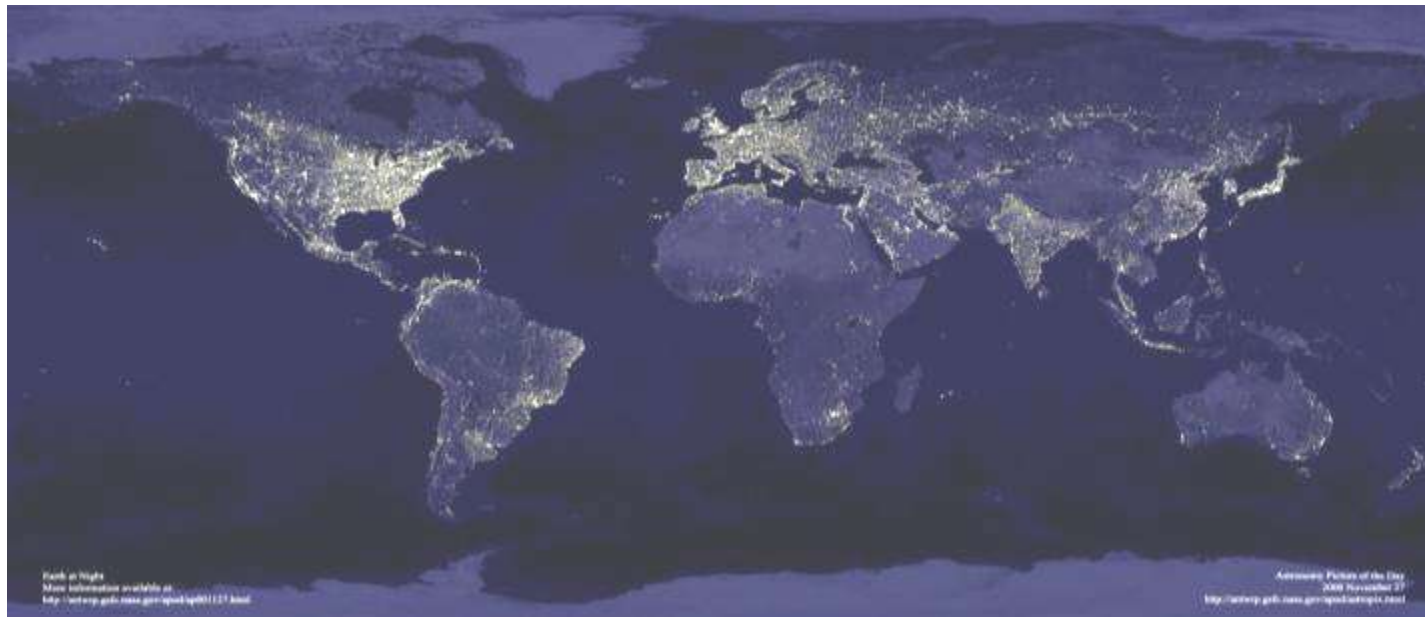


Relevance of Vegetation to Urban Surface-Atmosphere Exchanges

Current Needs and Challenges in Urban Meteorology

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Land Cover Change & Urban Areas



- Urban areas – cover only ~ 2 % land surface
 - But have > 50 % of the population & are the areas of expected growth
 - High vulnerability
- Land cover change associated with them **very variable** and drives many other changes
 - Desert - Irrigated Agriculture - Urban
e.g. Phoenix, Arizona
 - Grassland – Urban
- General assumption of decrease in vegetation, not all ways
 - can be more trees in urban areas than the surrounding area
 - Urban Forest
- Increase in impervious surfaces

Changing View of Cities



- 1820's
 - Warmth of urban areas first measured (Luke Howard)
- 1970-1980's
 - First Urban Energy Balance (UEB) measurements
 - First Urban Land Surface Models (LSM)
- 1990's
 - Number of short term observation campaigns (e.g. periods in summer)
- 2000's
 - Annual (or longer) UEB observations
 - First urban CO₂ flux observations
 - Development of large number of Urban LSM

Changing view of cities



- Increasing **number** of people
- Increasing **densities** of people
- Scale resolved increased (increased computing capacity, wireless sensors)

- Applications

- **Micro-scale**

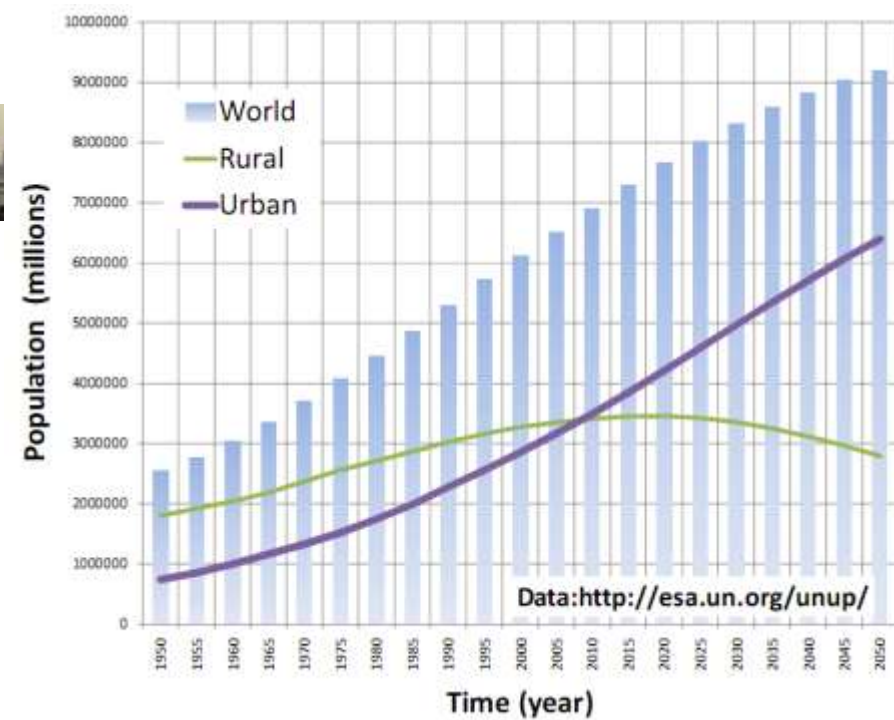
- Human comfort, Building design, Green infrastructure, Construction, Renewable energy installation and operations

- **Local-scale/Neighbourhood**

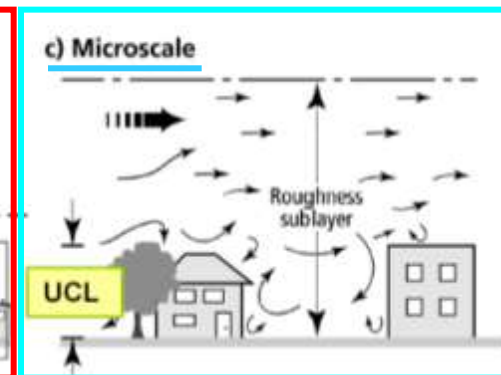
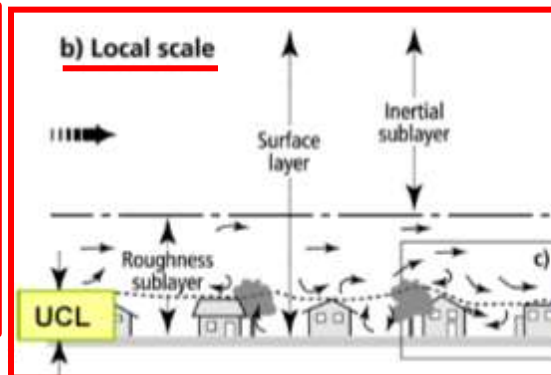
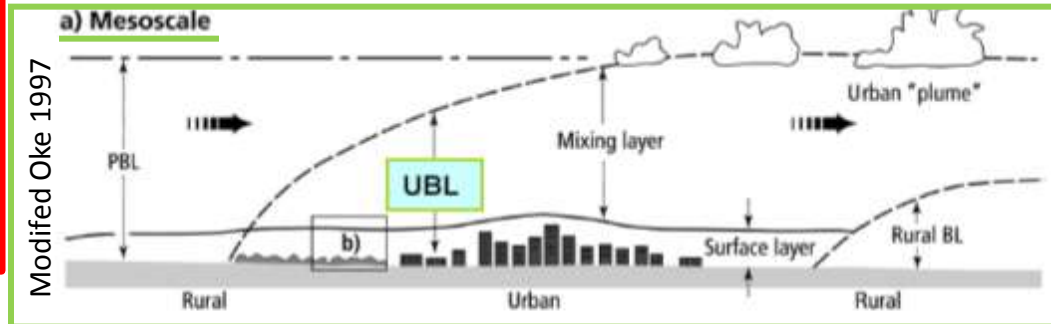
- Flood control, thermal comfort, mitigation strategies, energy demand

- **Meso-scale/City - wide**

- Forecasting, air quality applications, place most vulnerable at risk to climate change,



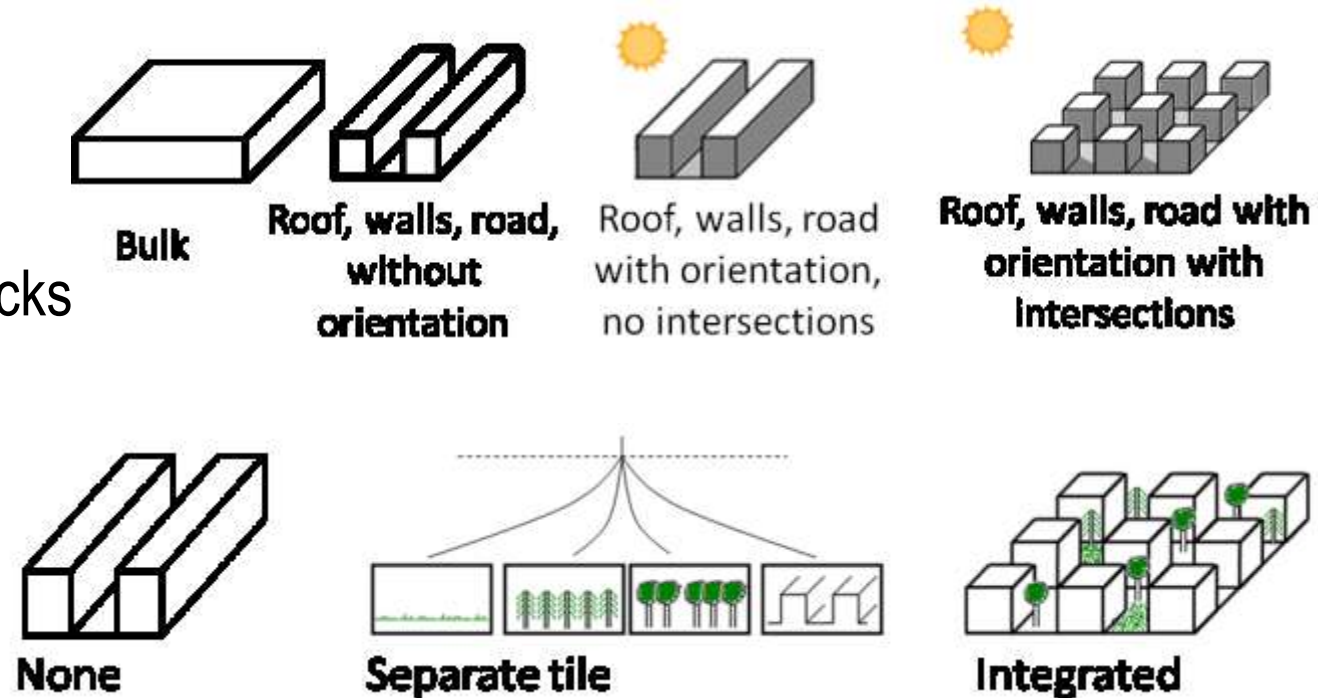
Scales





- Urban Surface – Atmosphere Exchanges

- Concrete
- Canyons
- Cubes
- Varying sizes blocks
- Vegetation

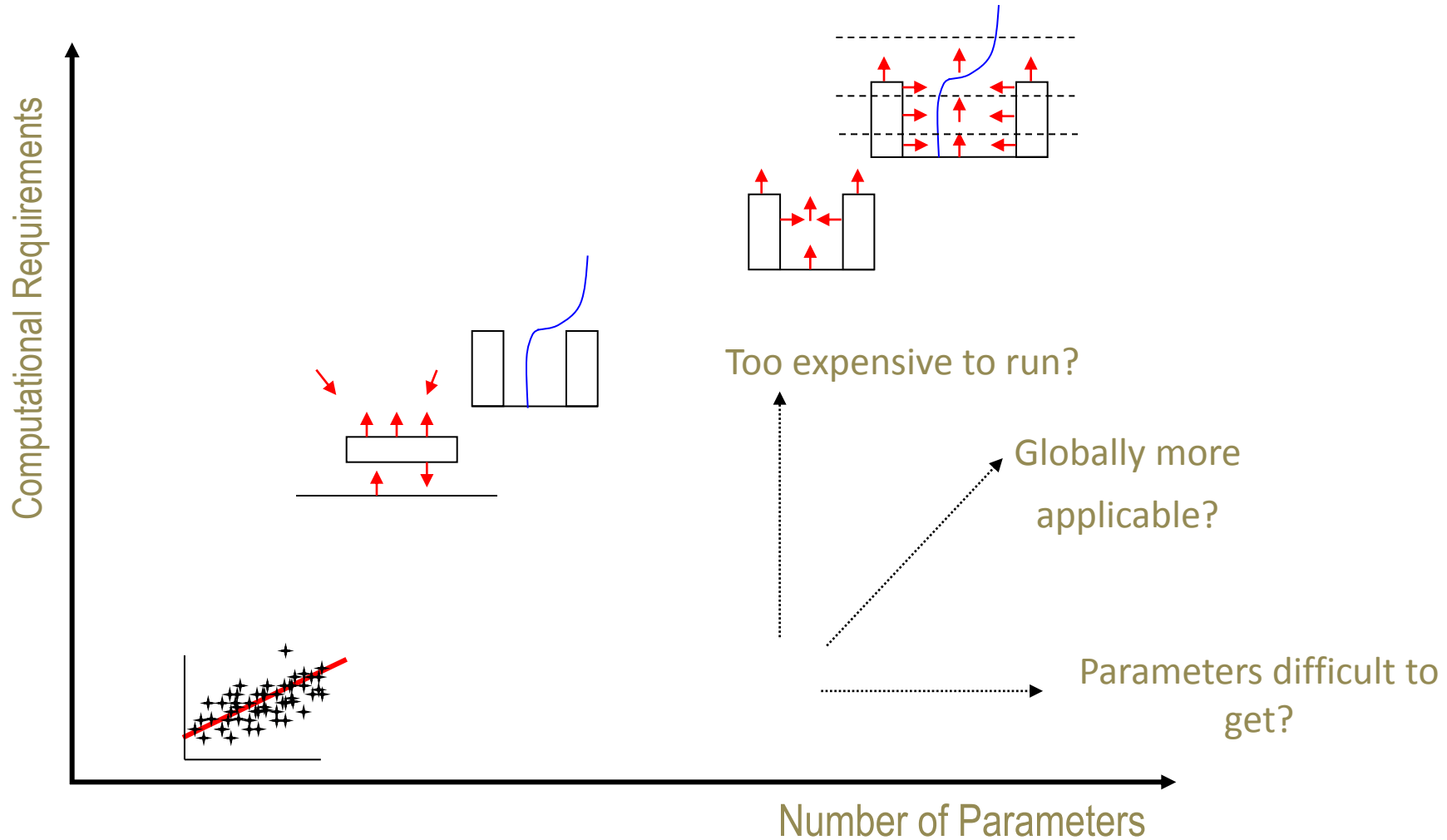


Grimmond et al. 2010 JAMC
2011 IJC

- Increasing model resolution

- How complex do the models need to be?
- How many classes do we need for urban areas?

Complexity of Urban Land Surface Models





- To evaluate models, the scale of measurements and the models need to be compatible
 - What does the model actually simulate?
 - Measurements need to meet appropriate assumptions

Local Scale: Land Surface Model + Observations



Forcing data for LSM – from higher level in model (e.g.meso-scale) or **observations**

$K_{\downarrow}$ Incoming shortwave radiation $Q_{\downarrow} = K_{\downarrow} + L_{\downarrow}$

$L_{\downarrow}$ Incoming longwave radiation

θ_A Air temperature

q_A Specific humidity

U_A Wind speed

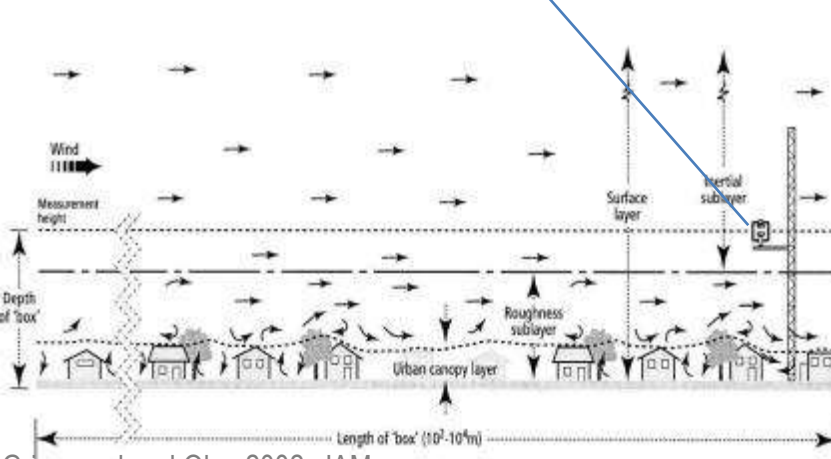
Modelled fluxes - passed to next model level

$K_{\uparrow}$ Outgoing shortwave radiation

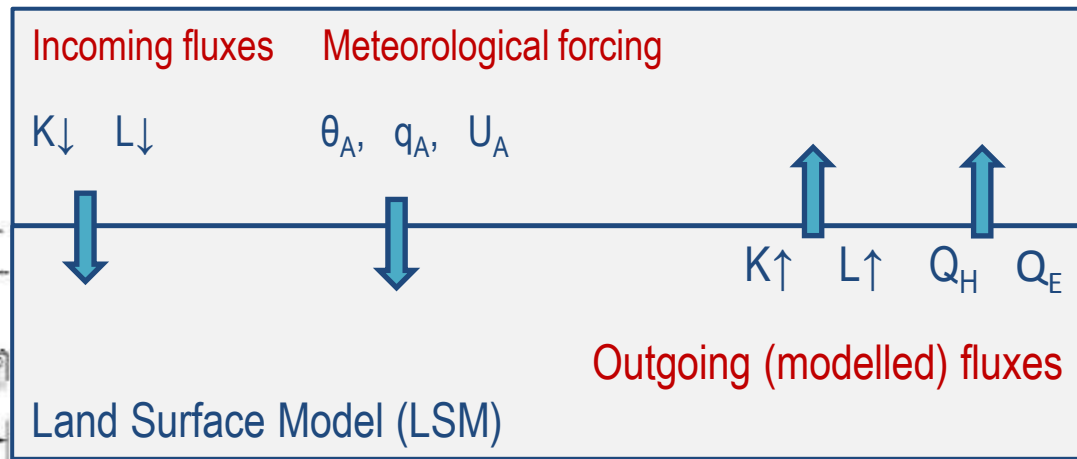
$L_{\uparrow}$ Outgoing longwave radiation

Q_H Turbulent sensible heat flux

Q_E Turbulent latent heat flux



Grimmond and Oke, 2002, JAM

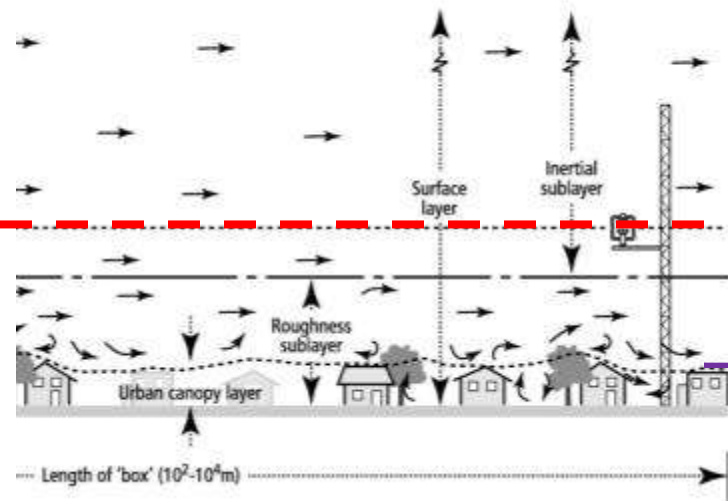


Microscale vs Local-Scale

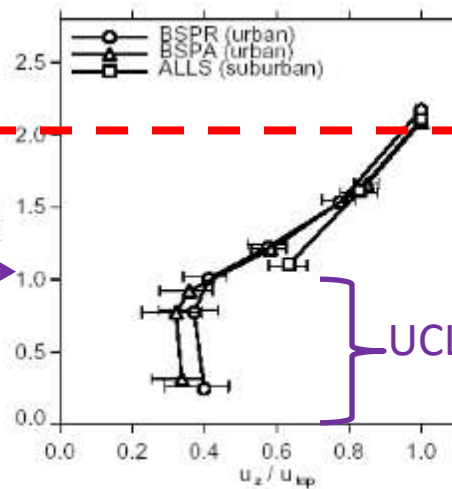


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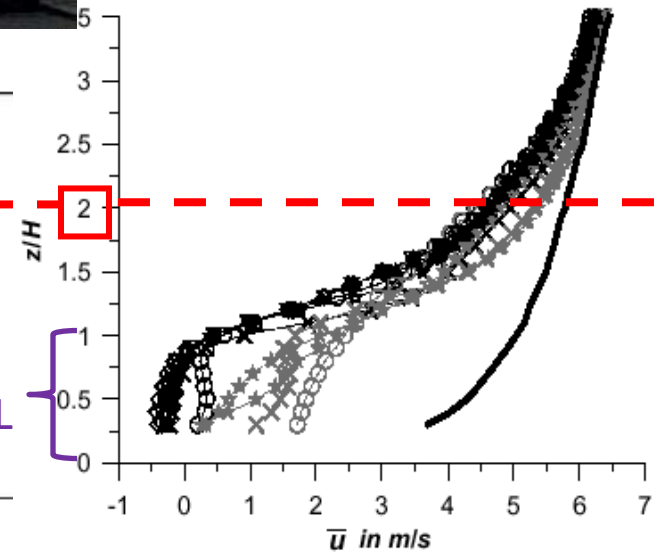
- height (& variability)
- roughness element density
- shapes of roofs
- stability
- local scale variability



