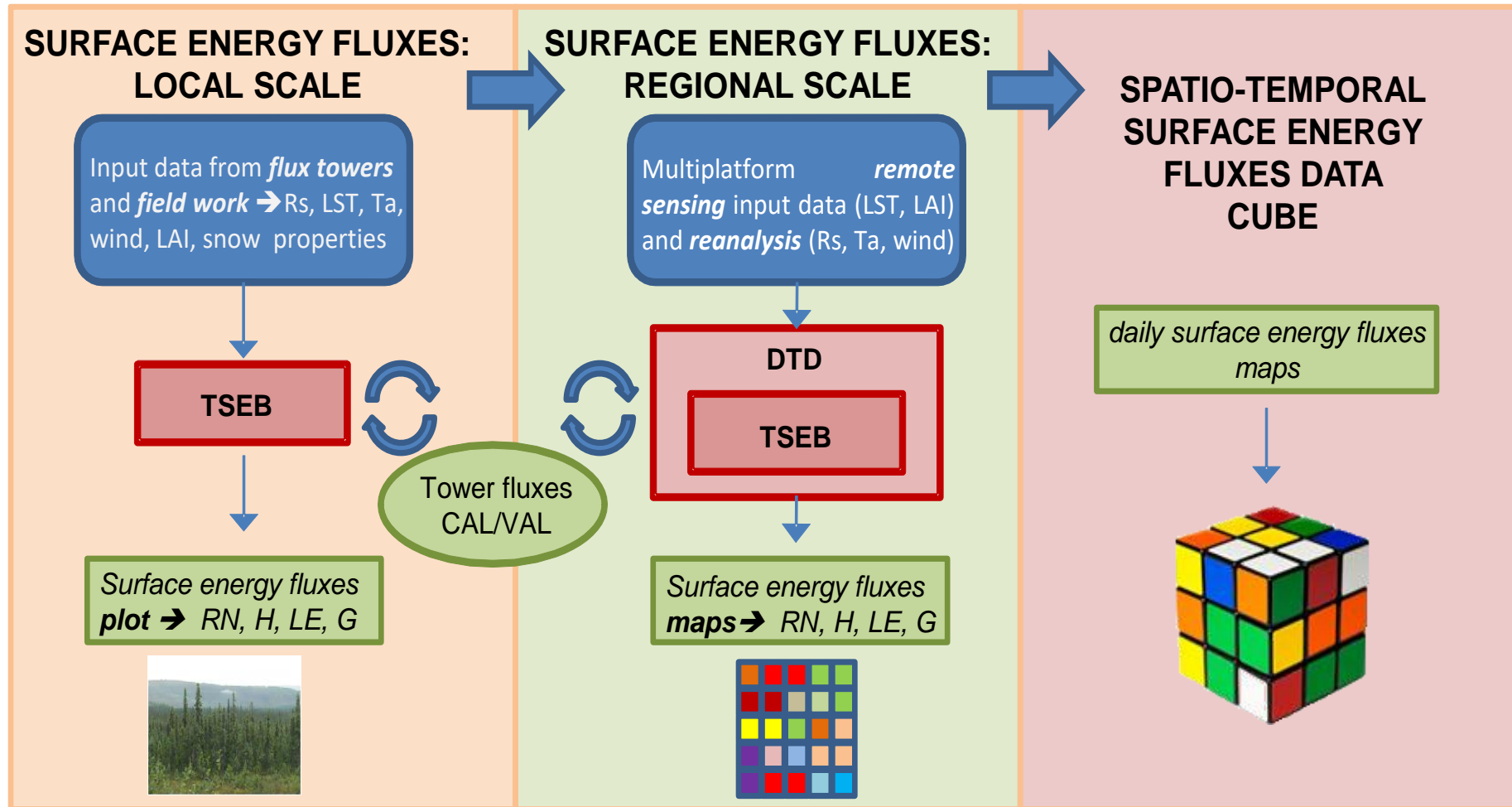
Residual

$$\lambda E_s = R_n - H - G - \lambda E_c$$

Iterative solution

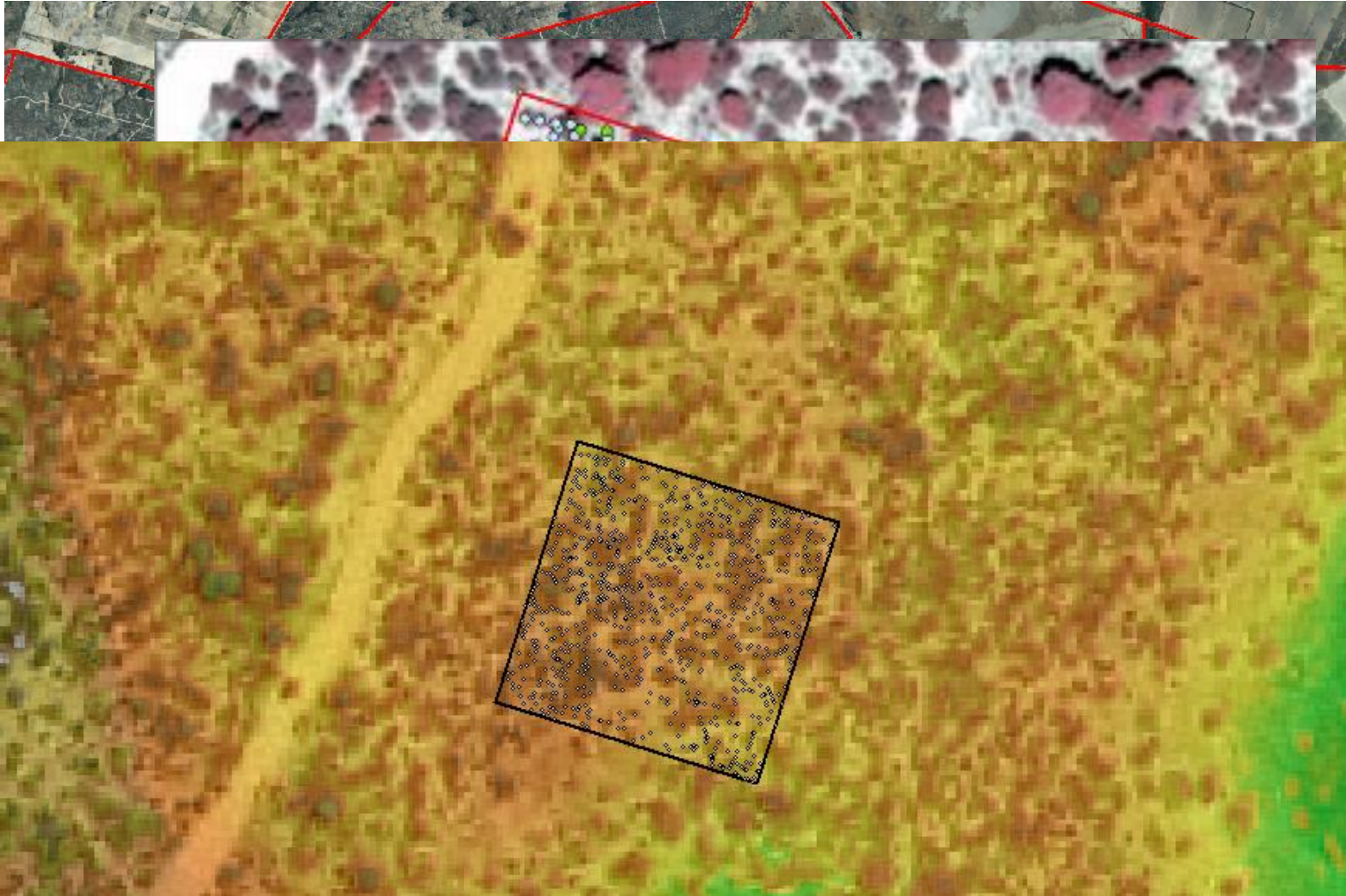
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Surface energy balance modelling framework



Methodology

Surface energy balance modelling: input variables



→ Local scale:

- LIDAR flight
- Orthomosaic
- EC data

→ Regional scale:

- LST (MOD011/MYD011)
 - 204 (April 2014 to December 2015)
- Landsat-5 TM LST
 - 5 images (March to September, 2010)
- LAI (MOD15A2)
- Fg (NDVI y EVI)
- EC meteorological data

Modeling of CO₂ assimilation by vegetation

➔ Gross Primary Production

➔ Regional scale: LUE model (*Light Use Efficiency*)

Applied in two ways to reduce that maximum efficiency value by:

1) Forcing it with meteorological variables.