Grimmond and Oke 2002 JAM

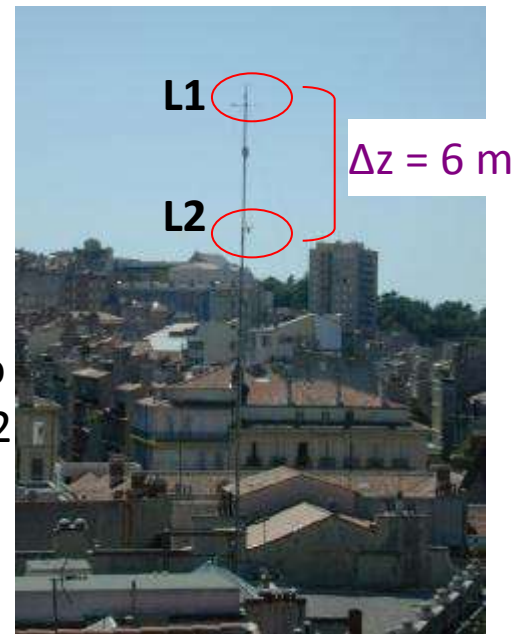
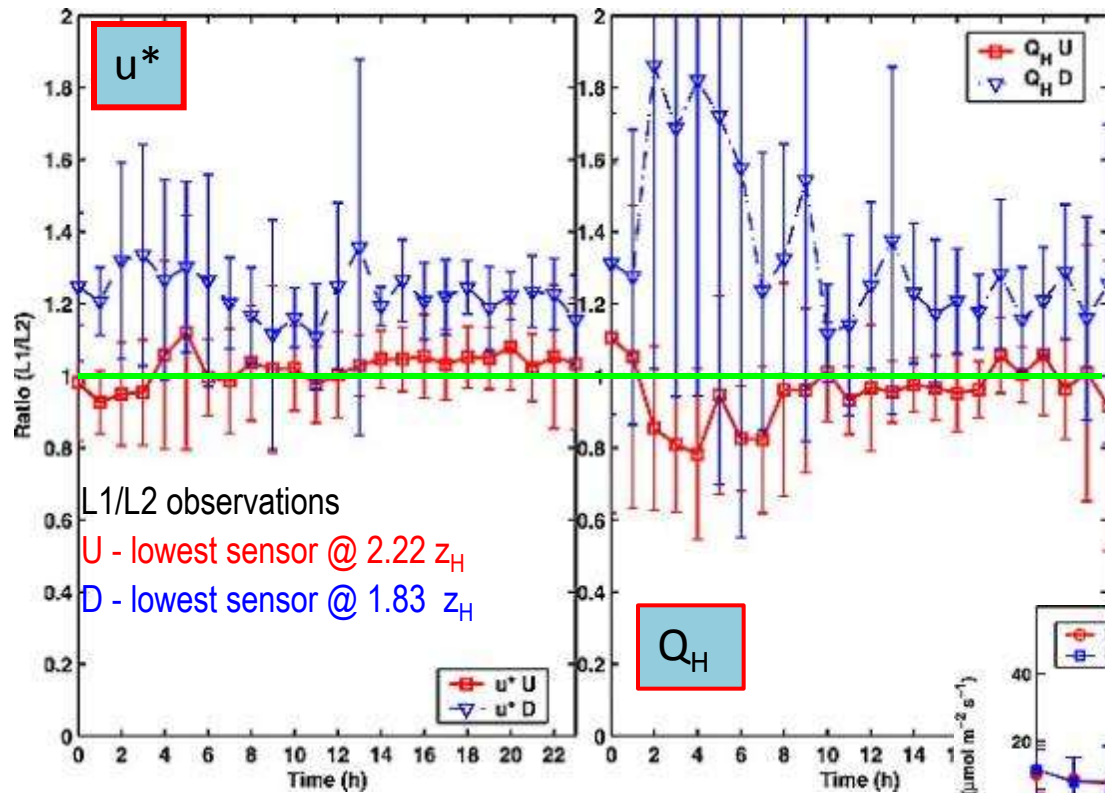


Christian et al. (2003) 4th International
Conference on Urban Air Quality, Prague
Real world measurements
Basel



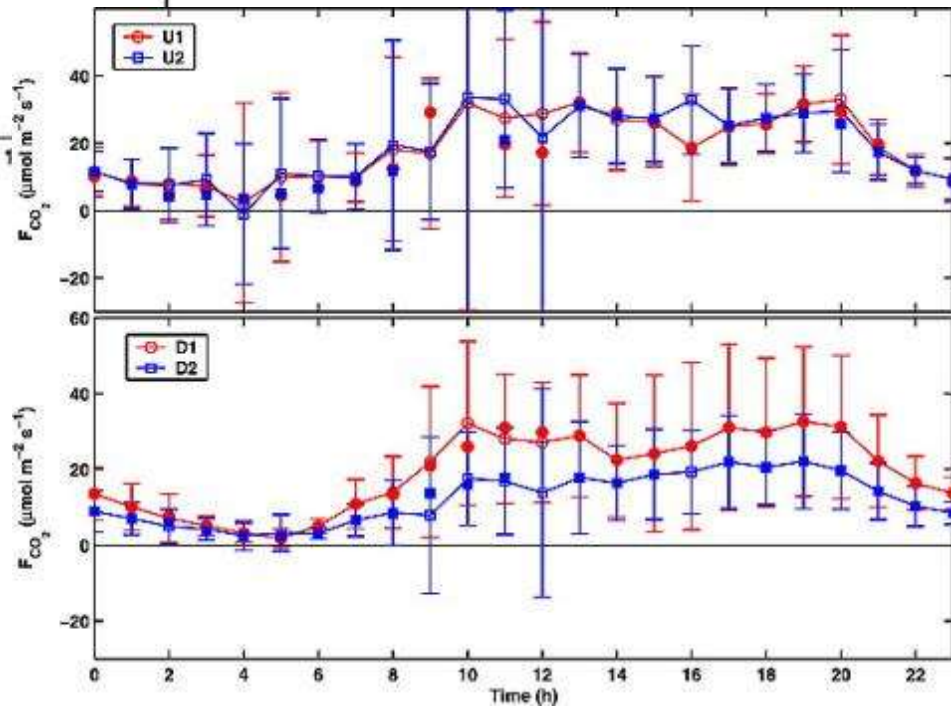
Kastner-Klein & Rotach 2004 BLM
Wind tunnel observations

Impact of the Height of Observations



Ratio
L1/L2

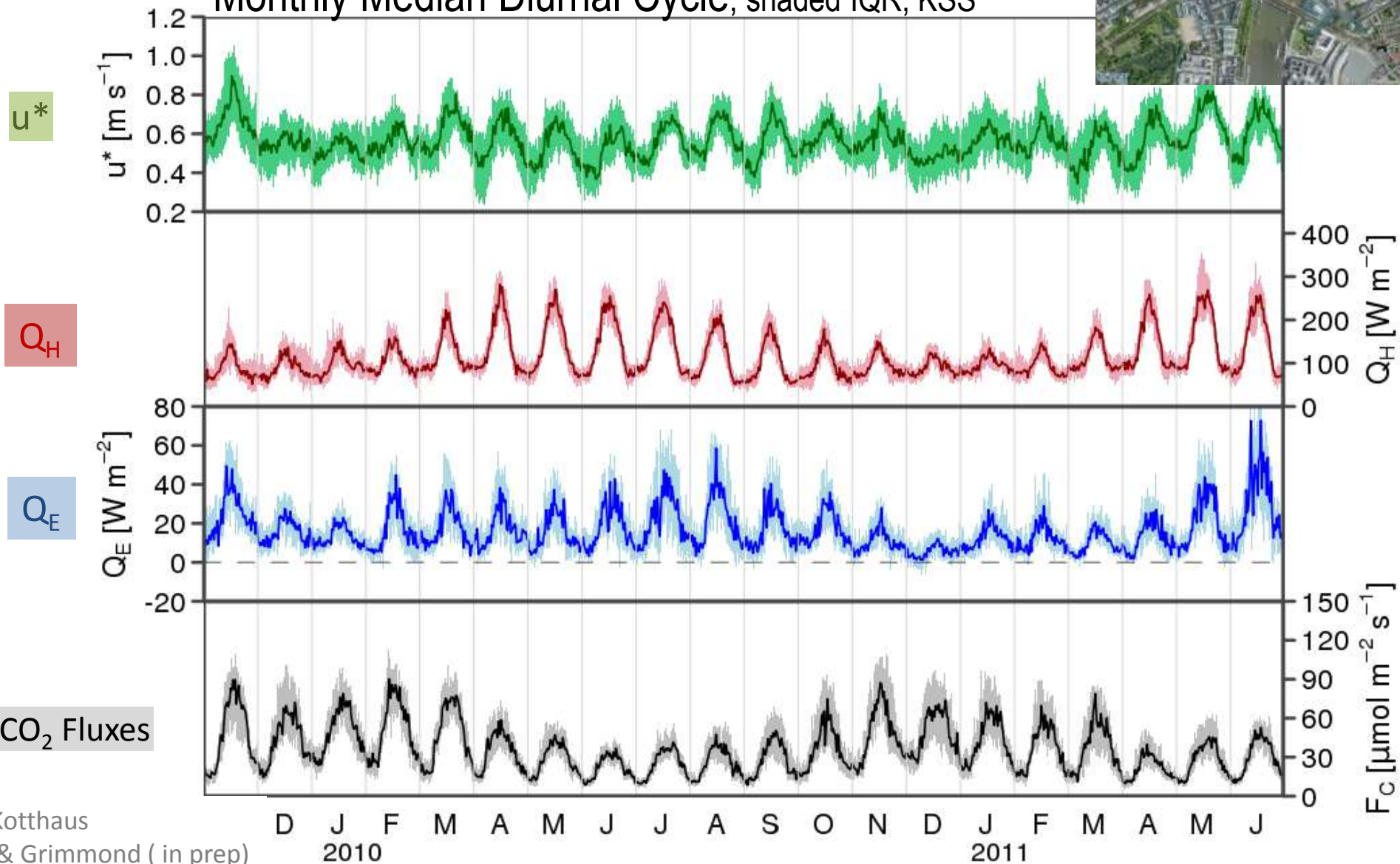
Carbon Dioxide Fluxes
@ each level



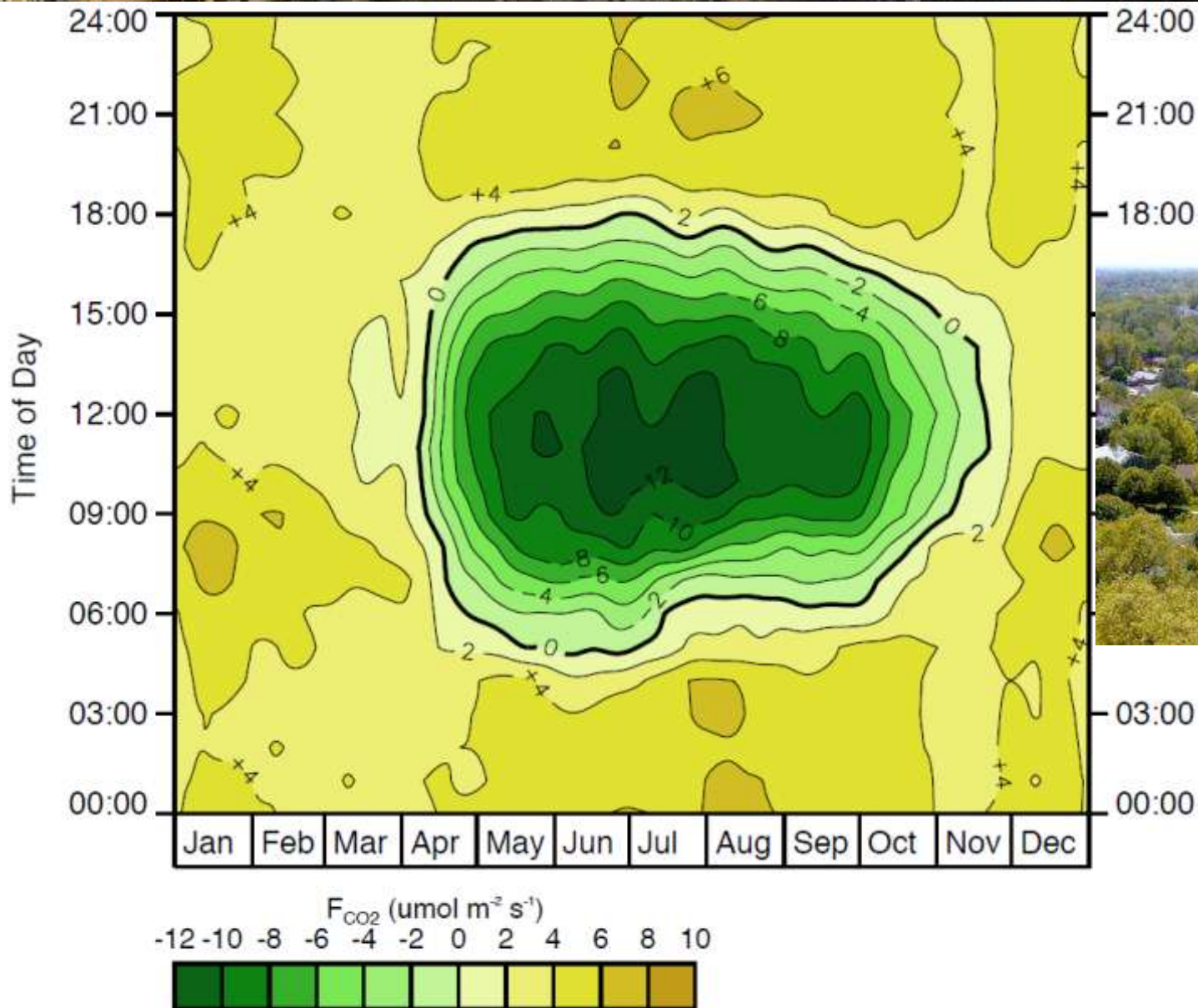
Central London (Eddy Covariance): Low Vegetation



Monthly Median Diurnal Cycle, shaded IQR, KSS



Suburban Baltimore Mean Hourly F_{CO_2} 2002-2006



F_{CO_2} - Urban-Suburban-Rural Comparison



London



Swindon

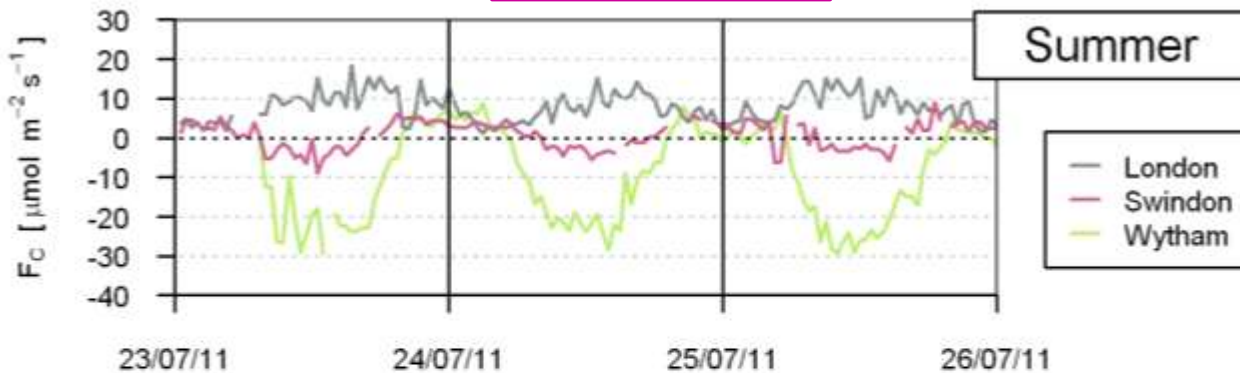


Wytham



- release of CO_2 increases with level of urbanisation and decrease of vegetative fraction

Thomas et al. (2011)



Release

Uptake



Swindon:

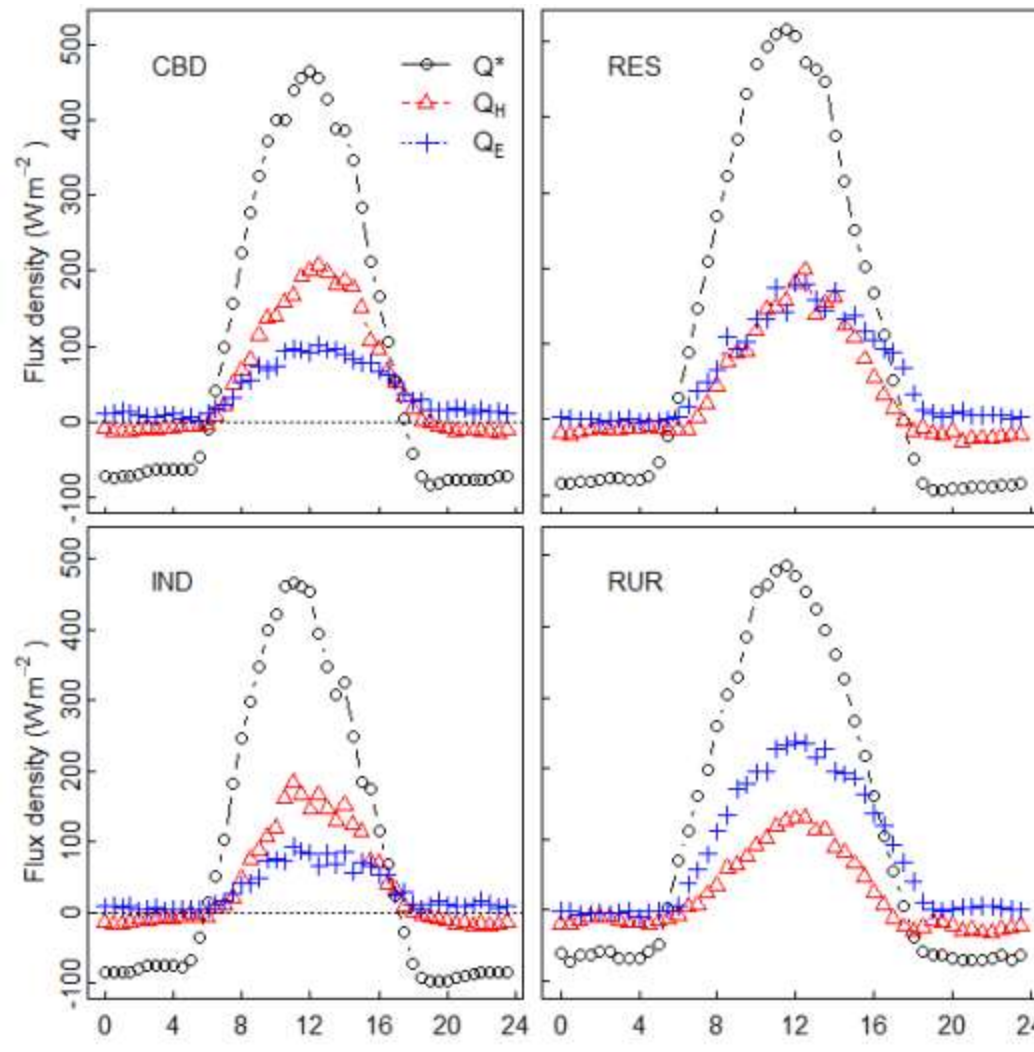
- small source in summer, significant uptake by vegetation
- anthropogenic contributions more important in winter

Kotthaus, Ward, Grimmond, Evans (2012)

Variability Within A City: Lodz, Poland

17 Aug – 2 Sept 2002

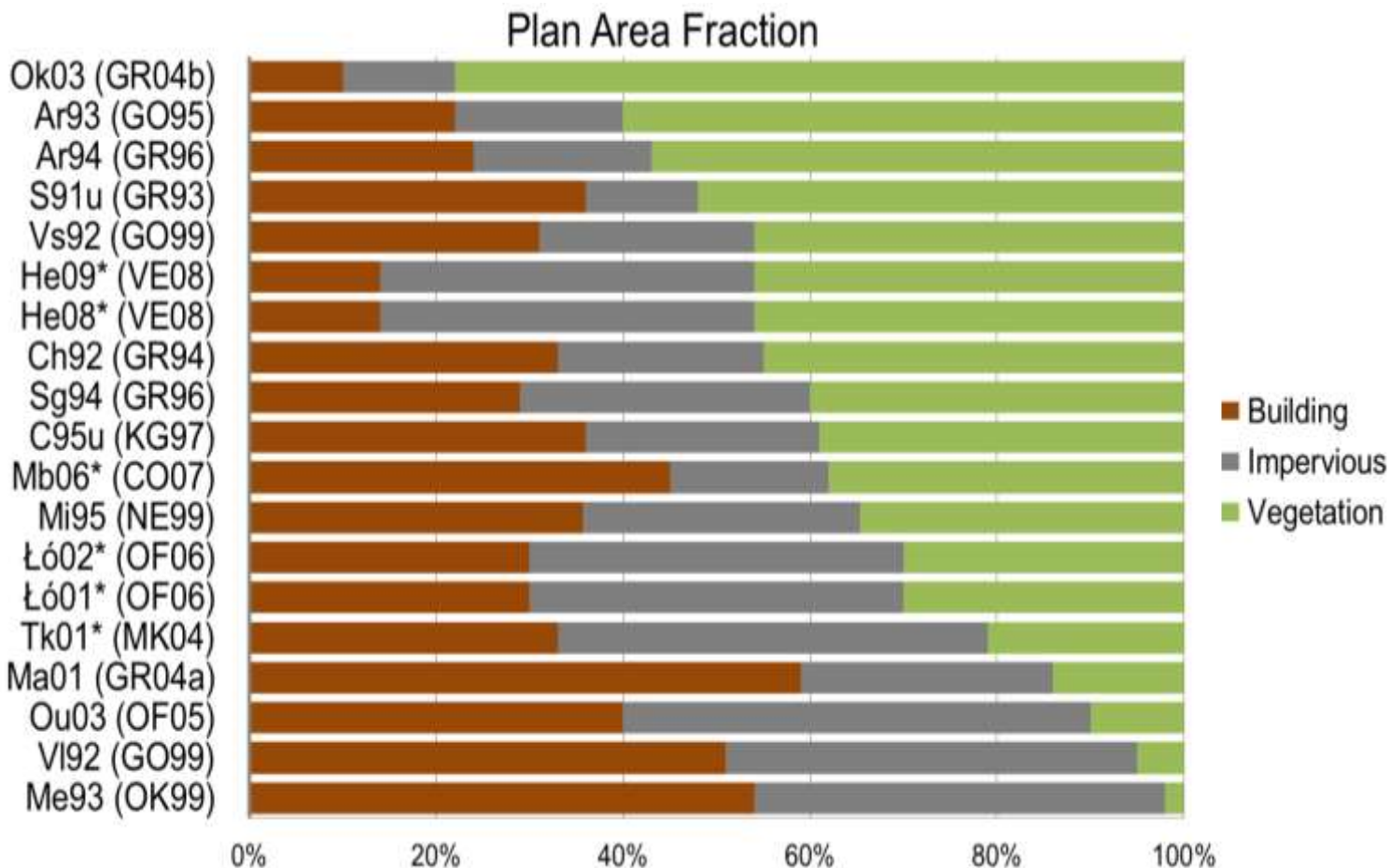
Offerle et al. 2006 JAMC



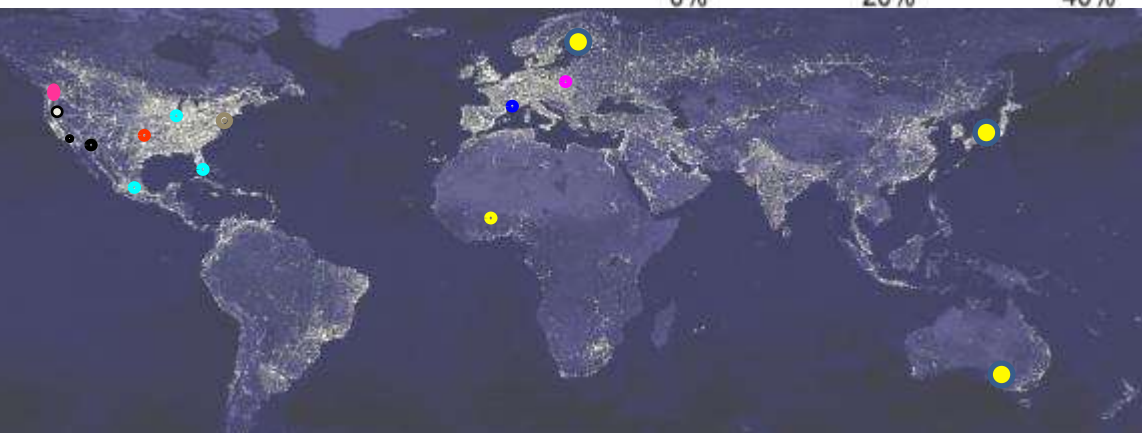
Large number of observations of urban energy balance fluxes



Site (reference)
* Annual data

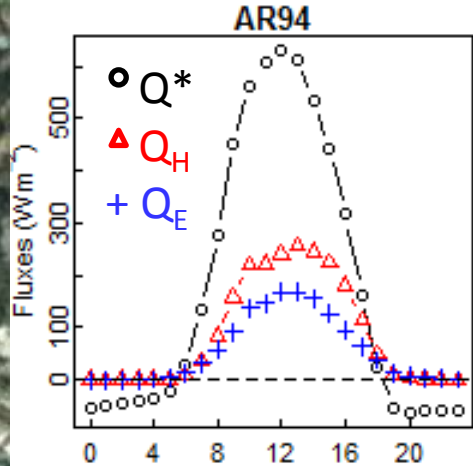


Loridan and Grimmond
(2011 JAMC)

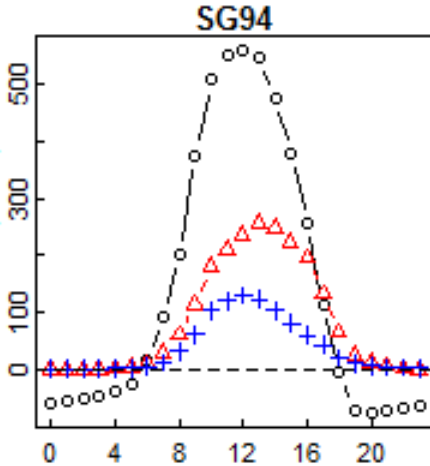


- Helsinki: Vesala, Järvi, Nordbo
- Tokyo: Moriwaki and Kanda
- Melbourne: Coutts and Berringer
- Lodz: Offerle, Grimmond and Fortuniak
- Ouagadougou: Offerle, Grimmond, Eliasson
- Marseille, Miami, Sacramento, Tucson, Vancouver: Grimmond and Oke
- Chicago, Los Angeles, Oklahoma City: Grimmond

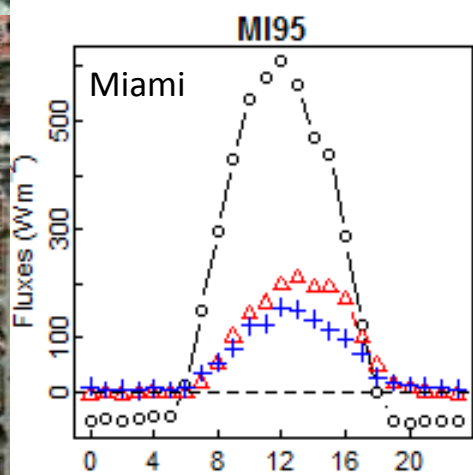
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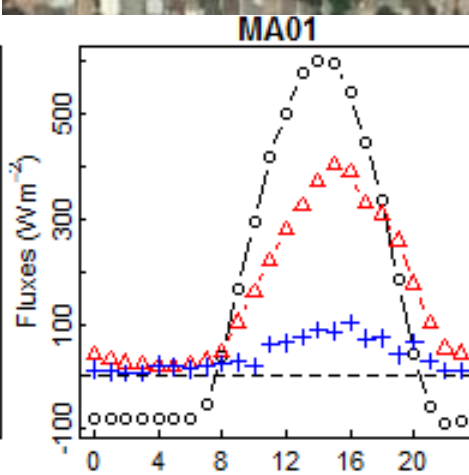
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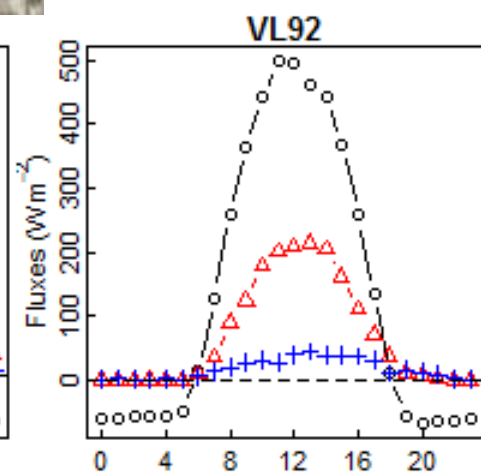
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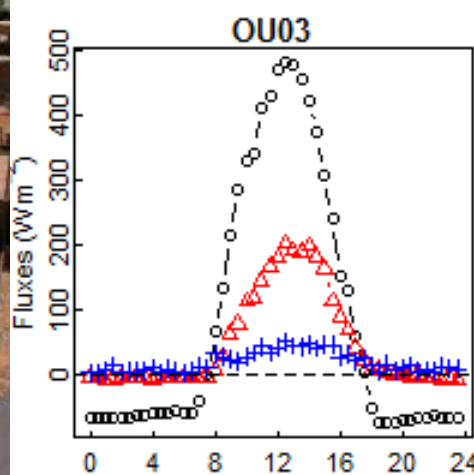
MA01



VL92



Ouagadougou



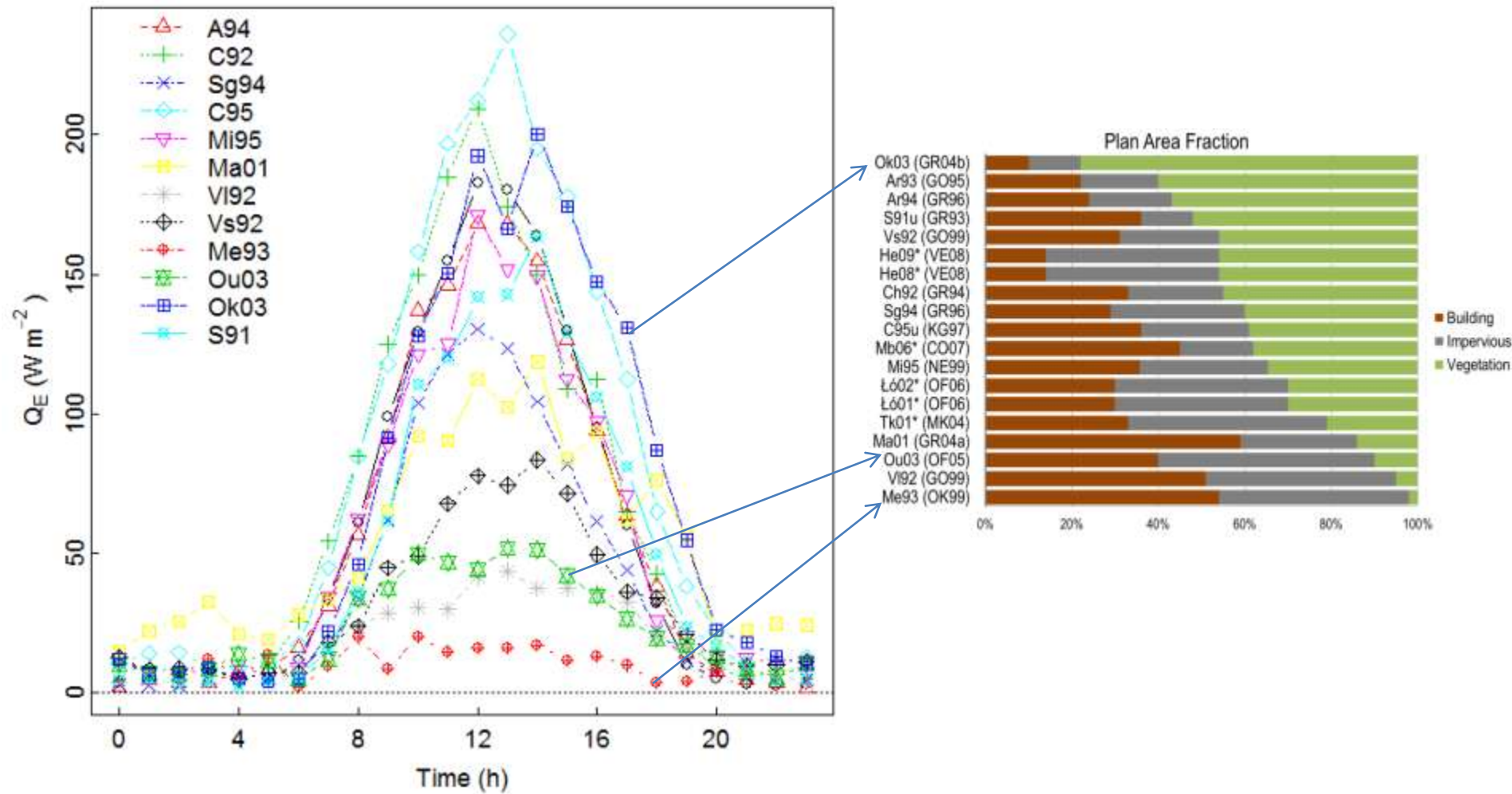
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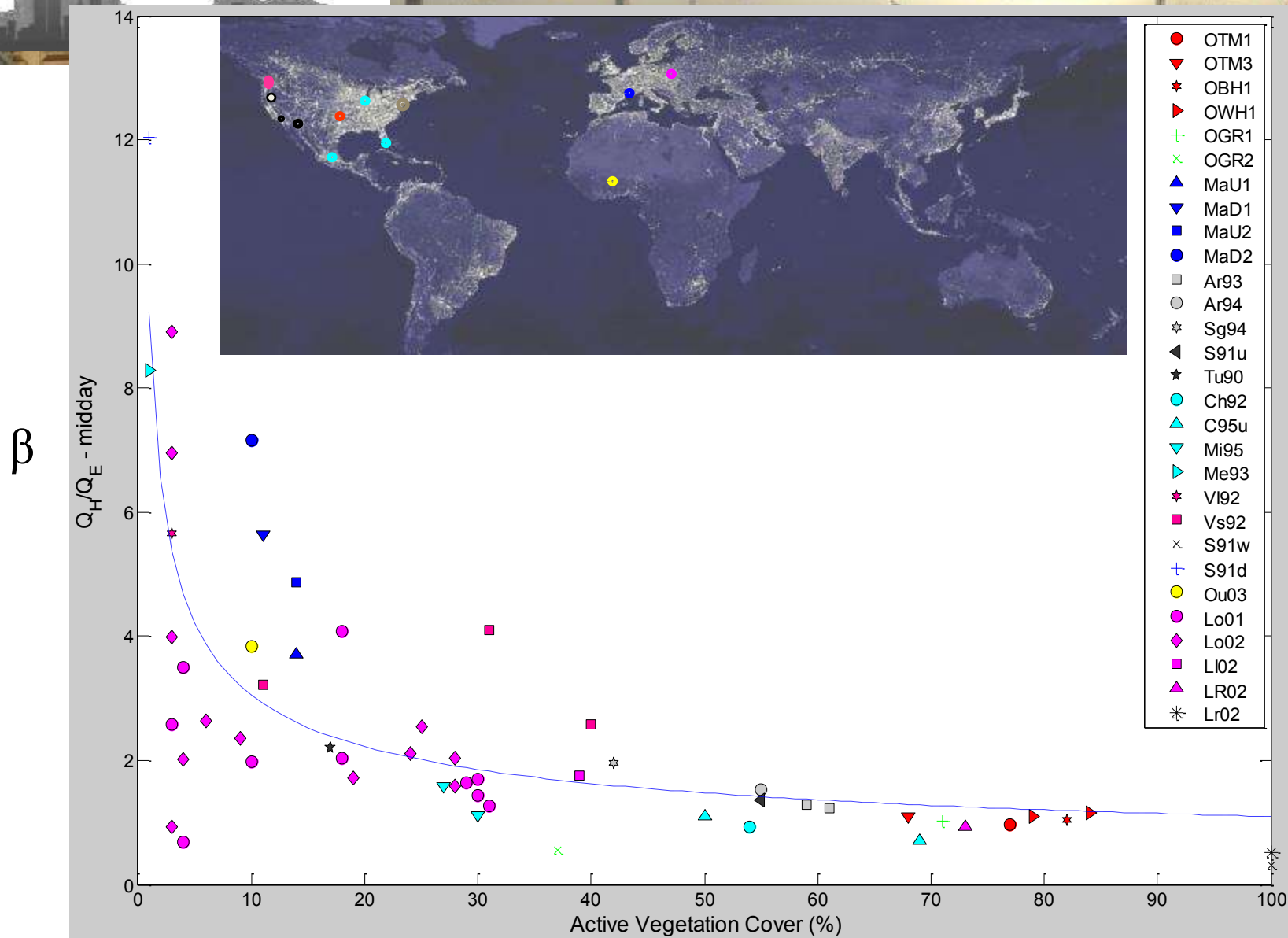
Vancouver



Variability of Latent Heat Flux: Short observation periods



Convective Flux Partitioning: Midday Monthly Mean



Data from: Grimmond and Oke 2002 *JAM*, Grimmond et al. 2004 *JGR* (Marseille, Ma),
Offerle et al. 2005 *IJC*, *JAM*, *TAC* (Lodz, Lo) Offerle et al. 2005 *JC* (Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso Ou03) OKC (Grimmond)

Multi-Site Comparison Considerations



- Incoming **Radiation** ($Q_{\downarrow} = K_{\downarrow} + L_{\downarrow}$) varies

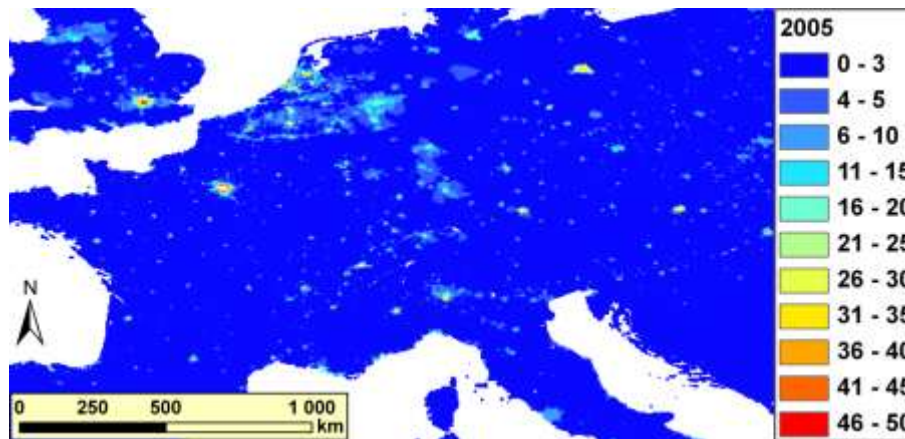
- $K_{\uparrow} + L_{\uparrow}$ - also **dependent on surface characteristics**

- **Anthropogenic Heat Flux**

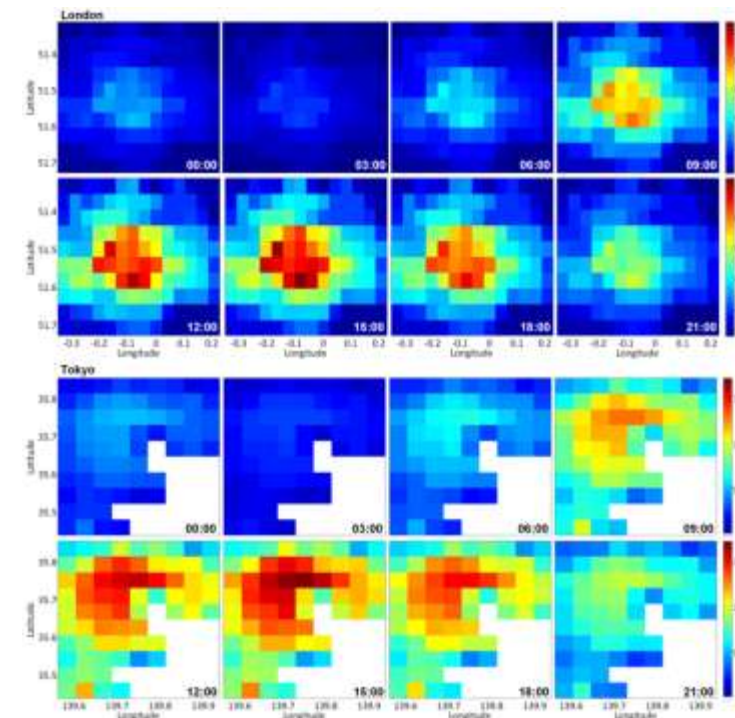
- Estimated using Allen et al. (2011 IJC): LUCY model
 - Temporal resolution: 60 min
 - Spatial resolution: 2.5 x 2.5 arc minutes (~4.5 km)
 - Spatial extent: 85°N to 58°S

$$Q^* = Q_{\downarrow} - Q_{\uparrow}$$

$$= K_{\downarrow} - K_{\uparrow} + L_{\downarrow} - L_{\uparrow}$$

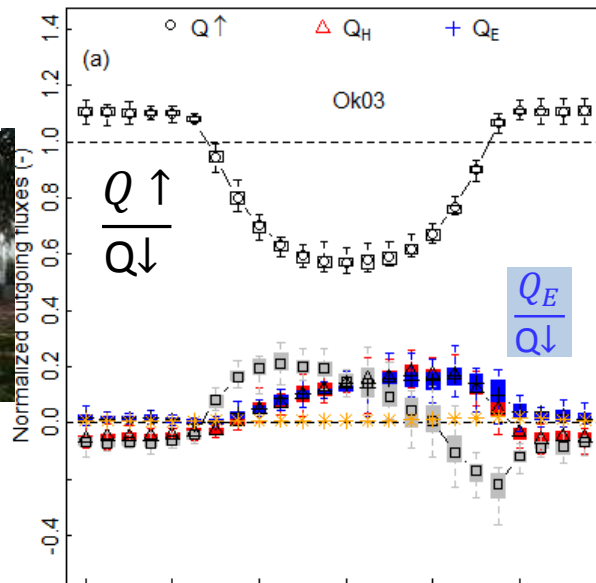


Mean Flux for 2005 Allen et al. (2010)

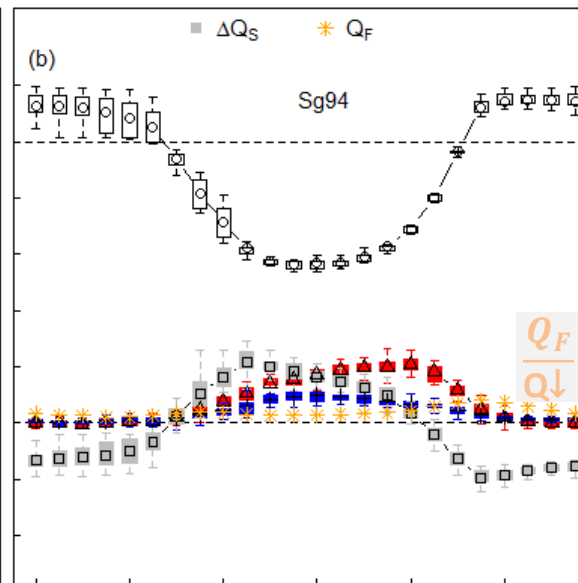


Energy Balance: Incoming Radiation ($Q\downarrow = K\downarrow + L\downarrow$) Normalization

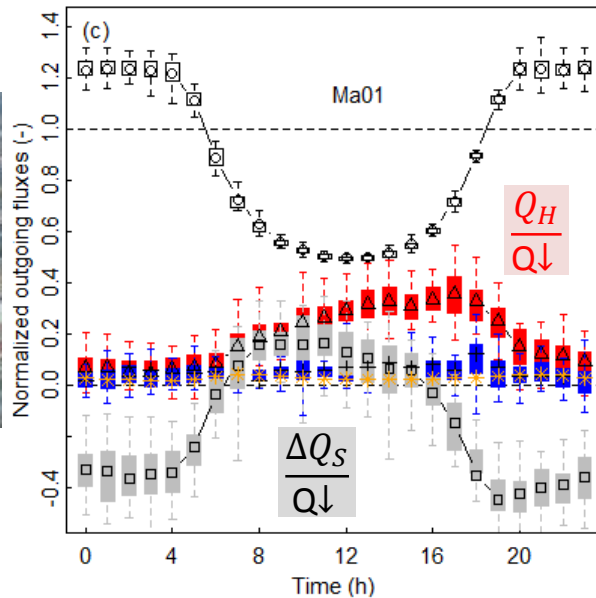
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City