2) Forcing it with both meteorological variables and a water

stress index from TSEB. $W = \frac{ET_d}{ET_r}$

➔ Local evaluation: flux tower

Methodology

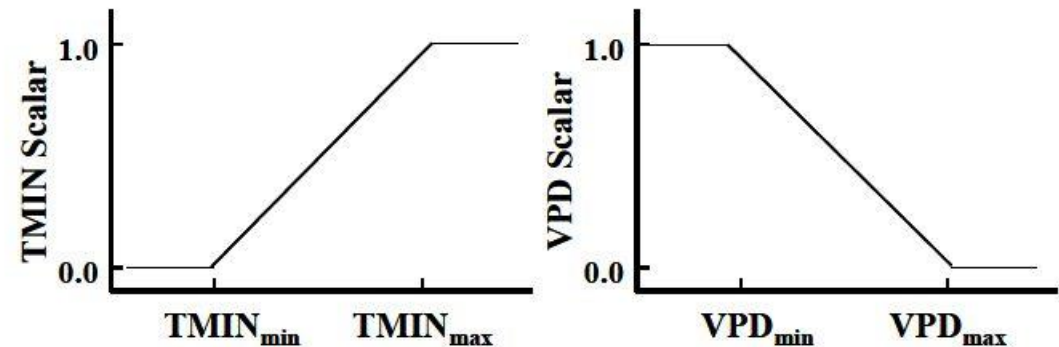
Modeling of CO₂ assimilation by vegetation

➔ Regional scale: LUE model (Light Use Efficiency)

$$GPP = FPAR \cdot PAR \cdot \varepsilon dt^*$$

$$\varepsilon = \varepsilon_{\max} \cdot TMINesc \cdot DPVesc$$

- FPAR: MCD15A3H ➔ 157 images 2014-2015
- PAR: 0,48* Rs
- ε_{\max} : 0,841 gC/MJ (Open Shrublands*)
- Threshold values: -8 and 8.8 °C for Tmin; 0.65 and 4.8 kPa for VPD



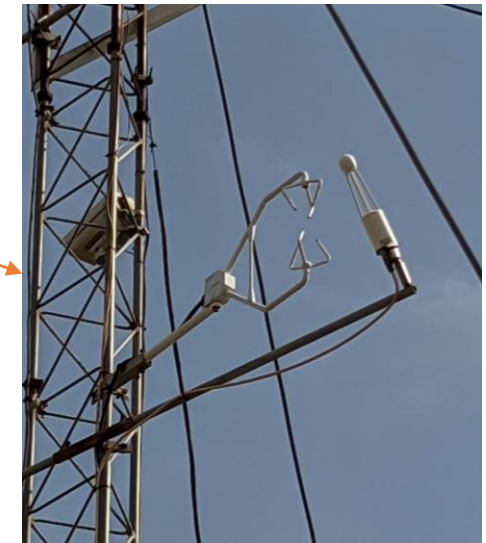
*Monteith 1972
Szeicz 1974
Running y Zhao 2019

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Modeling of CO₂ assimilation by vegetation