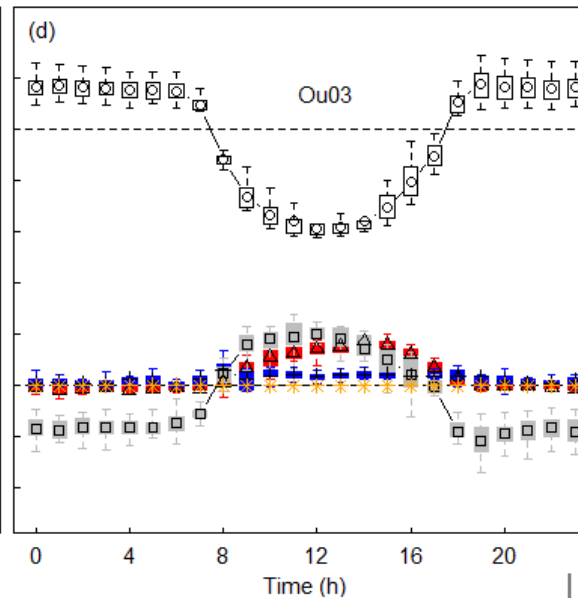
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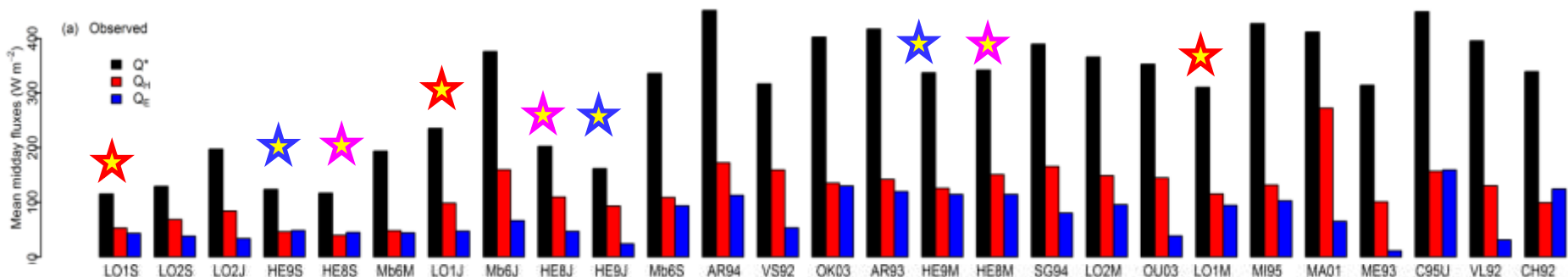
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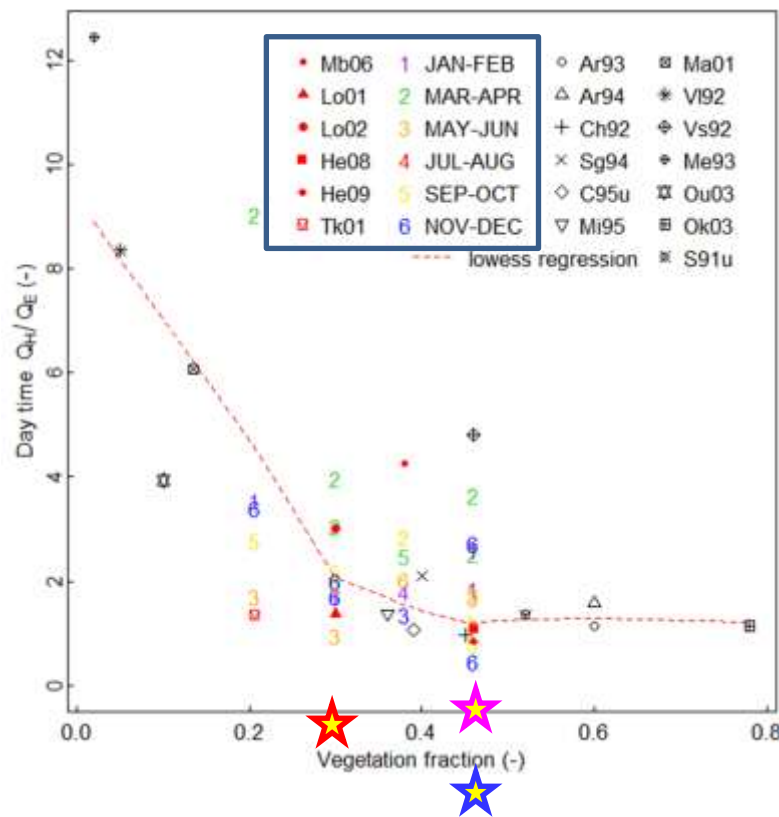


Midday Period: Fluxes, Bowen Ratio and Vegetated Fraction



Loridan and Grimmond (2011 QJRMS)

β



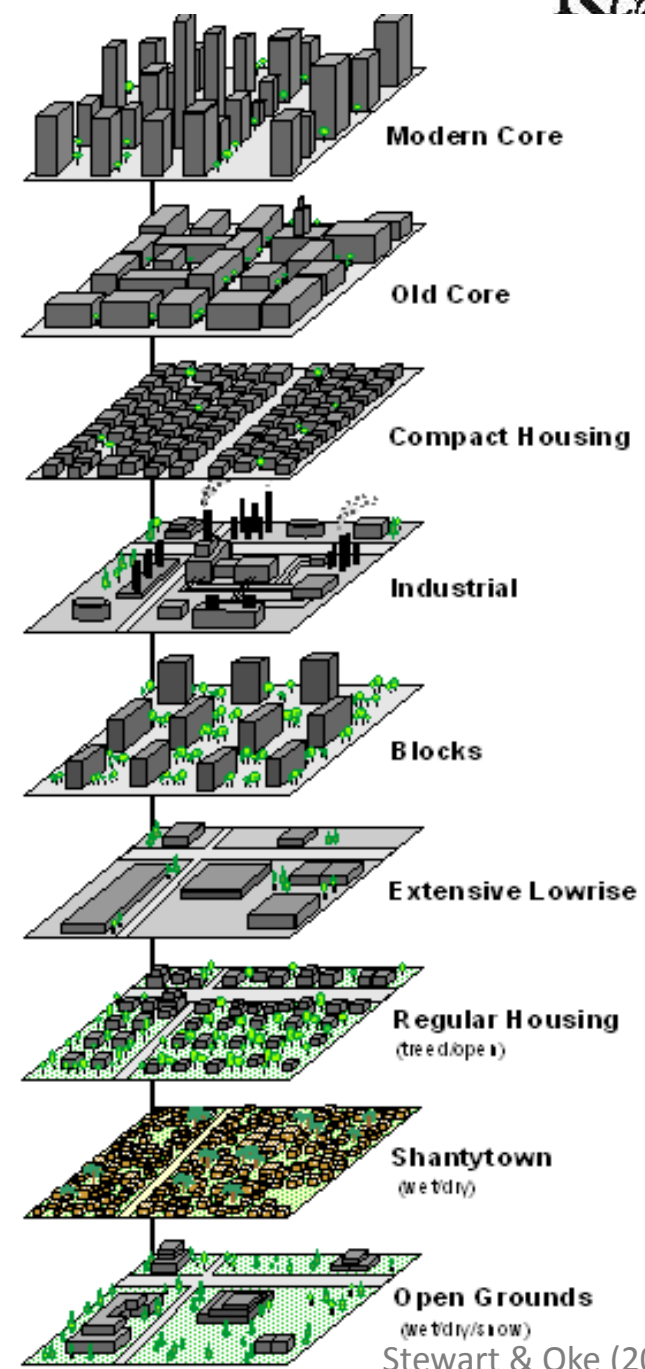
Need **dynamic surface characteristics** rather than fixed surface characteristics

Loridan and Grimmond (2012 JAMC)

Variability in Urban Surface

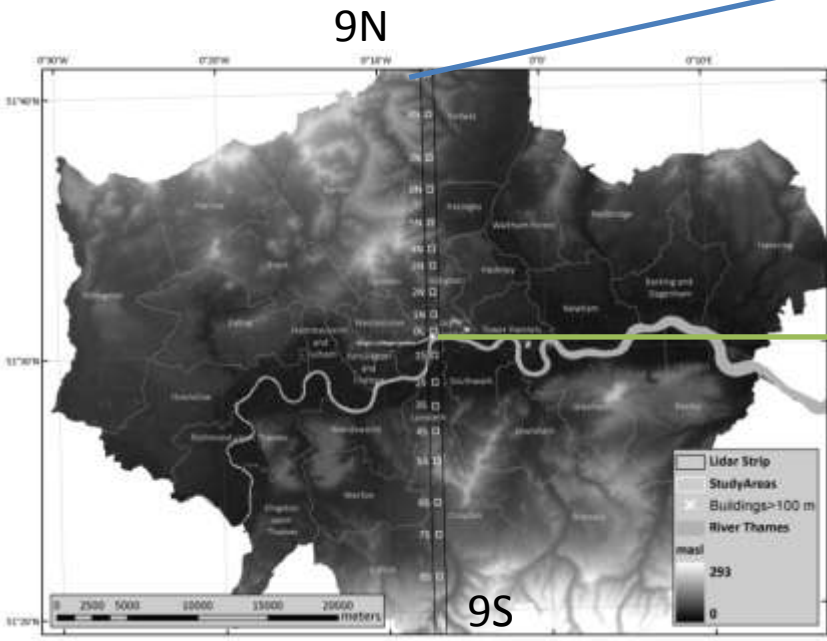


Grimmond & Oke 1999 JAM 38, 1262-92

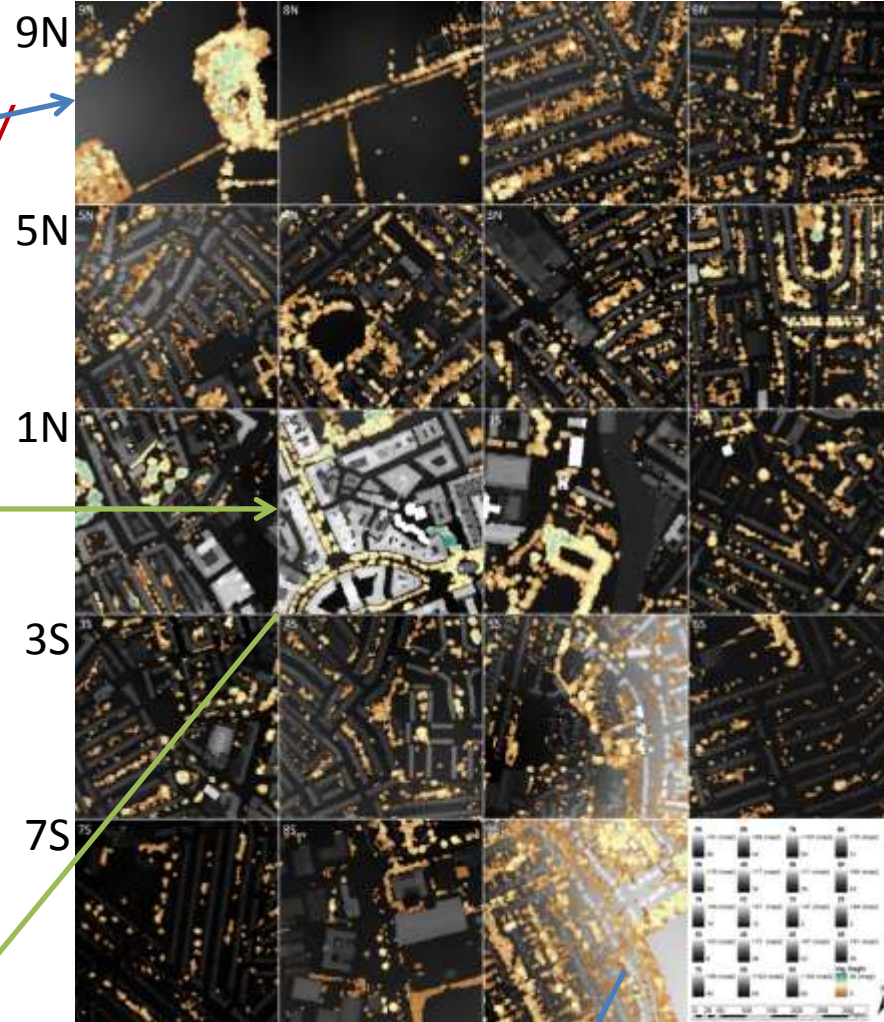


Stewart & Oke (2009)

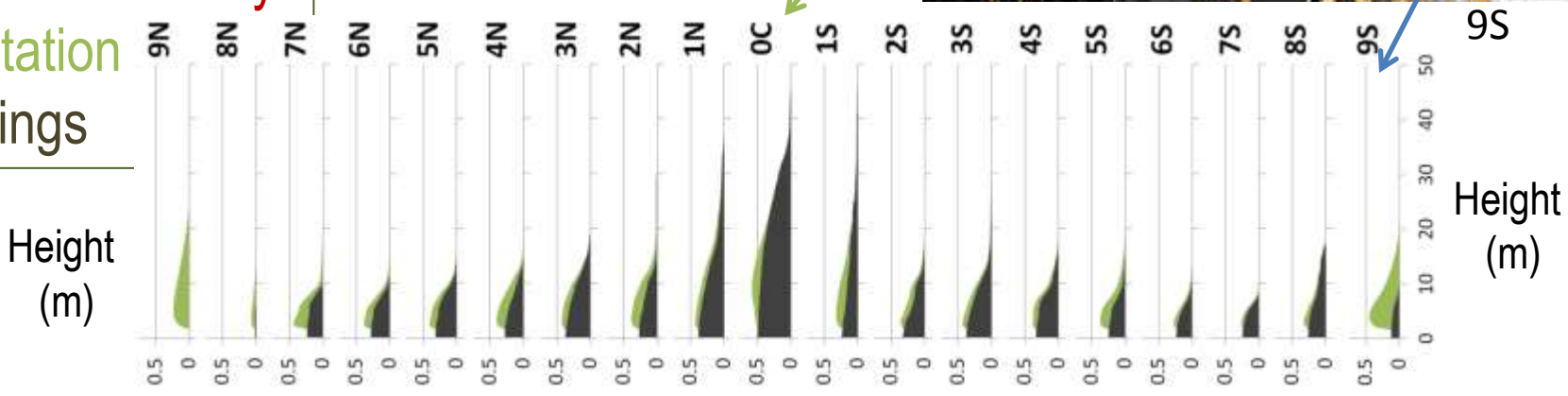
Vegetation Varies Across the City



Lindberg & Grimmond 2011 *Urban Ecosystems*



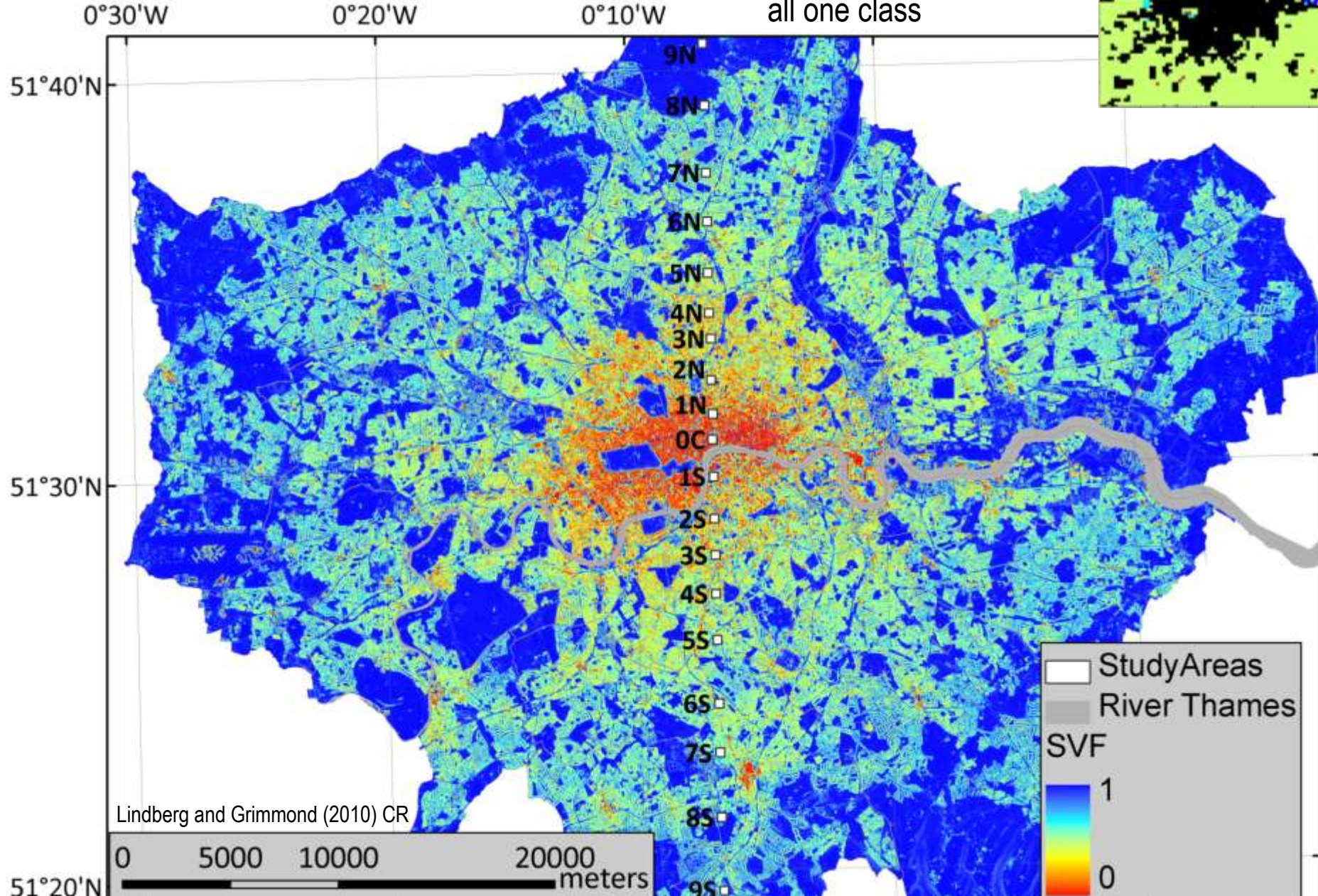
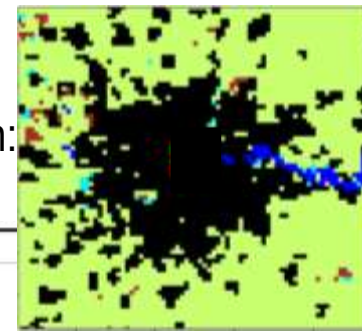
Plan area density
vegetation
buildings



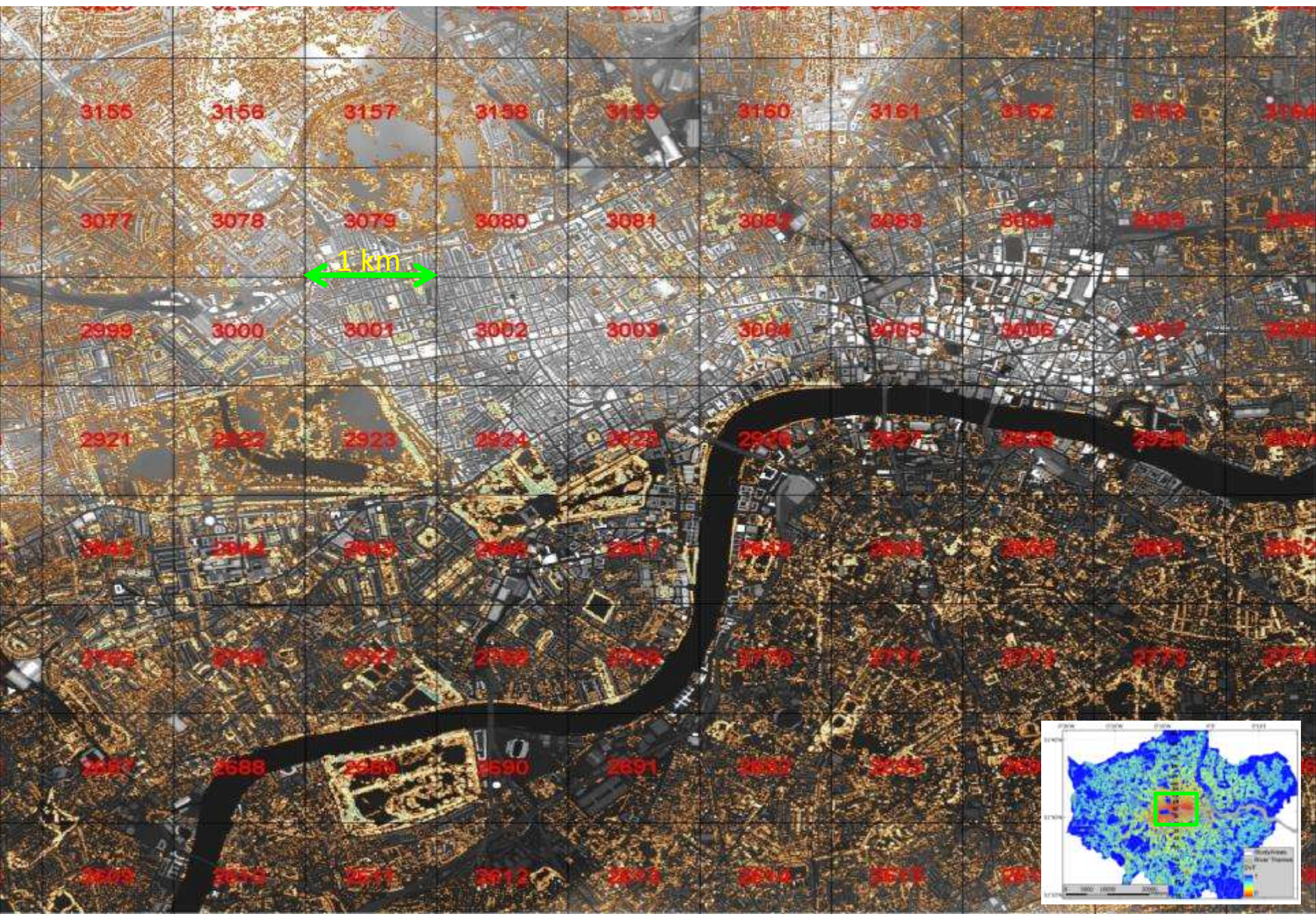
Where do we define class boundaries?