➔ Local evaluation: flux tower

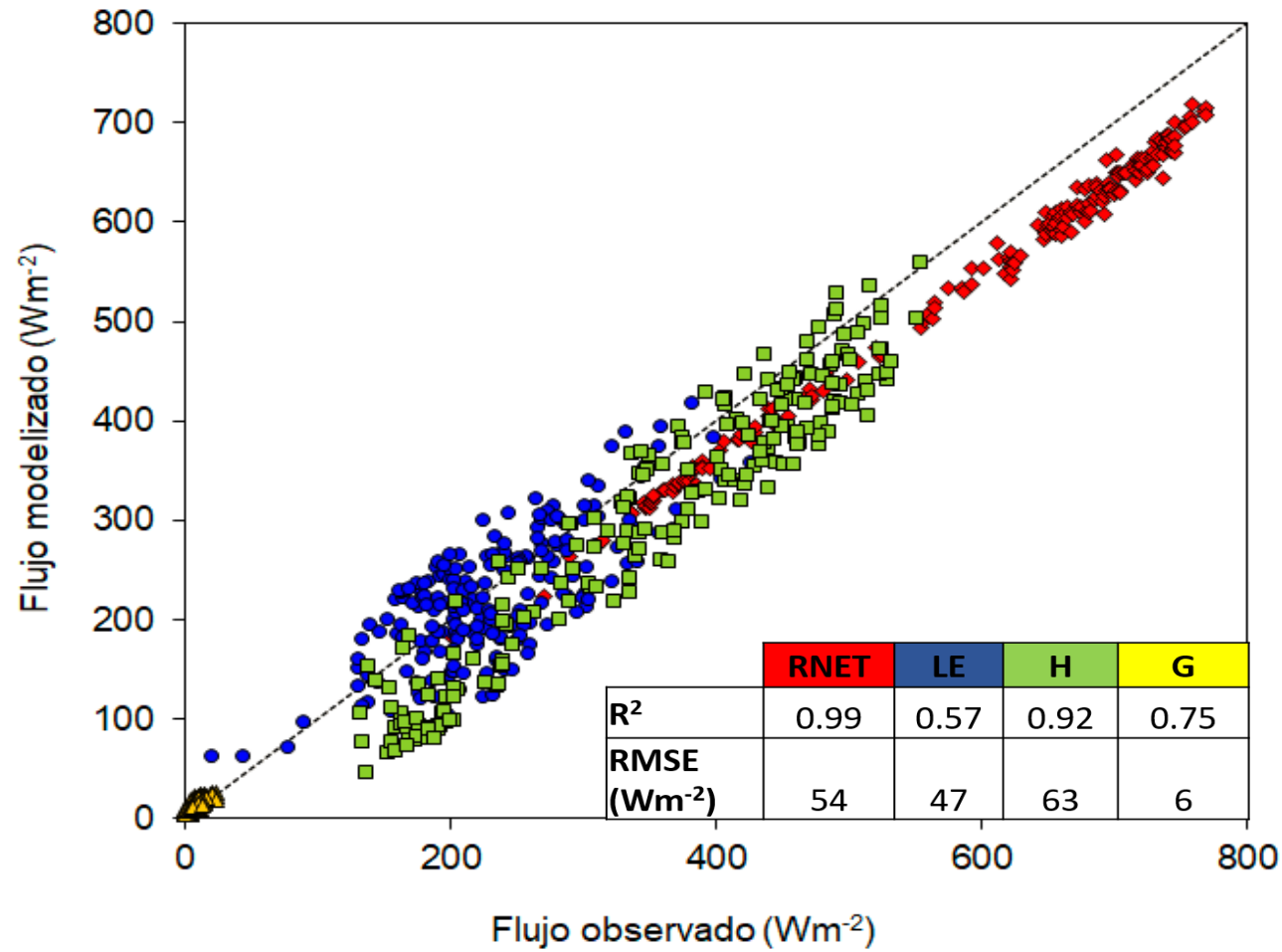
$$GPP = NEE - Reco^*$$



*Lasslop et al 2010

Results: surface energy balance Terra/Aqua LST data

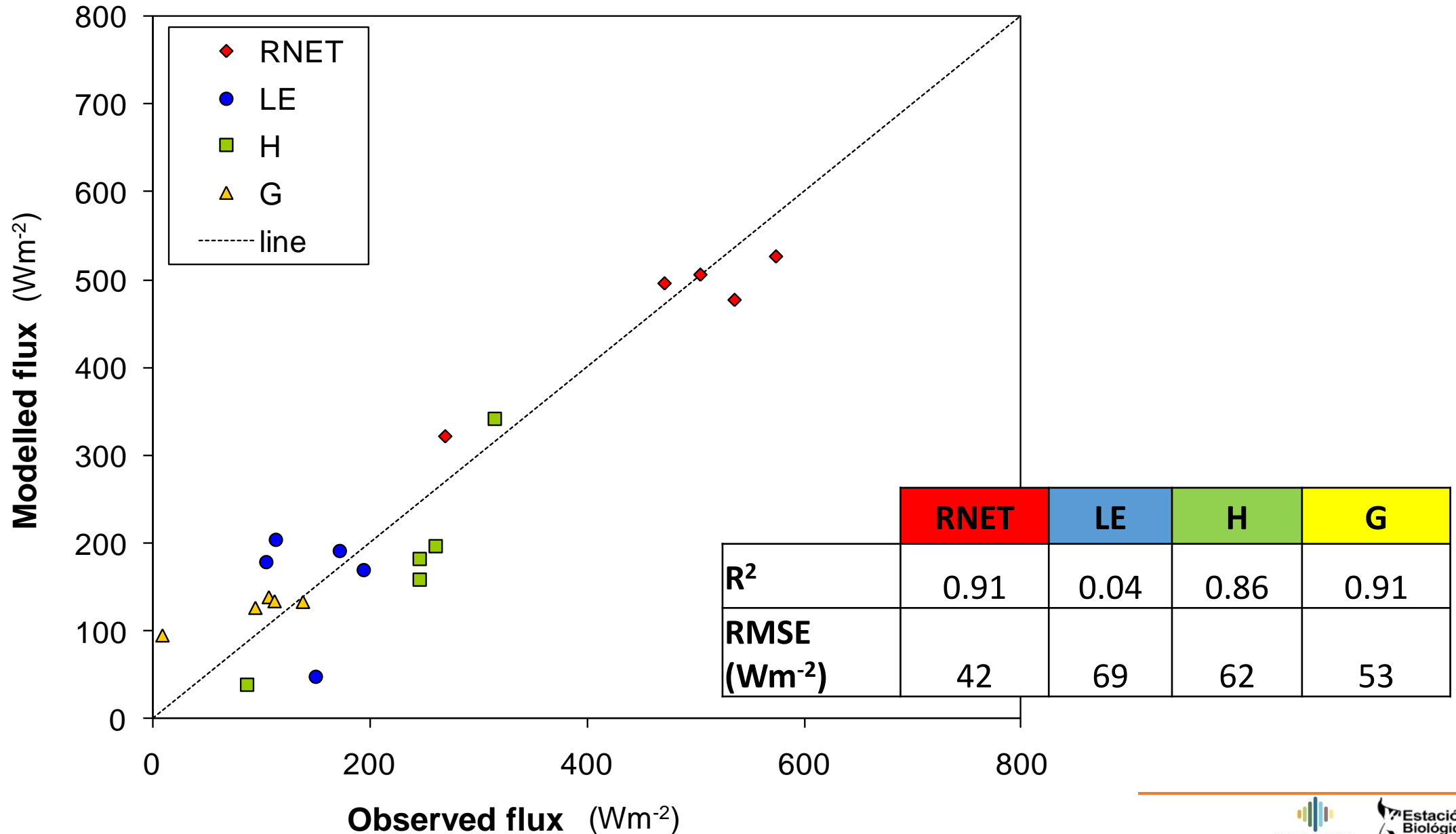
TSEB



➔ RMSE for all fluxes < 50 W·m⁻²