Sky View Factors, London

e.g. a USGS classification:
all one class



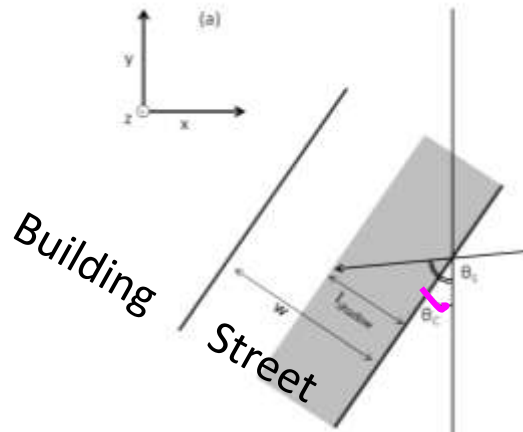
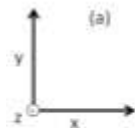
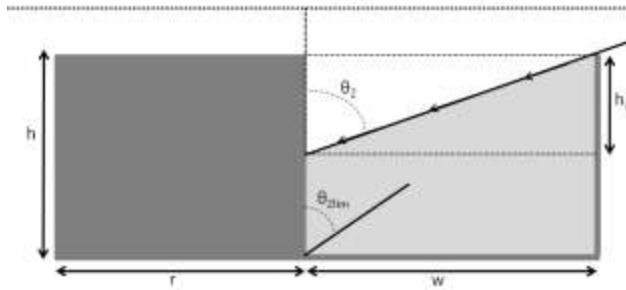
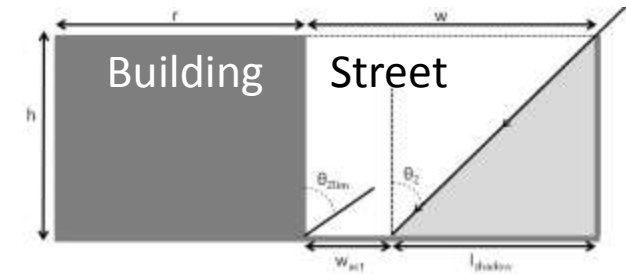
Need objective method to characterize the surface for observations and modelling



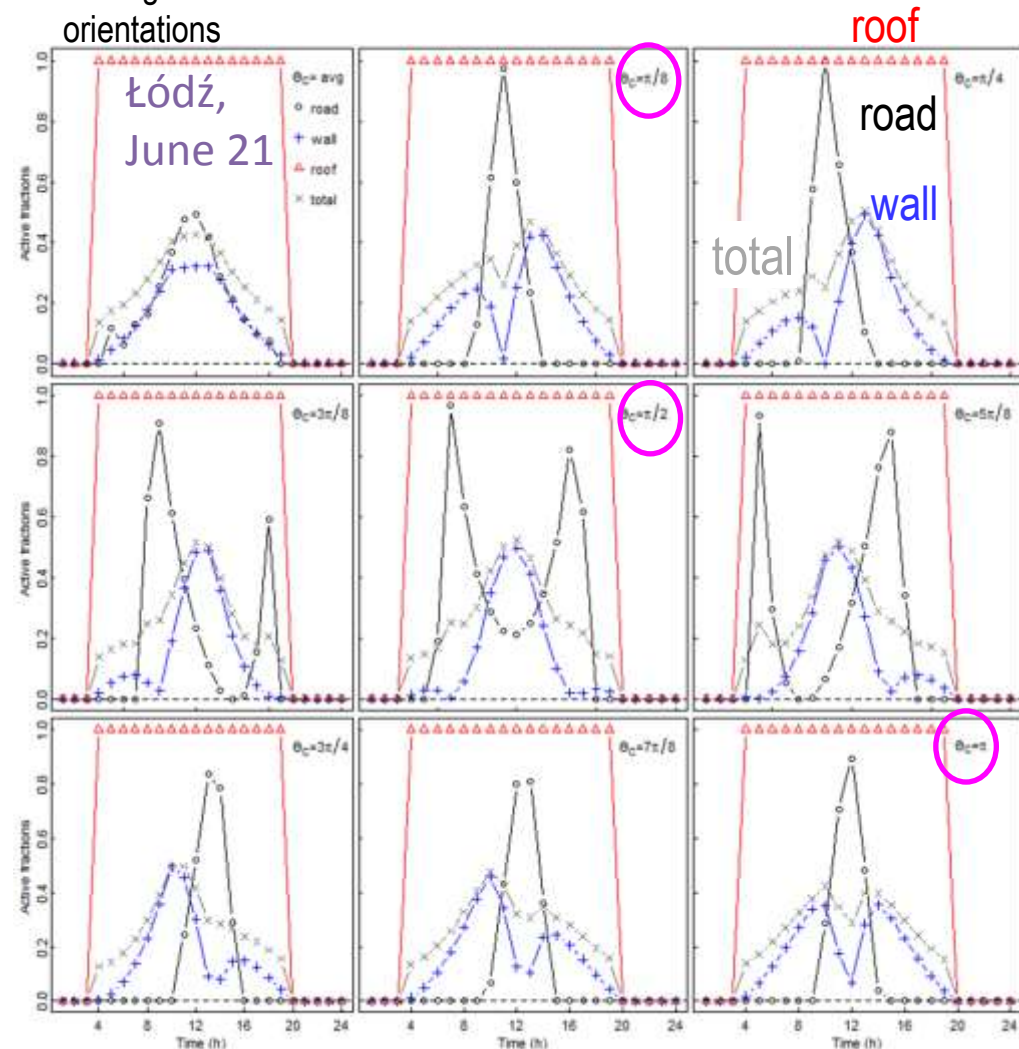
Active Surface Index: **Built** Component

- Dynamic with changing solar forcing through **day** and year

Loridan & Grimmond
(2012, JAMC)

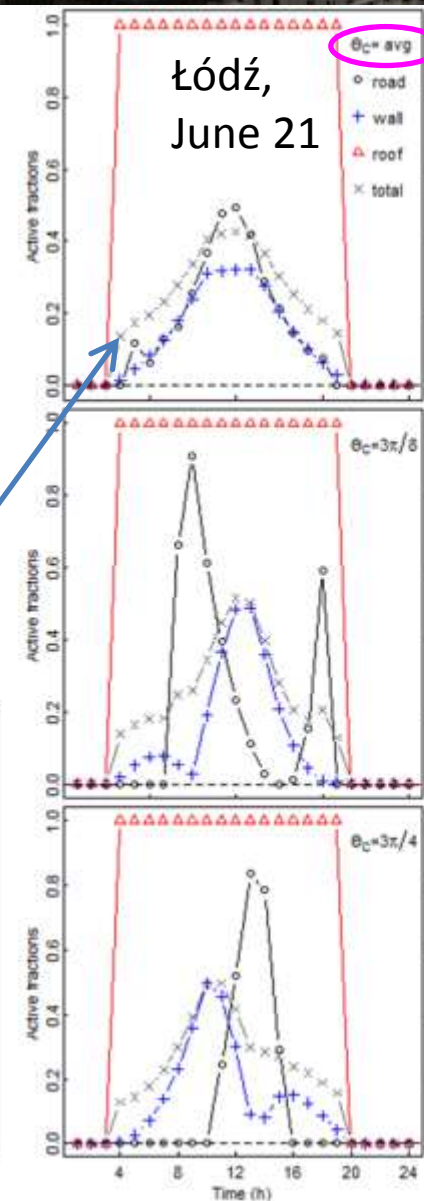
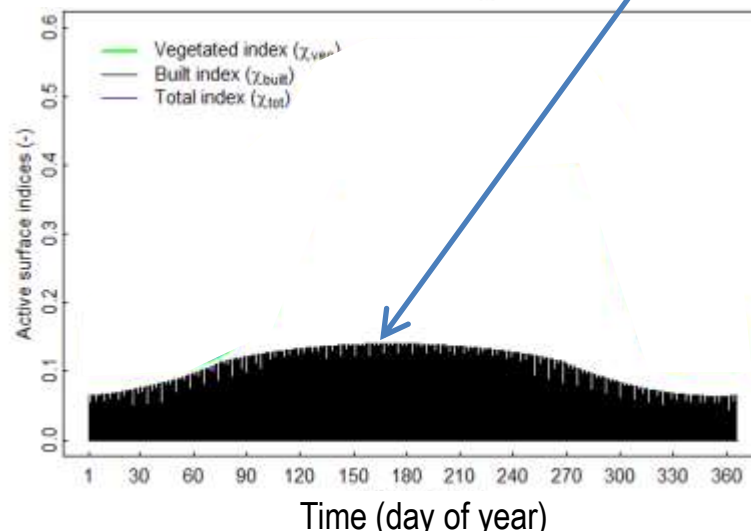
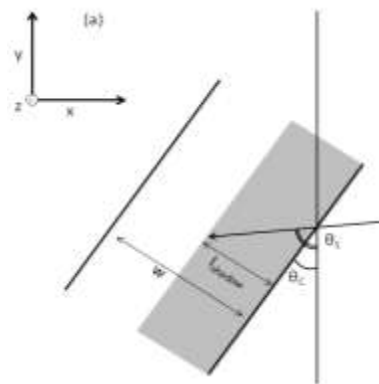
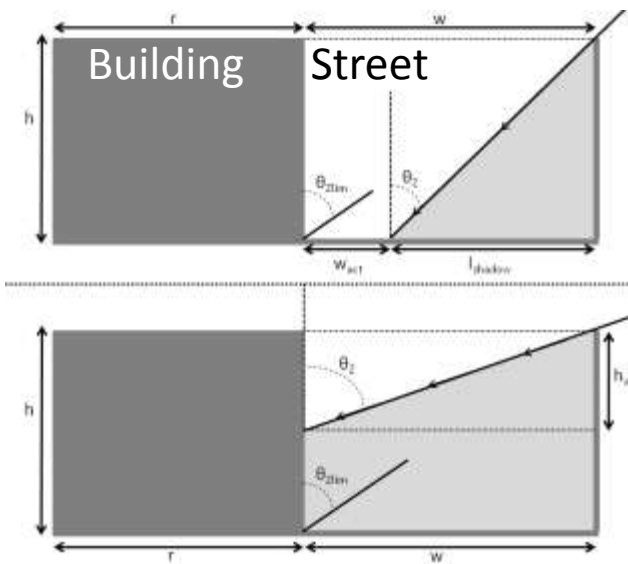


Average: all street
orientations



Active Surface Index: **Built** Component

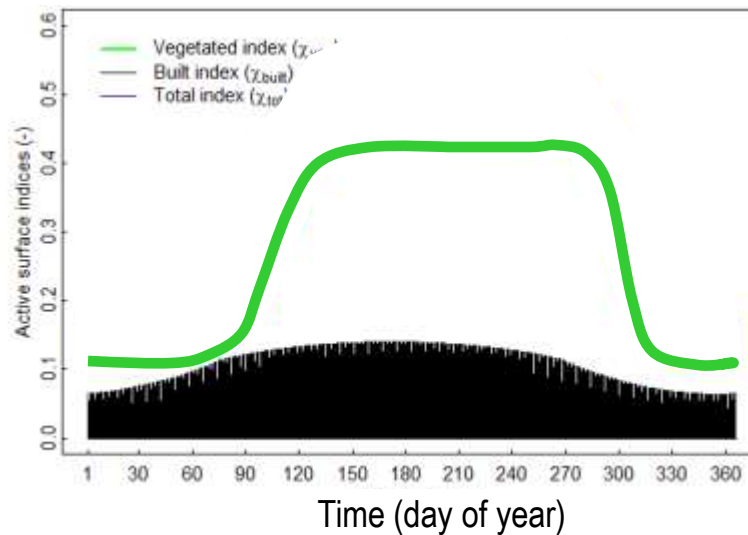
- Dynamic with changing solar forcing through **day** and **year**



Active Surface Index



- **Total** Active Index
- **Built** component
 - Dynamic with changing solar forcing through day and year
- **Vegetated** component
 - Changing vegetation cover (phenology)

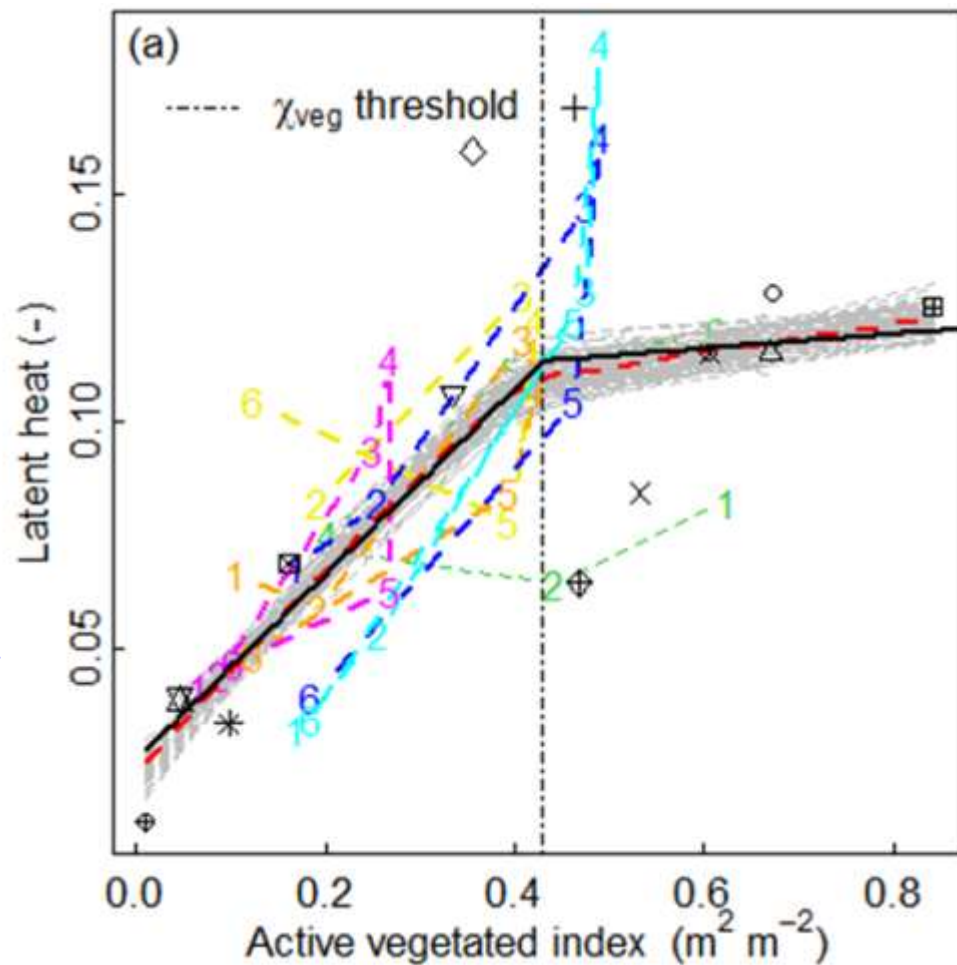


Latent Heat Flux & Active Vegetation Index



$$\frac{Q_E}{Q_{\downarrow}}$$

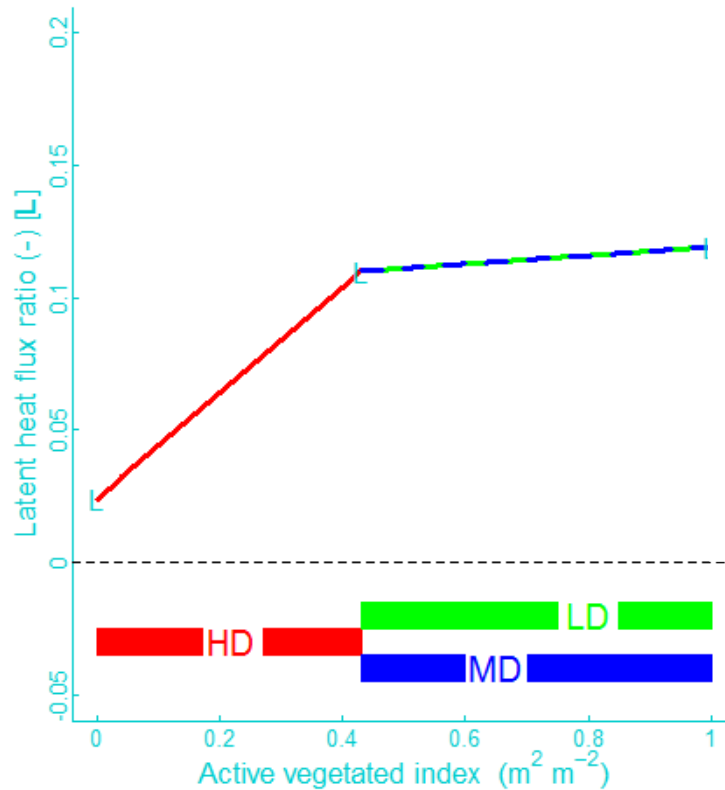
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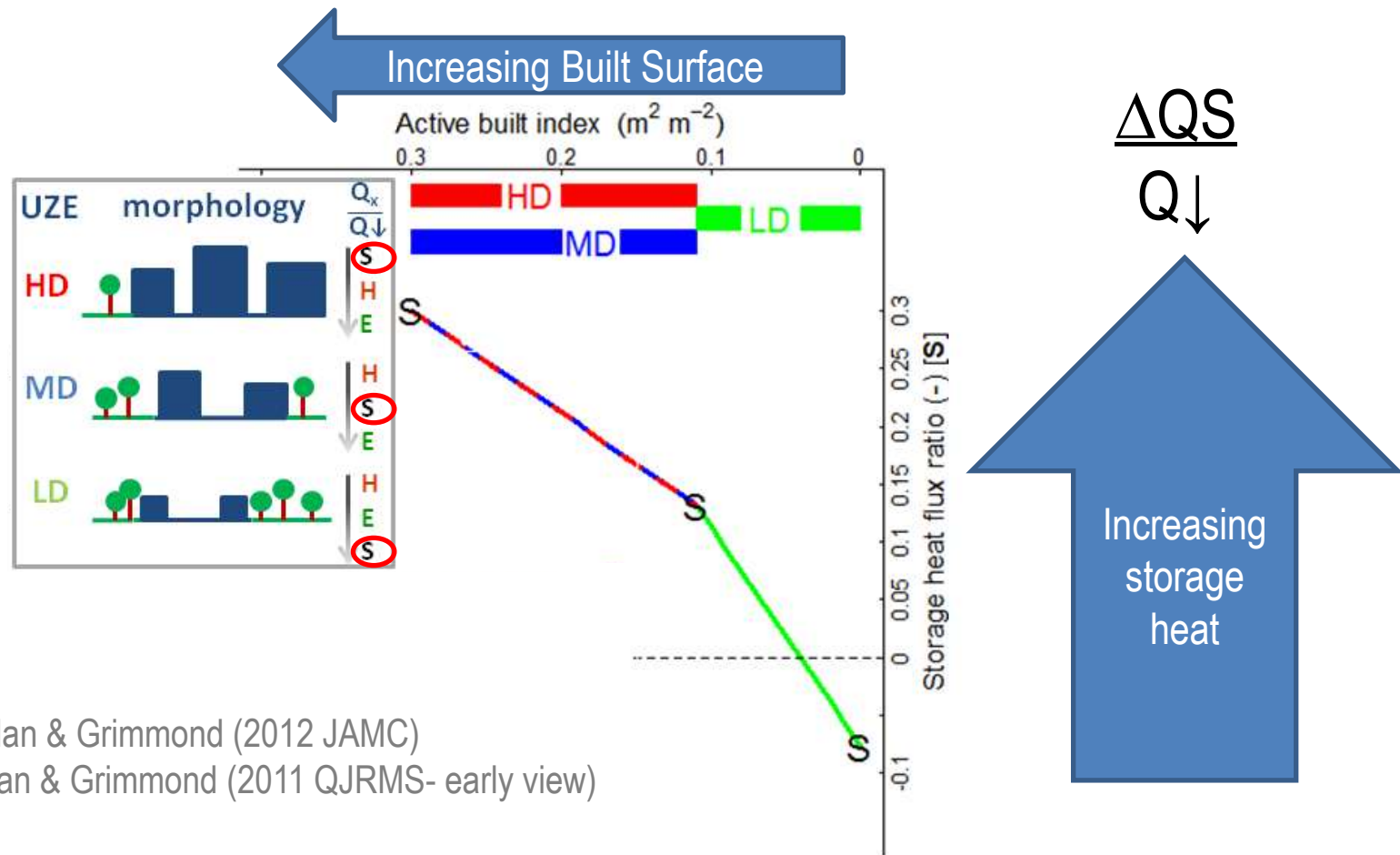
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|-----------|------|--------------------------|--------|
| 1 JAN-FEB | Mb06 | ◇ Ar93 | * VI92 |
| 2 MAR-APR | Lo01 | △ Ar94 | ⊕ Vs92 |
| 3 MAY-JUN | Lo02 | + Ch92 | ⊕ Me93 |
| 4 JUL-AUG | He08 | × Sg94 | ☆ Ou03 |
| 5 SEP-OCT | He09 | ◇ C95u | ⊞ Ok03 |
| 6 NOV-DEC | Tk01 | ▽ Mi95 | × S91u |
| | | ⊞ Ma01 | |
| | | ----- lowess (all data) | |
| | | ----- lowess (bootstrap) | |
| | | — regression | |