➔ Allowing daily upscaling of LE to be ≤ 1 mm·day⁻¹

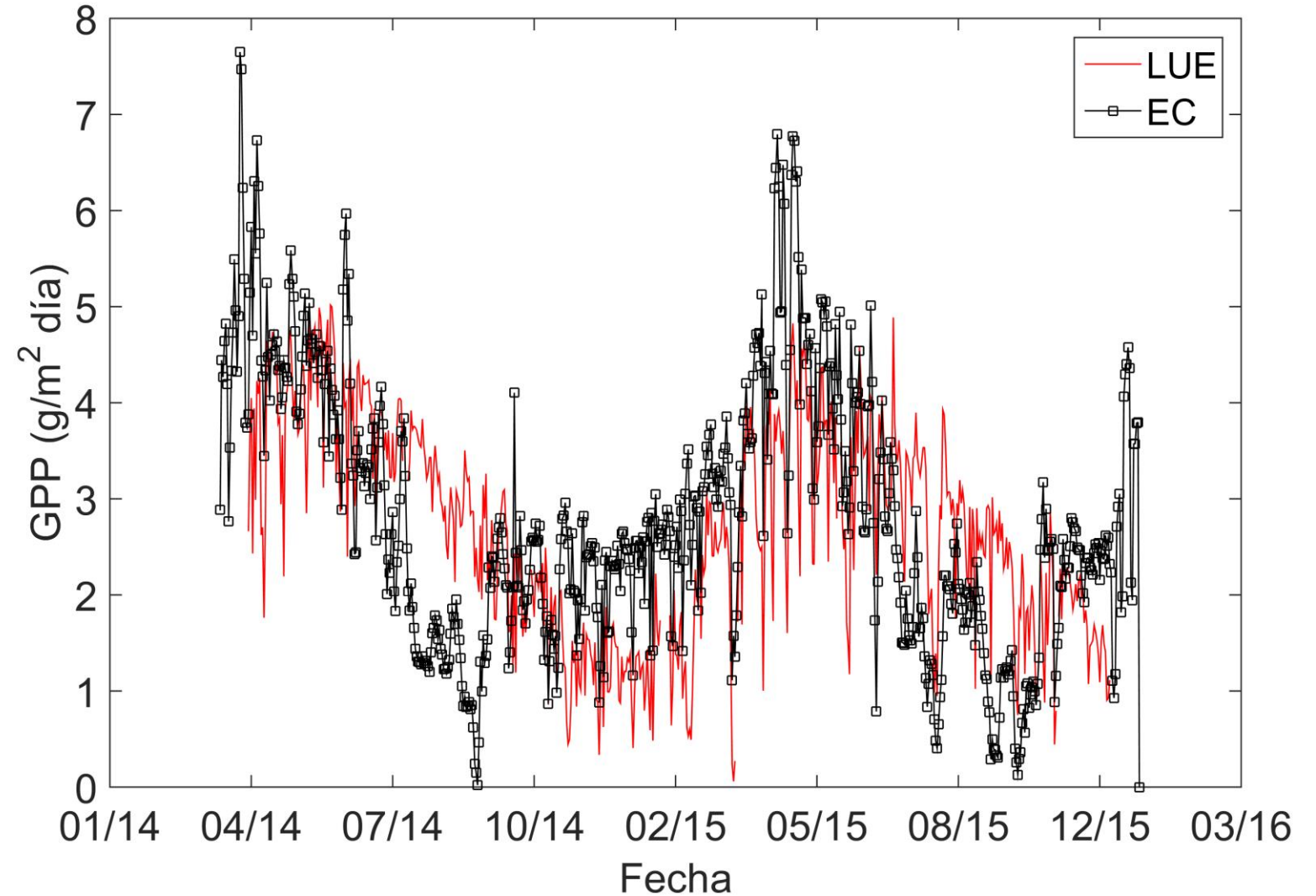
Results: surface energy balance with Landsat-5 TM LST data



Results: CO2 fluxes

LUE

→ RMSE
0,9 g C · m⁻²

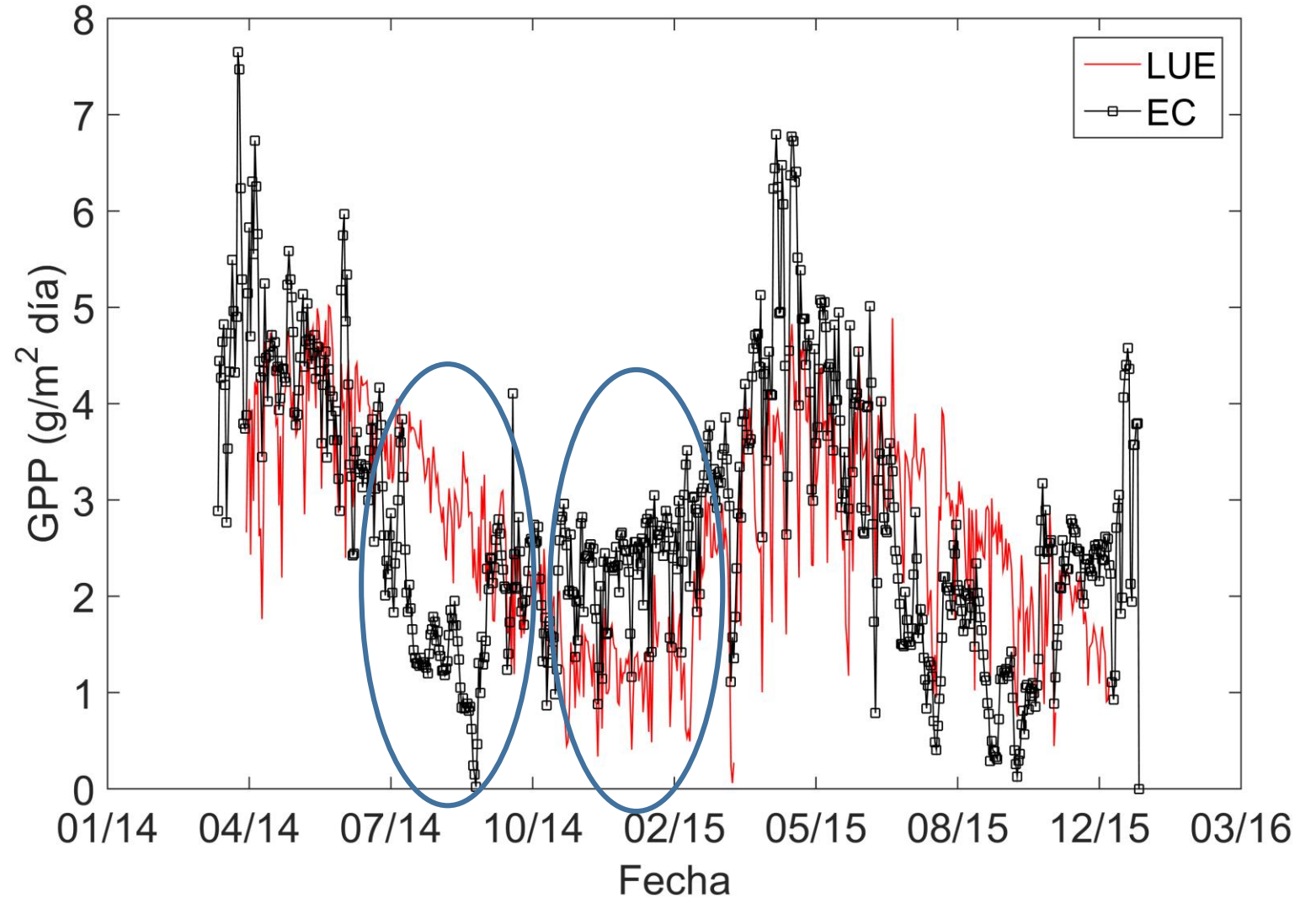


Results: CO2 fluxes

LUE

➔ RMSE
0,9 g C · m⁻²

➔ R²
0,42



Conclusions and future work

- ➔ The TSEB and LUE models yielded satisfactory results in terms of RMSE as a first approximation for estimating both surface energy and CO₂ fluxes in a Juniper tree ecosystem:
- 1- In the case of net radiation, latent heat, sensible heat and soil heat fluxes, evaluation results showed an average RMSE of around $W \cdot m^{-2}$ for Landsat and MODIS data.
 - 2- Application of the LUE with meteorological data also yielded acceptable results ($0.9 \text{ gC} \cdot m^{-2}$). Finally, using the water stress index improved the model results ($0.7 \text{ gC} \cdot m^{-2}$) due to its best performance in water scarcity conditions.
- ➔ Future studies will expand the time series in the juniper ecosystem and will extend to other covers within the RBD, where there are similar facilities, in order to study the peculiarities of the different ecosystems present in the Doñana National Park
- ➔ Application of SenET modelling framework to map ET

Thanks for your attention



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