Latent Heat Flux & Active Vegetation Index

Small amounts of vegetation –
Large impact on flux partitioning



Storage Heat Flux



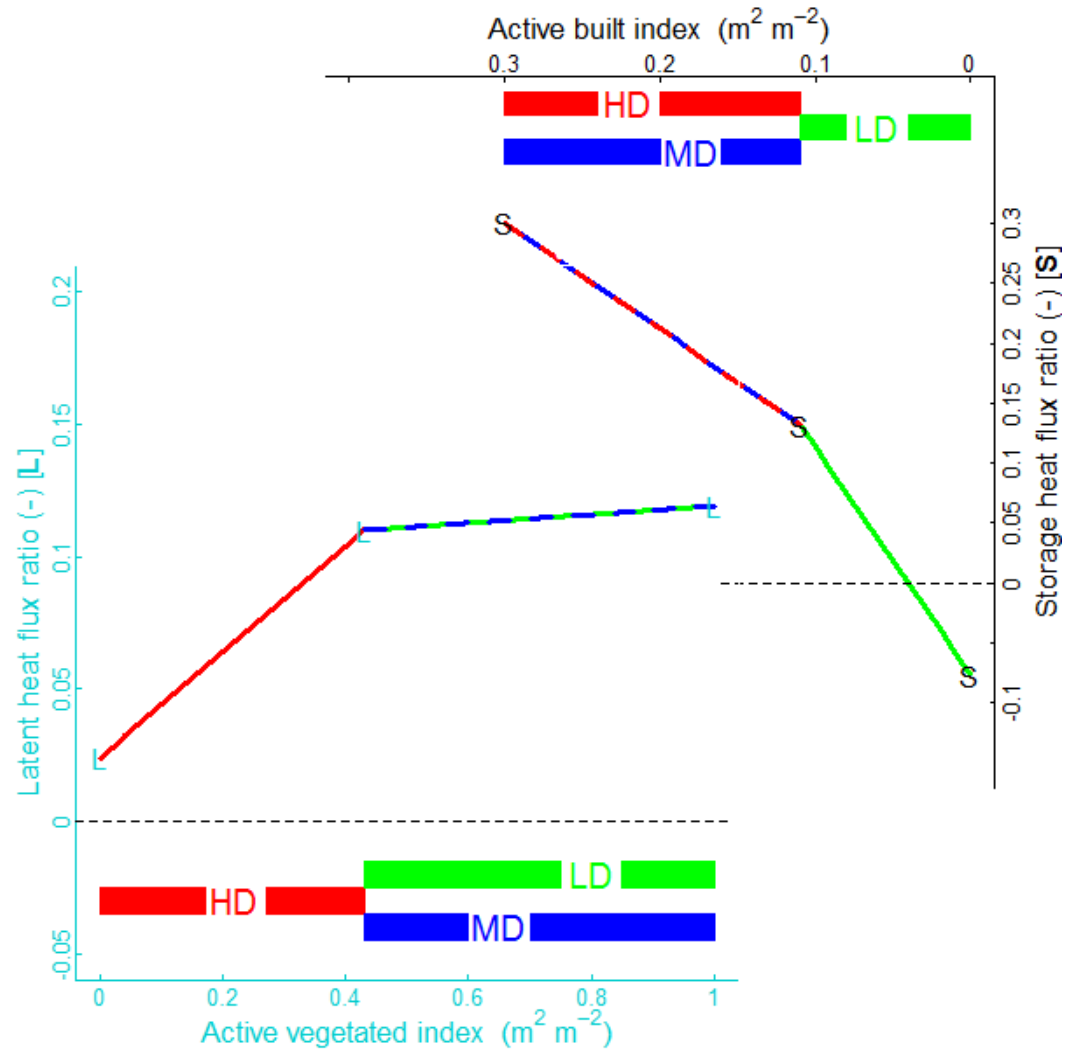
Midday hours

Building characteristics –
Large impact on flux partitioning

Detailed analysis Loridan & Grimmond (2012 JAMC)
Simplified figure: Loridan & Grimmond (2011 QJRMS- early view)

Surface Energy Flux Partitioning & Surface Characteristics

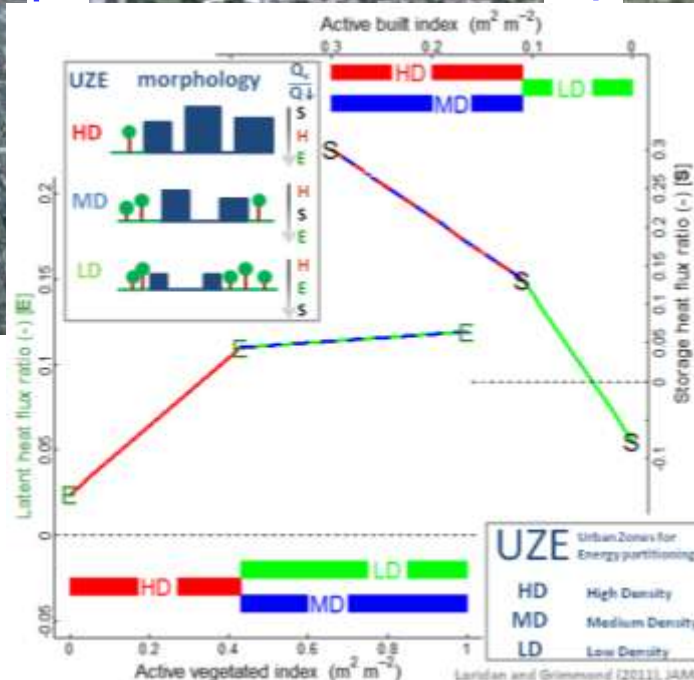
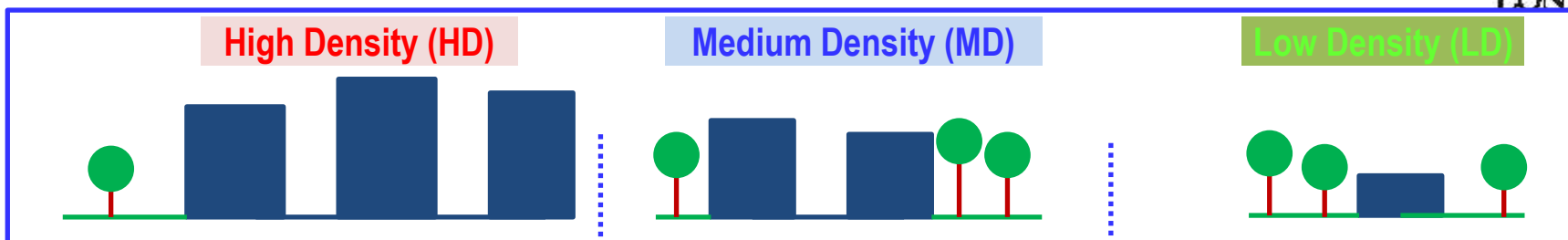
Combined –
major controls
on urban energy
flux partitioning



Detail analysis Loridan & Grimmond (2012 JAMC)

Simplified figure: Loridan & Grimmond (2011 QJRMS- early view)

Urban Zones to characterize Energy partitioning (**UZE**)

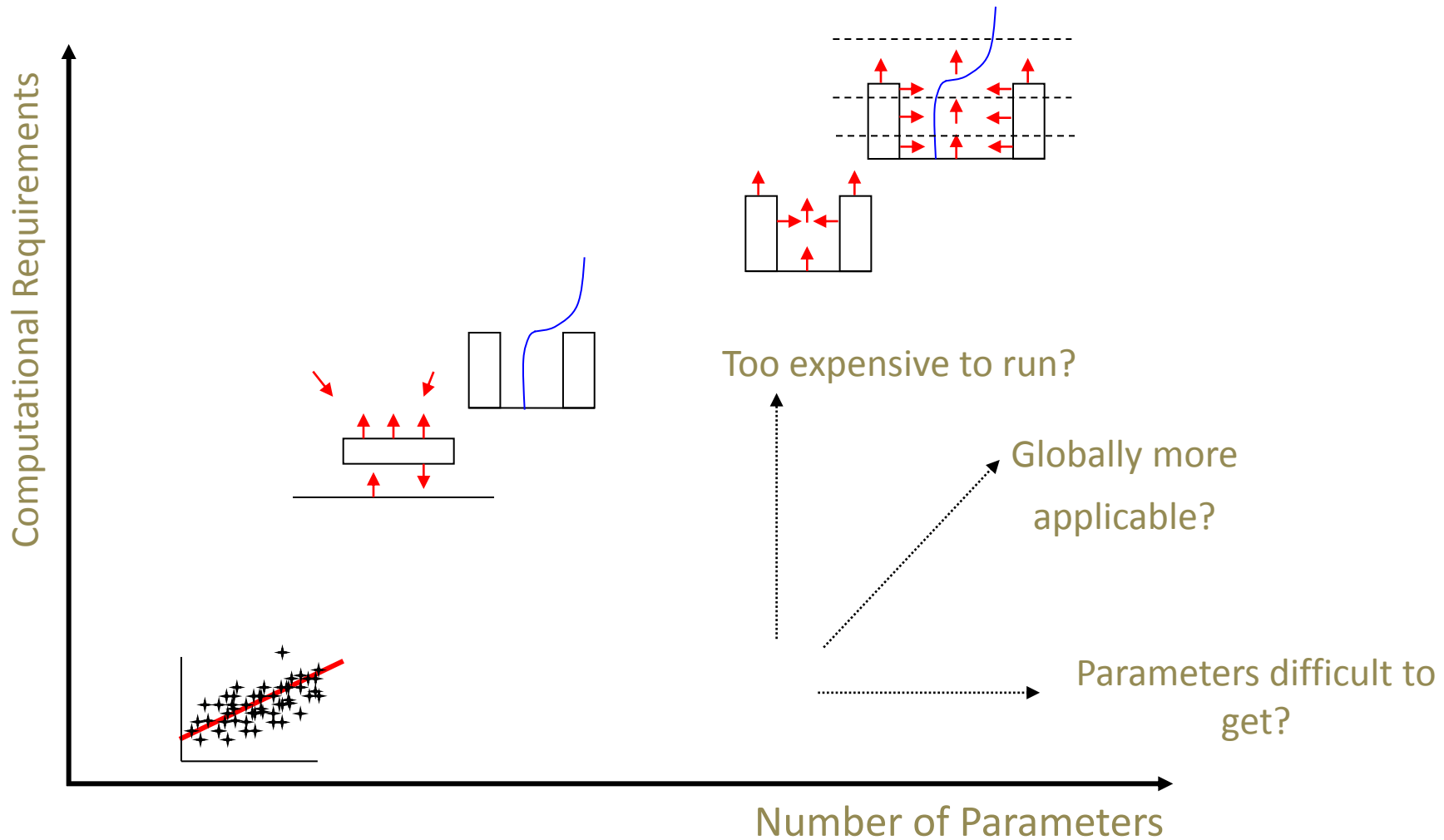


Loridan & Grimmond
(2012a,b JAMC, QJRMS)

UZE

most vegetated: *Low Density*
more urban: *Medium Density*
most urban: *High Density*

Complexity of Urban Land Surface Models



Approaches to Modelling (Grimmond et al. 2011 IJC)



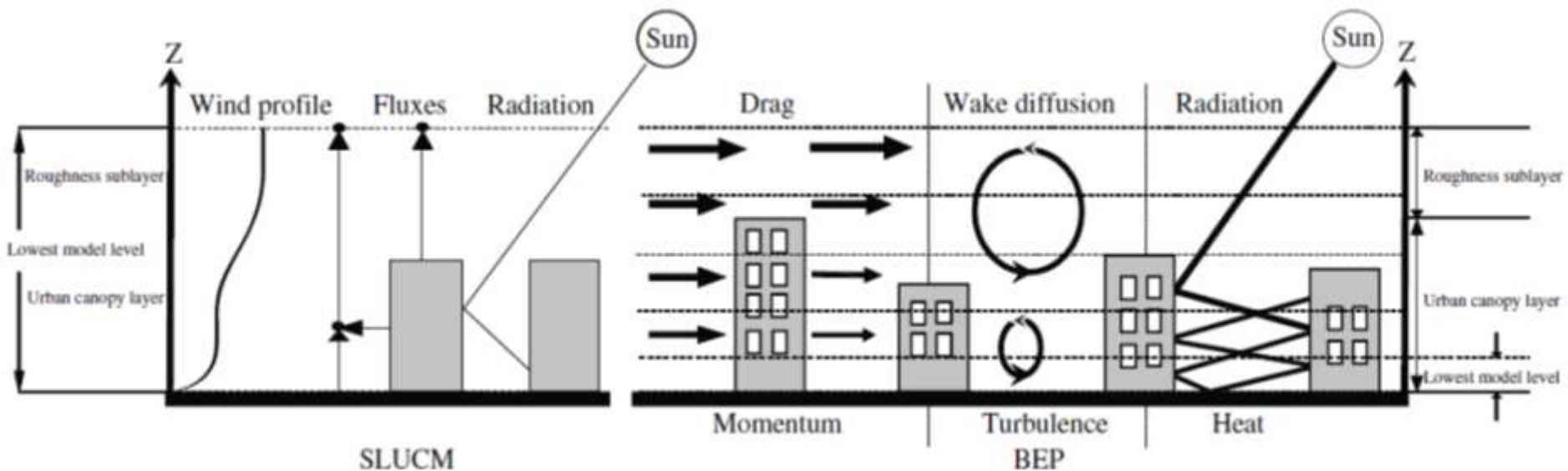
Fluxes included				Vegetation		
Q_f				Temporal Q_f		
Urban morphology				Facet/orientation		
Reflections				Albedo, emissivity		
Resistance				Surface temp. / moisture		
				Air temp. / moisture		
				ΔQ_s		

WRF and the Single Layer Urban Canopy Model



○ 3 urban schemes are available in **WRF** *:

- 1) **Slab scheme** (Noah-Slab): vegetation scheme tuned for urban applications
- 2) **Single layer Urban Canopy Model** (SLUCM, Kusaka et al., 2002)
- 3) **Multi layer UCM** (Martilli et al., 2002)

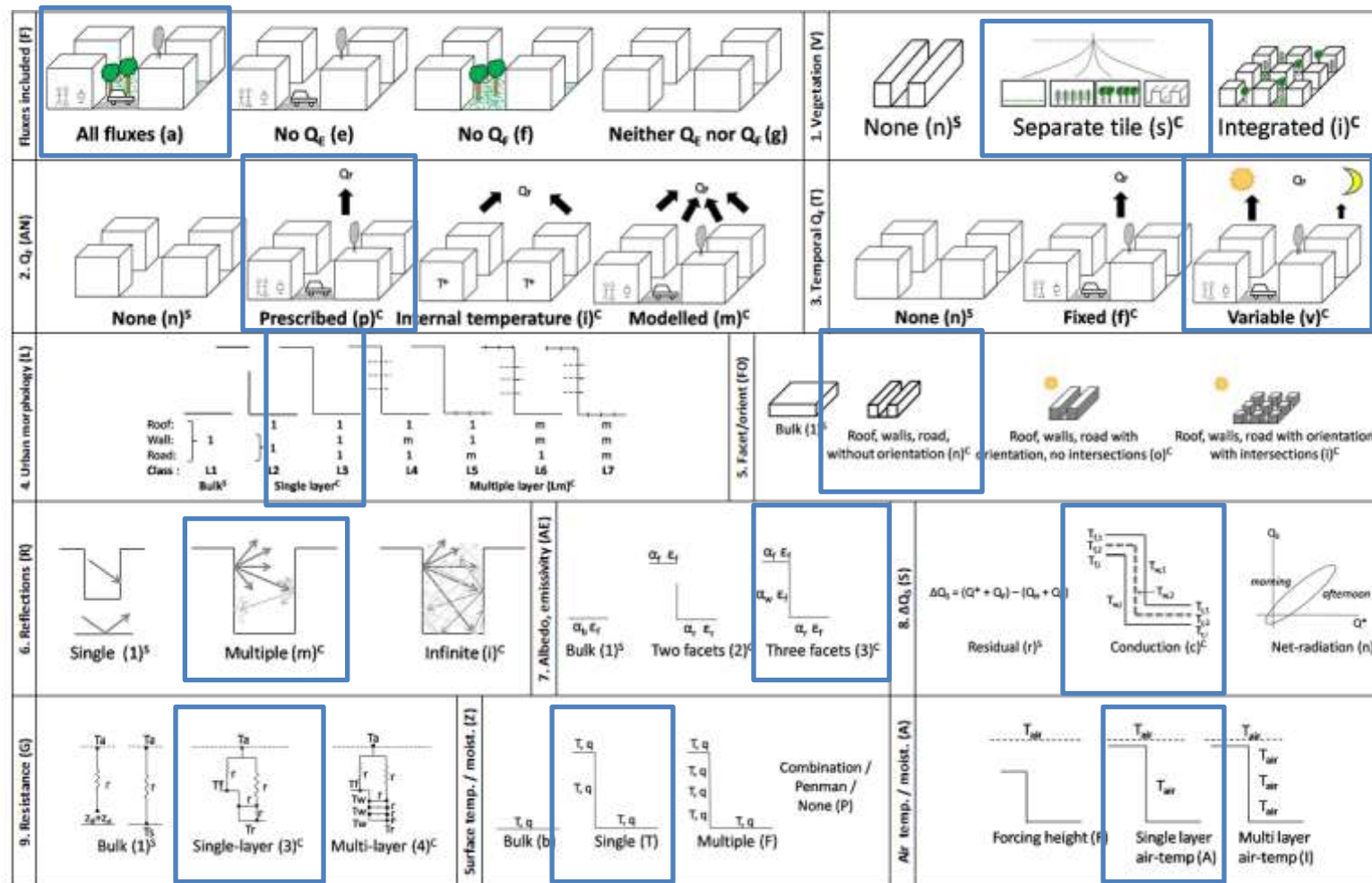


Chen et al. (2011) IJC

* Increasing number of LSM are being included

Single Layer Urban Canopy Model (SLUCM)

Kusaka et al. (2001); Kusaka and Kimura (2004)



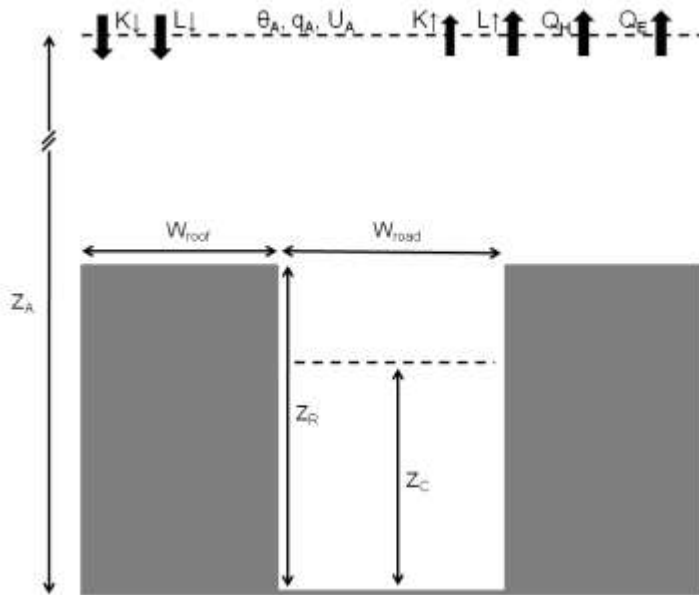
Medium complexity

Input Parameters



NOAH/SLUCM:

Total: 68 parameters



	Parameter	Min	Max	Default	Parameter Definition
1	Z_R	12.6	18.6	15.6	Roof height (m)
2	W_{roof}	11.2	31.2	21.2	Roof width (m)
3	W_{road}	3.6	15.6	9.6	Road width (m)
4	σ_Z	1.0	15.0	9.0	Standard deviation of roof height (m)
5	a_K	0.5	2.0	1.29	Empirical coefficient from Kanda et al. (2007)
6	α_{roof}	0.05	0.4	0.22	Roof albedo (-)
7	α_{wall}	0.05	0.55	0.20	Wall albedo (-)
8	α_{road}	0.05	0.25	0.08	Road albedo (-)
9	ϵ_{roof}	0.85	0.98	0.90	Roof emissivity (-)
10	ϵ_{wall}	0.85	0.98	0.90	Wall emissivity (-)
11	ϵ_{road}	0.85	0.98	0.94	Road emissivity (-)
12	k_{roof}	0.19	1.5	0.90	Conductivity of roof materials ($\text{W m}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$)
13	k_{wall}	0.09	2.3	0.55	Conductivity of wall materials ($\text{W m}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$)
14	k_{road}	0.03	2.1	1.77	Conductivity of road materials ($\text{W m}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$)
15	C_{roof}	$0.6 \cdot 10^6$	$2.3 \cdot 10^6$	$1.77 \cdot 10^6$	Heat capacity of roof materials ($\text{J m}^{-3} \text{K}^{-1}$)
16	C_{wall}	$0.4 \cdot 10^6$	$2.3 \cdot 10^6$	$1.67 \cdot 10^6$	Heat capacity of wall materials ($\text{J m}^{-3} \text{K}^{-1}$)
17	C_{road}	$0.3 \cdot 10^6$	$2.3 \cdot 10^6$	$1.89 \cdot 10^6$	Heat capacity of road materials ($\text{J m}^{-3} \text{K}^{-1}$)
18	$d_{z,\text{roof}}$	0.05	0.5	0.32	Total thickness of roof layers (m)
19	$d_{z,\text{wall}}$	0.1	1.0	0.26	Total thickness of wall layers (m)
20	$d_{z,\text{road}}$	0.5	2.0	1.24	Total thickness of road layers (m)
21	$d_{z\text{frac},\text{roof}}(1)$	0.02	0.1	0.062	Fraction of $d_{z,\text{roof}}$ covered by layer 1
22	$d_{z\text{frac},\text{roof}}(2)$	0.1	0.49	0.468	Fraction of $d_{z,\text{roof}}$ covered by layer 2
23	$d_{z\text{frac},\text{roof}}(3)$	0.1	0.4	0.375	Fraction of $d_{z,\text{roof}}$ covered by layer 3
24	$d_{z\text{frac},\text{wall}}(1)$	0.02	0.1	0.038	Fraction of $d_{z,\text{wall}}$ covered by layer 1
25	$d_{z\text{frac},\text{wall}}(2)$	0.1	0.3	0.154	Fraction of $d_{z,\text{wall}}$ covered by layer 2
26	$d_{z\text{frac},\text{wall}}(3)$	0.1	0.59	0.577	Fraction of $d_{z,\text{wall}}$ covered by layer 3
27	$d_{z\text{frac},\text{road}}(1)$	0.02	0.1	0.032	Fraction of $d_{z,\text{road}}$ covered by layer 1
28	$d_{z\text{frac},\text{road}}(2)$	0.1	0.4	0.16	Fraction of $d_{z,\text{road}}$ covered by layer 2
29	$d_{z\text{frac},\text{road}}(3)$	0.1	0.49	0.4	Fraction of $d_{z,\text{road}}$ covered by layer 3
30	urb	0.764	0.964	0.864	Urban fraction (-)
31	R_{cmin}	40	400	170	Stomatal resistance (s m^{-1})
32	R_{gl}	30	100	100	Radiation stress parameter (-)
33	h_s	36.25	54.56	39.18	Vapor pressure deficit parameter (-)
34	α_{veg}	0.10	0.30	0.23	Vegetation albedo (-)
35	ϵ_{veg}	0.88	0.97	0.93	Vegetation emissivity (-)
36	$z_{0,\text{veg}}$	0.03	1.6	0.05	Roughness length for momentum - vegetation (m)
37	θ_s	0.339	0.476	0.465	Maximum soil moisture content ($\text{m}^3 \text{m}^{-3}$)
38	θ_{ref}	0.236	0.453	0.382	Reference soil moisture content ($\text{m}^3 \text{m}^{-3}$)
39	θ_w	0.010	0.2	0.103	Wilting point ($\text{m}^3 \text{m}^{-3}$)
40	θ_{dry}	0.010	0.2	0.103	Dry soil moisture content ($\text{m}^3 \text{m}^{-3}$)
41	LAI	1.0	5.0	3.0	Leaf Area Index ($\text{m}^2 \text{m}^{-2}$)
42	σ_f	0.1	0.8	0.7	Green vegetation fraction (-)
43	QTZ	0.10	0.92	0.35	Soil quartz content (-)
44	C_{soil}	$0.5 \cdot 10^6$	$4.0 \cdot 10^6$	$1.26 \cdot 10^6$	Soil heat capacity ($\text{J m}^{-3} \text{K}^{-1}$)
45	C_{ZIL}	0.01	1.0	0.1	Zilitinkevitch parameter

Optimum state: 100 solutions clustered together

No optimum state: 'trade-offs' in the modelling of the 2 fluxes

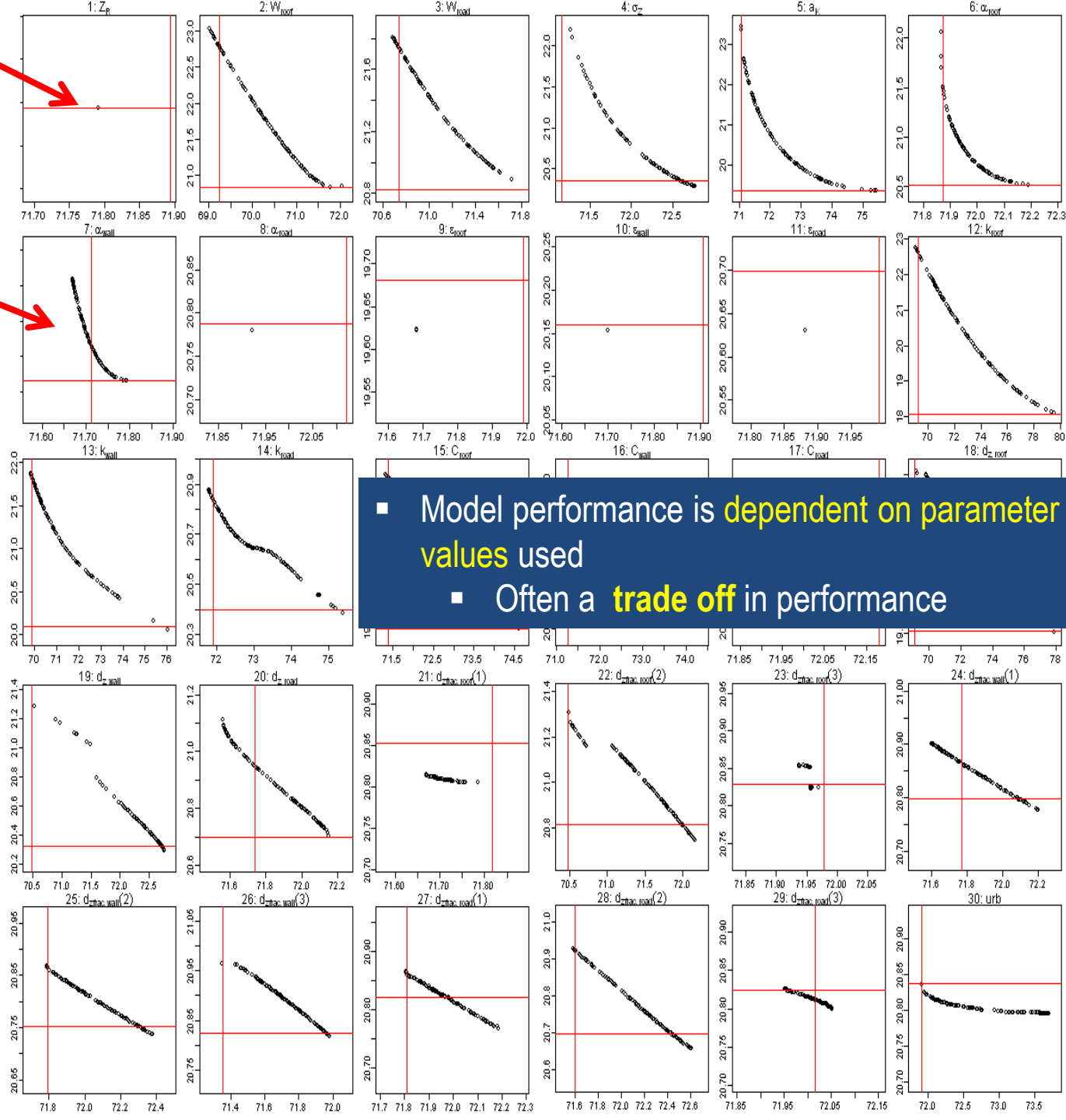
RMSE for Q^* (W m^{-2})

Objective space of 100 samples: each point is an optimized model run

RMSE for Q_H (W m^{-2})

- Optimized samples
- Best *single* objective run (for Q^* and Q_H)

Loridan et al. (2010) QJRM



SLUCM sensitivity

(a)	Parameter	Default	Optimum	Gain in Q^* ($\Delta RMSE$)	Impact on Q_H ($\Delta RMSE$)	Impact on Q_E ($\Delta RMSE$)
1	α_{roof}	0.22	0.135	-12.39	6.35	0
2	a_K	1.29	0.529	-7.60	6.17	0
3	α_{wall}	0.2	0.052	-6.62	0.56	0
4	α_{veg}	0.23	0.102	-6.36	1.17	-0.74
5	W_{roof}	21.2	11.2	-3.54	-2.89	0
6	W_{road}	9.6	15.6	-3.21	-1.03	0

Rankings for Q^* and Q_H :
value change **which leads to the best improvement** from the default

Important to know **which parameters the model is most sensitive to**

For applications: important to know the model **can respond to the appropriate changes** in parameter values

(b)	Parameter	Default	Optimum	Gain in Q_H ($\Delta RMSE$)	Impact on Q^* ($\Delta RMSE$)	Impact on Q_E ($\Delta RMSE$)
1	k_{roof}	0.9	1.495	-3.38	0.78	0
2	$d_{z,\text{roof}}$	0.32	0.16	-2.93	0.49	0
3	W_{roof}	21.2	11.2	-2.89	-3.54	0
4	k_{wall}	0.55	2.3	-2.22	-0.96	0
5	a_K	1.29	1.999	-1.90	7.12	0
6	σ_Z	9	3.168	-1.80	7.55	0

PILPS – Urban: International Urban Energy Balance Model Comparison

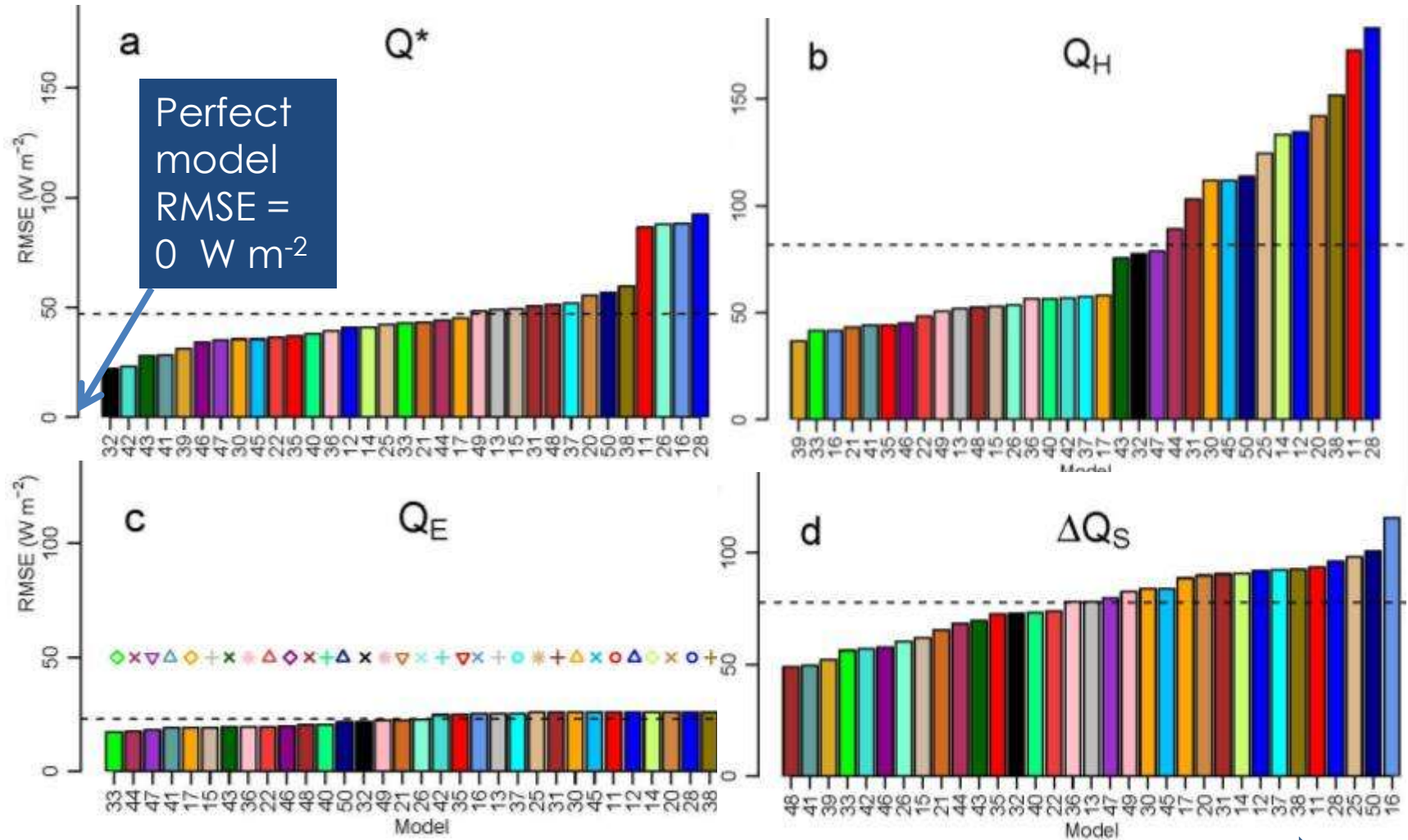


Code	Model Name	References	Versions	Groups
BEP02	Building Effect Parameterization	Martilli et al. (2002)	1	1
BEP_BEM08	BEP coupled with Building Energy Model	Martilli et al. (2002), Salamanca et al. (2009), Salamanca and Martilli (2009)	1	1
CLMU	Model - Urban	Oleson et al. (2008a, b)	1	1
GCTTC	Green Cluster Thermal Time Constant model	Shashua-Bar and Hoffman (2002; 2004)	1	1
IISUCM	Science Urban Canopy Model	Kawamoto and Ooka (2006; 2009a; b)	1	1
JULES	Joint Land Environment Simulator	Essery et al. (2003), Best (2005), Best et al. (2006)	4	2
LUMPS	Local-scale Urban Meteorological Parameterization Scheme	Grimmond and Oke (2002), Offerle et al. (2003)	2	1
NKUA	Model	Dandou et al. (2005)	1	1
MORUSES	Met Office Reading Urban Surface Exchange Scheme	Harman et al. (2004 a,b), Porson et al. (2009)	2	1
MUCM	Multi-layer Urban Canopy Model	Kondo and Liu (1998), Kondo et al. (2005)	1	1
NJU--S	Nanjing University Urban Canopy Model-single layer	Masson(2000), Kusaka (2001)	1	1
NJUC-UM-M	Nanjing University Urban Canopy Model-multiple layer	Kondo et al.(2005), Kanda(2005a; b)	1	1
NSLUCM / NSLUCMK / NSLUCM-WRF	Noah land surface model/Single-layer Urban Canopy Model	Kusaka et al. (2001), Chen et al. (2004)	3	3
SM2U	Soil Model for Submesoscales (Urbanized)	Dupont and Mestayer (2006), Dupont et al. (2006)	1	1
SNUUCM	Urban Canopy Model	Ryu et al. (2009)	1	1
SRUM2/SRUM4	Single Column Reading Urban Model tile version	Harman and Belcher (2006), Porson et al. (2009)	4	1
SUEB	Slab Urban Energy Balance Model	Fortuniak et al. (2004, 2005)	1	1
SUMM	Simple Urban Energy Balance Model for Mesoscale Simulation	Kanda et al. (2005a,b; 2007), Kawai et al. 2007, 2009)	1	1
TEB	Town Energy Balance	Masson (2000), Masson et al. (2002), Lemonsu et al. (2004)	1	1
TEB07	Town Energy Balance 7	Hamdi and Masson (2008)	1	1
TUF2D	Temperatures of Urban Facets 2D	Krayenhoff and Voogt (2007)	1	1
TUF3D	Temperatures of Urban Facets 3D	Krayenhoff and Voogt (2007)	1	1
VUCM	Vegetated Urban Canopy Model	Lee and Park (2008)	1	1

Evaluation with Vancouver Industrial Area observations

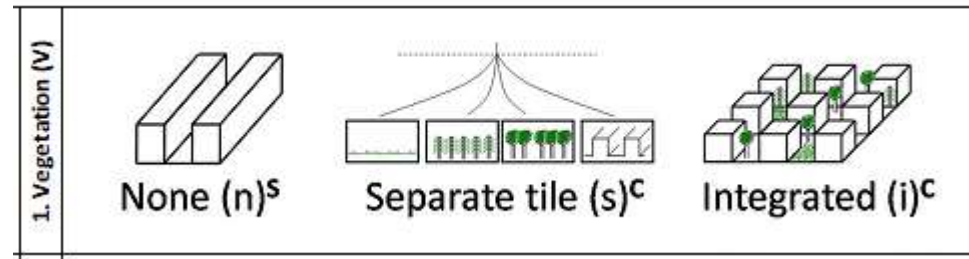


VL92: Ranked RMSE, All hours (N=312), Four Fluxes, **33 models**

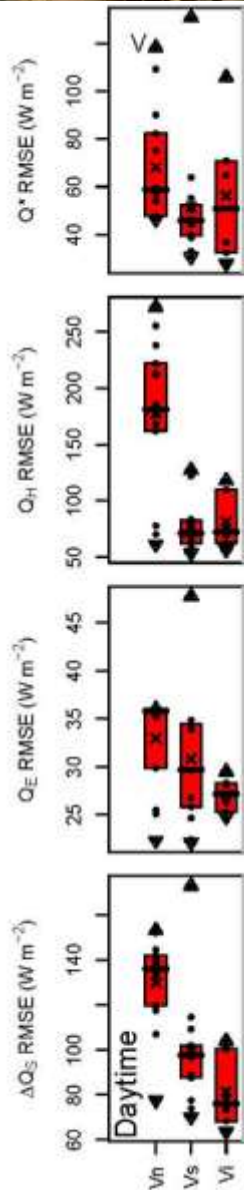


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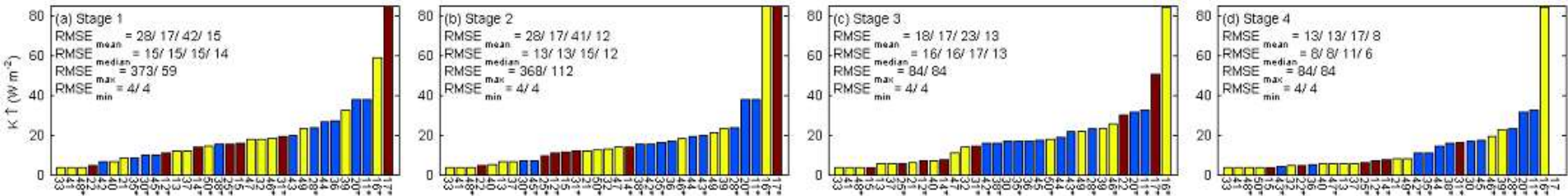
VL92 Model Classes, Daytime RMSE



Vegetation matters – for all fluxes
Even in an area with very little vegetation



Amount information known about the surface is important



Phase 2 (Melbourne): Outgoing Shortwave Radiation

Increasing Information about the site

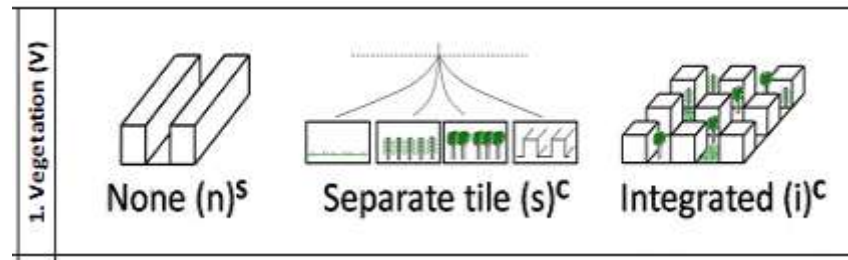
Observations	Plan area fraction	Heights	Material characteristics
Latitude, Longitude (dummy)	(pervious, impervious)	Plan area fraction (Impervious $\Rightarrow$ road/building)	Albedo, Thermal properties
1	2	3	4

Yellow	Simple
Blue	Medium
Crimson	Complex

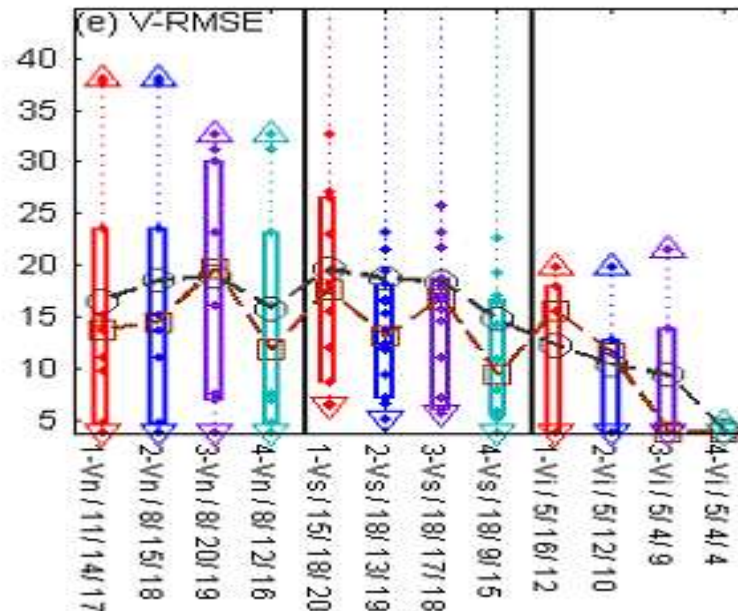
(Melbourne) : Outgoing Shortwave Radiation

Increasing Information about the site

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RMSE
(W m⁻²)



Cut off at 0.4 of maximum RMSE

Median $\square$ IQR $\square$

Mean $\odot$

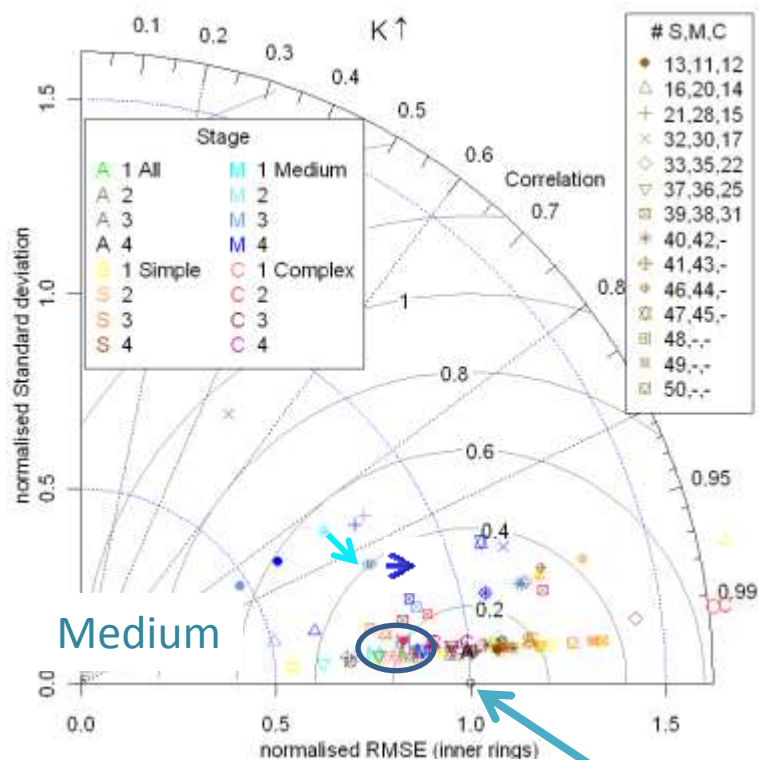
• Individual model RMSE

Phase 2: PILPS – Urban:

K↑



Normalized
Standard Deviation



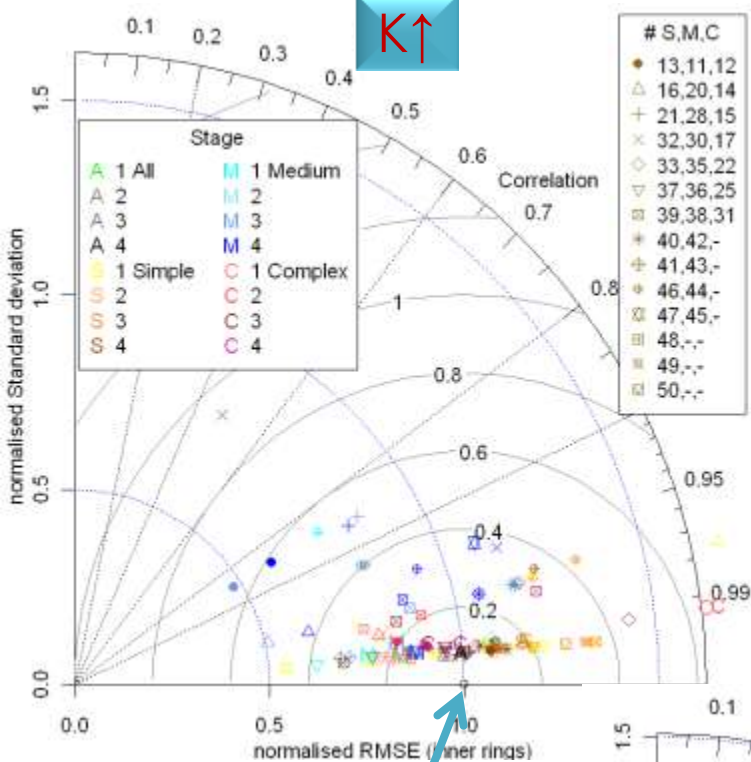
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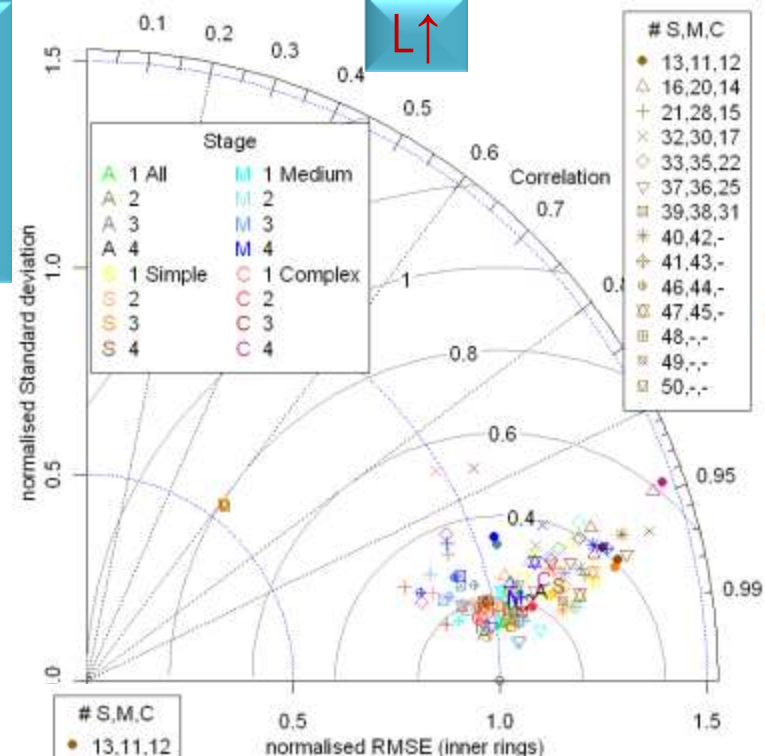
Normalized RMSE

“Perfect” Model

Symbols: individual models
1-4: increasing information about site
Letters: Ensemble model results

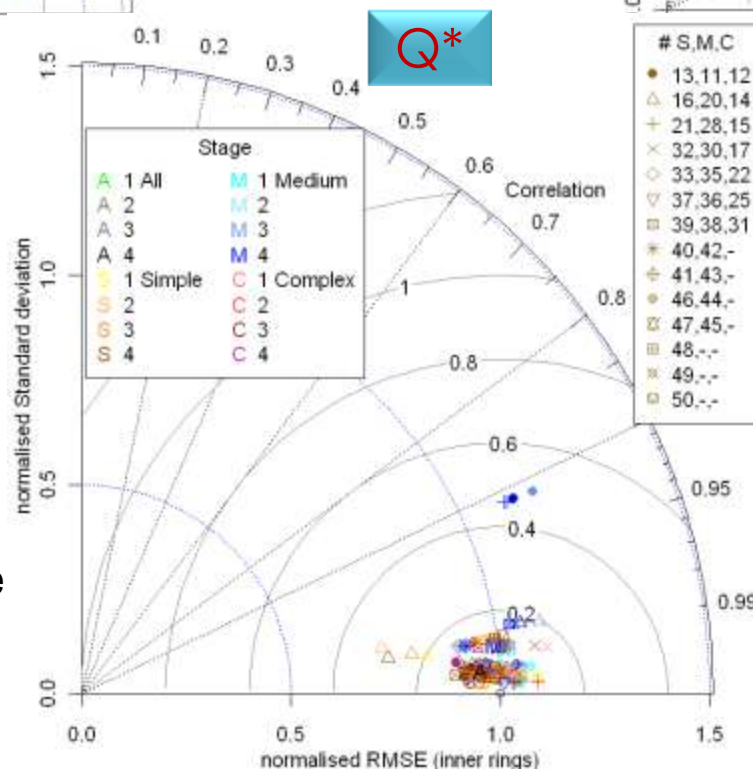


Overall
Performance
Radiation
K↑, L↑, Q*



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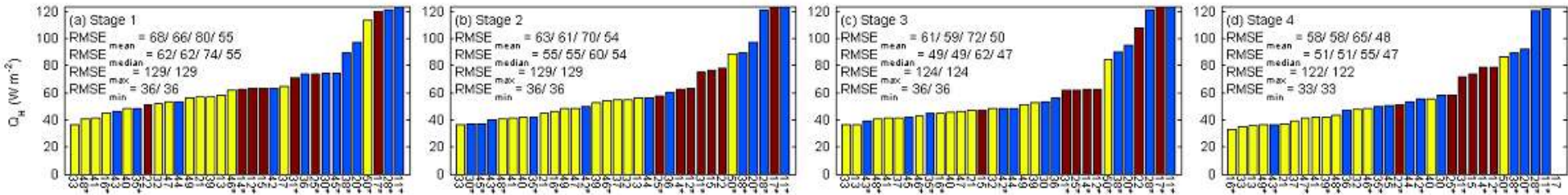
Phase 2: PILPS - Urban

Grimmond et al. (2011) IJC

Melbourne: Turbulent Sensible Heat Flux

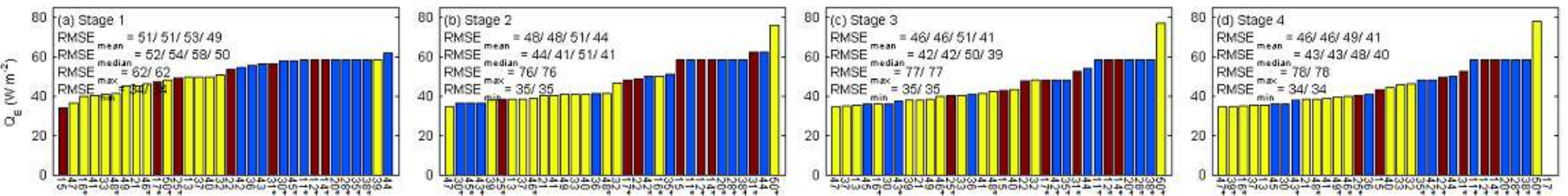


Mean Obs. Flux: 37.9 W m^{-2} All hours 12 months

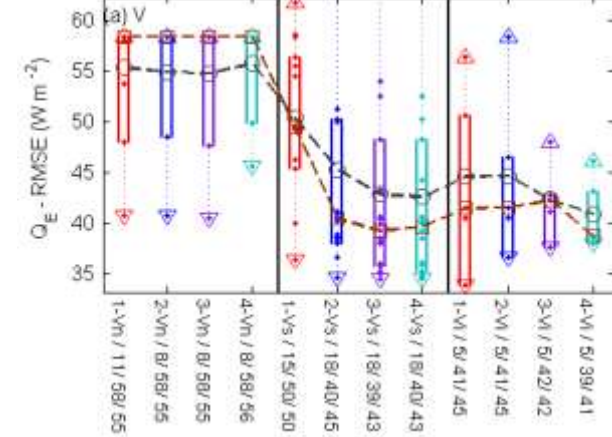
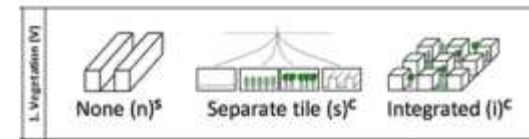
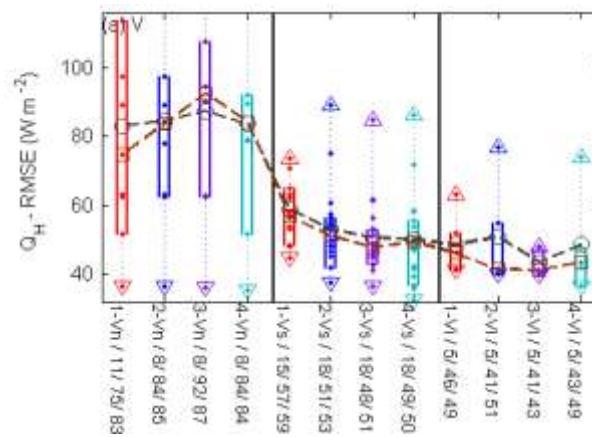
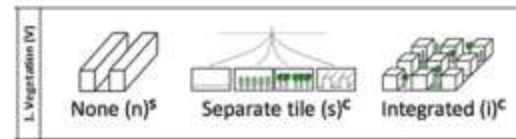


Turbulent Latent Heat Flux

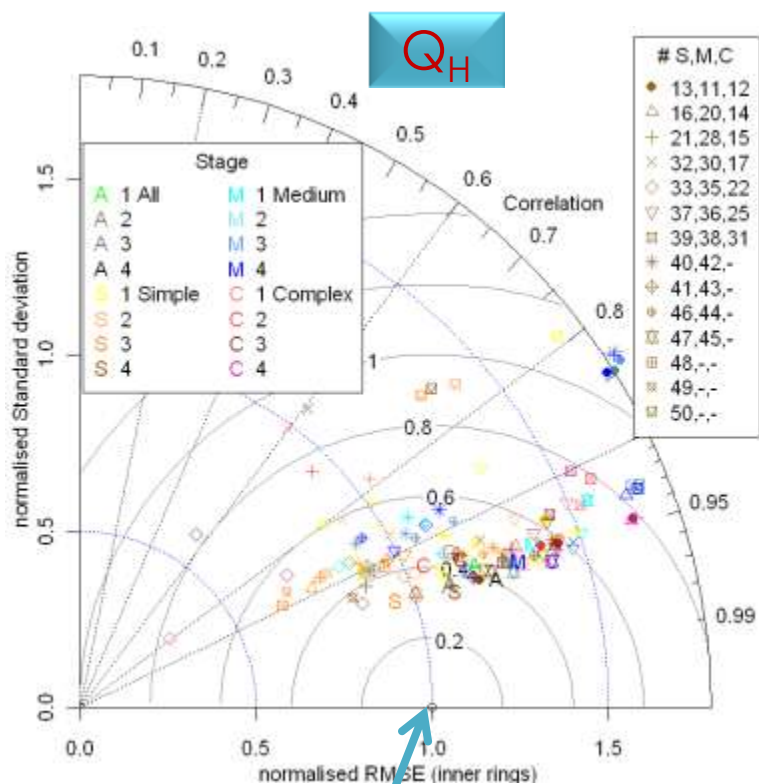
Mean Obs. Flux: 32.5 W m^{-2}



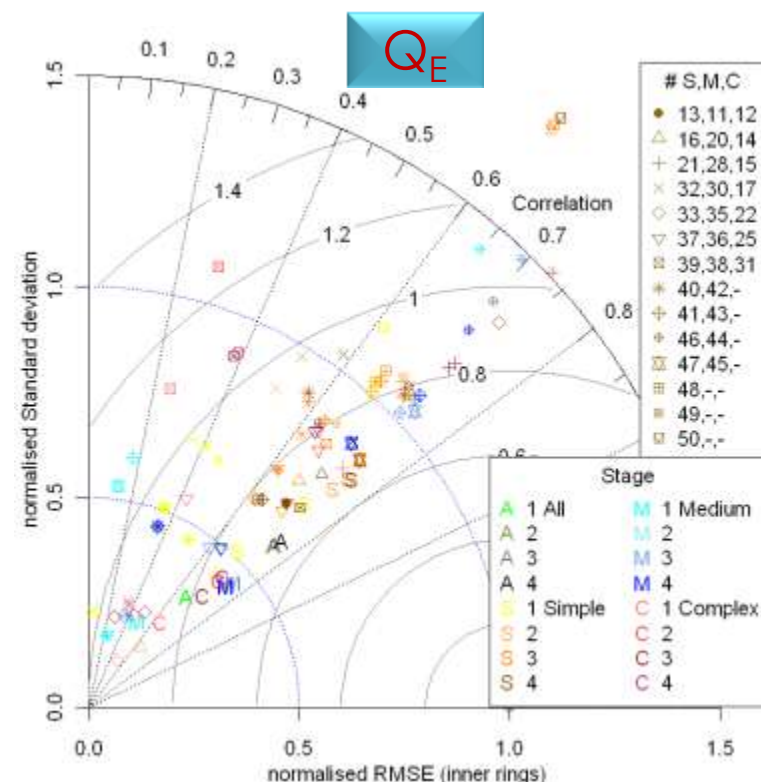
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Overall performance: Q_H , Q_E Phase 2: PILPS- Urban



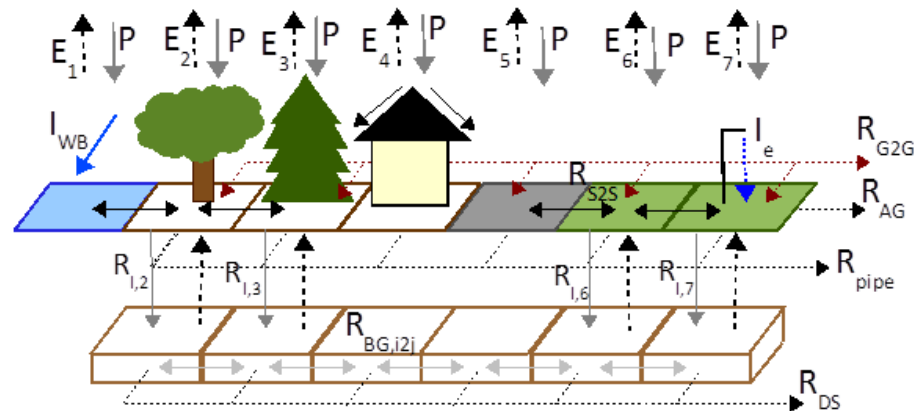
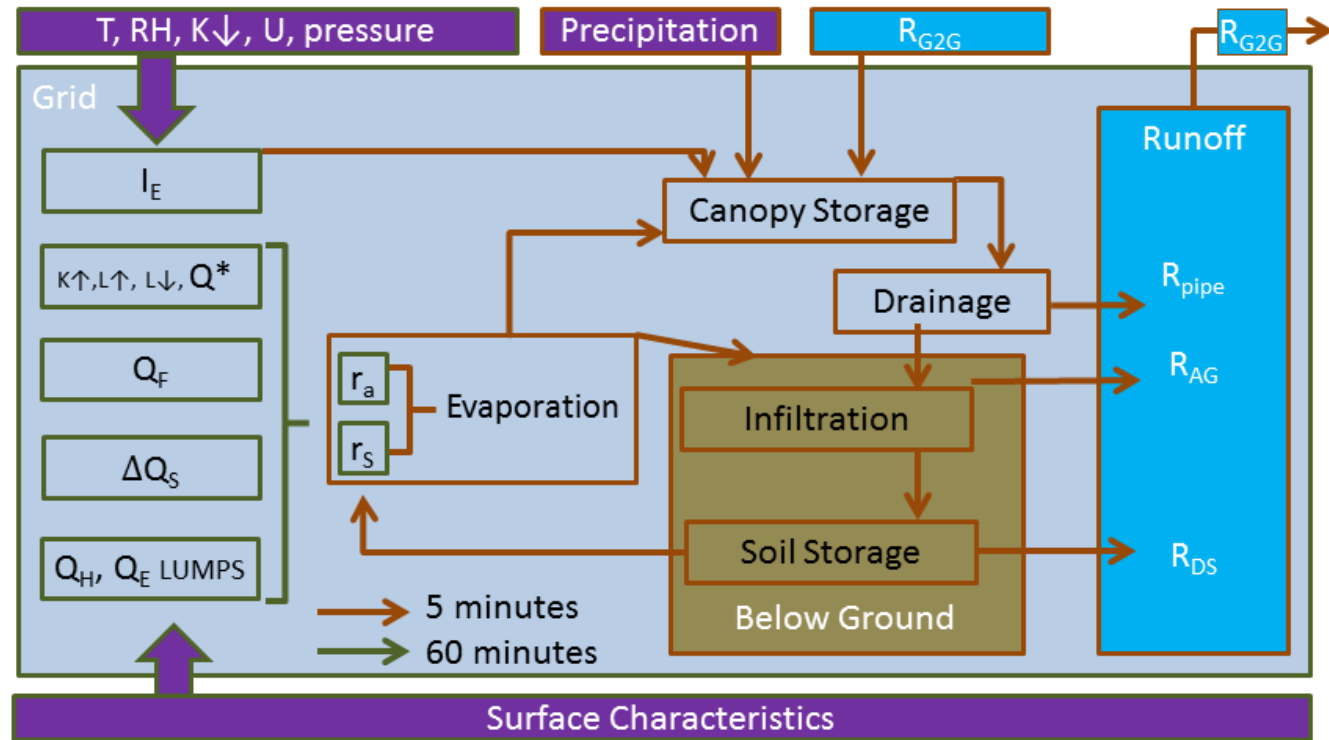
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SUEWS: Surface Urban Energy and Water Balance Scheme

- Local scale model
- Links to create catchment and/or to meso-scale model



Järvi et al. (2011) J. Hydrology

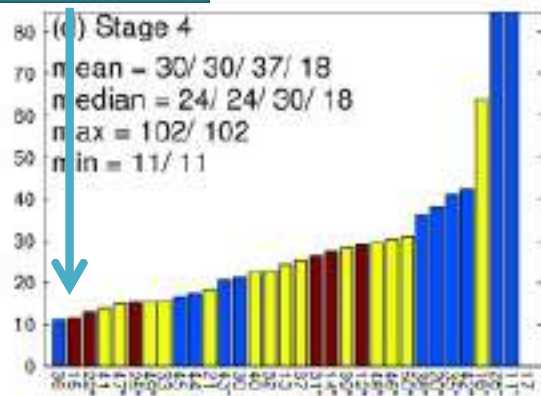
International urban energy balance comparison

SUEWS – did not participate

Arrows indicate relative performance

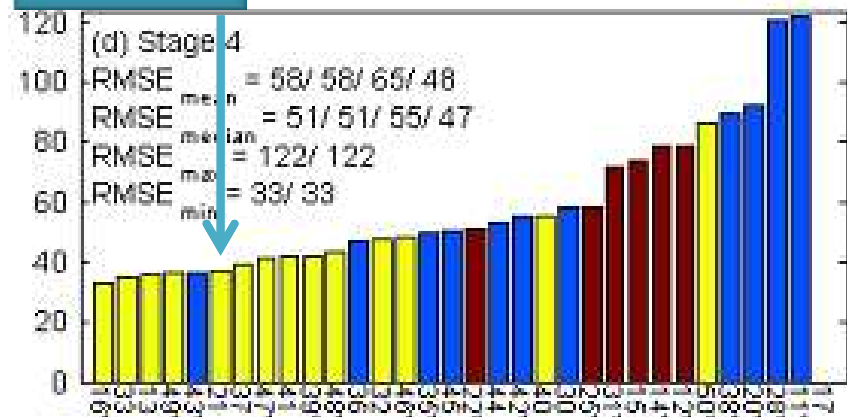
Q^*

12.0 W m⁻²



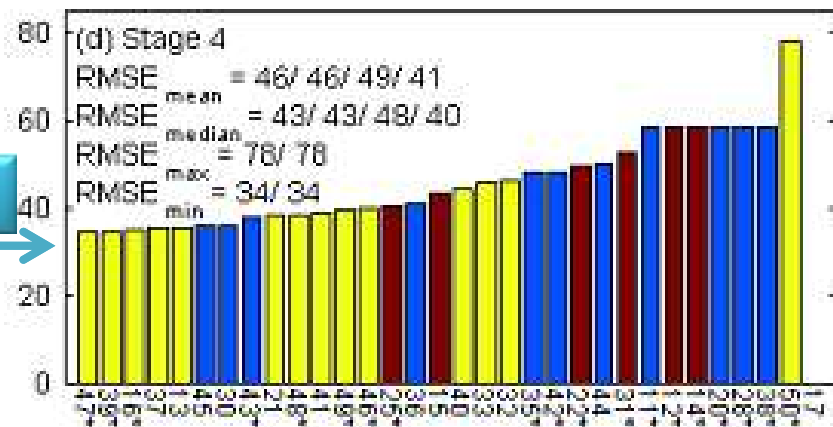
Q_H

38.4 W m⁻²



Q_E

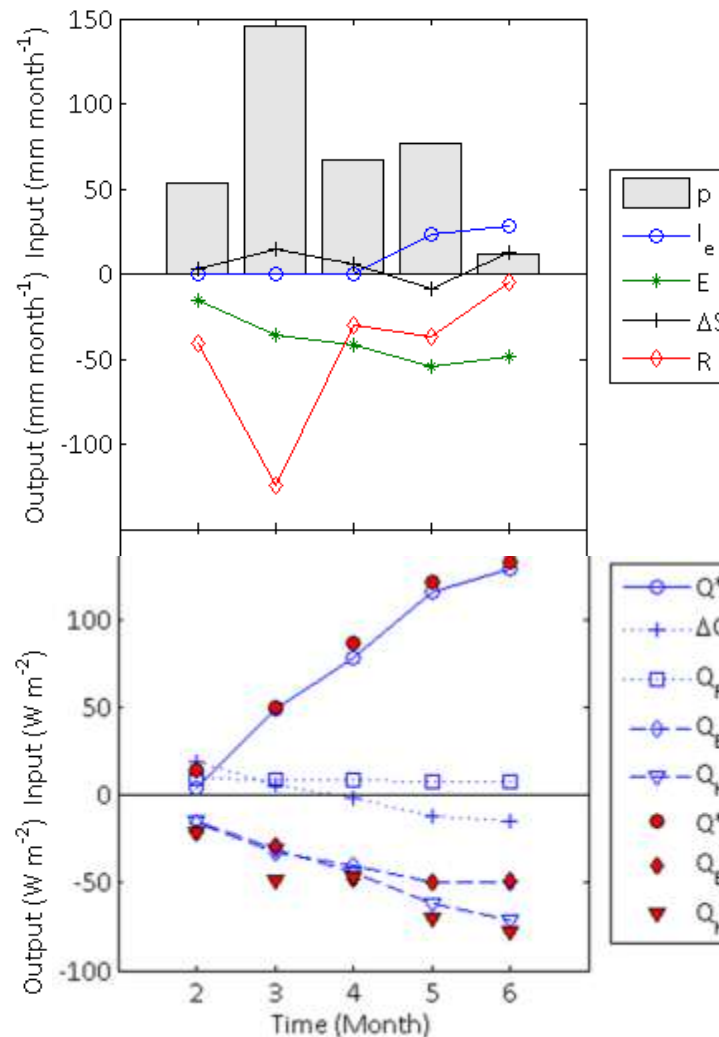
31.7 W m⁻²



VS87: Monthly Energy and Water Balance Fluxes



Water Balance



Energy Balance