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EVALUATION OF NOAH-MP'S SIMULATED GROUND HEAT FLUX AND TEMPERATURES AT A PINE FOREST AND A GRASSLAND SITE IN GERMANY

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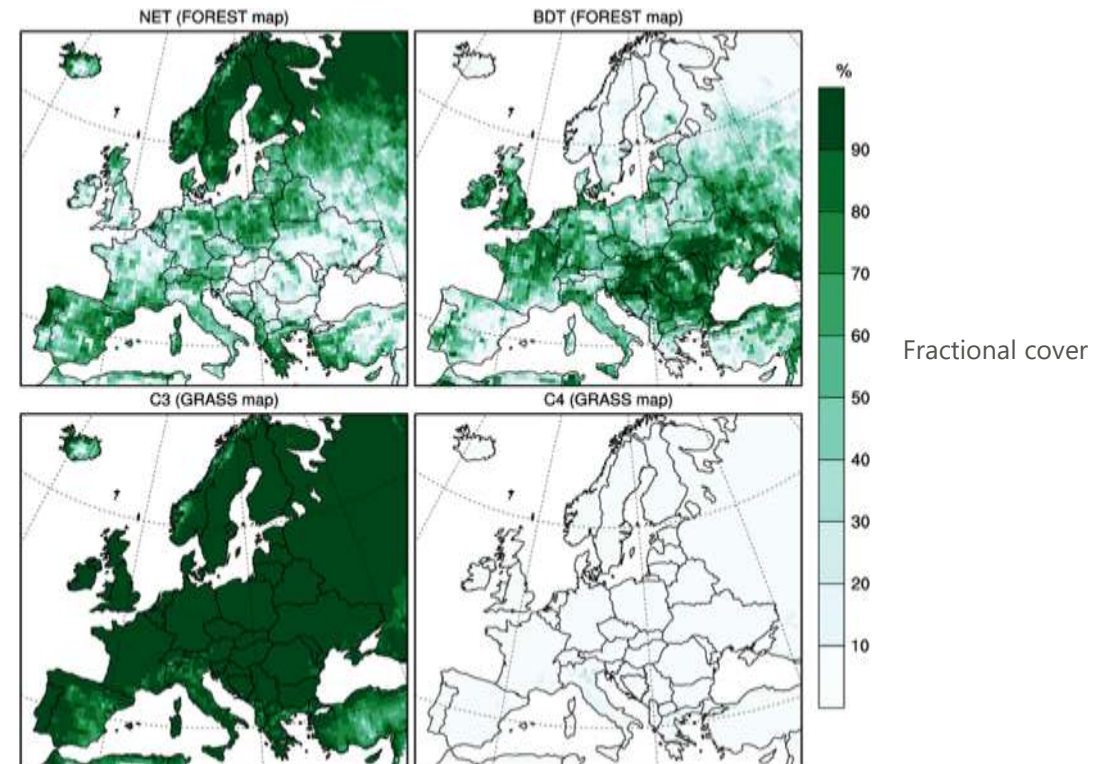
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CORDEX Flagship Pilot Study on Land Use and Climate Across Scales:

- 1986-2015, ERA-Interim forced RCMs
- Afforestation vs. Deforestation



MOTIVATION



Summer (JJA) Surface Temperature FOREST-GRASS [K]

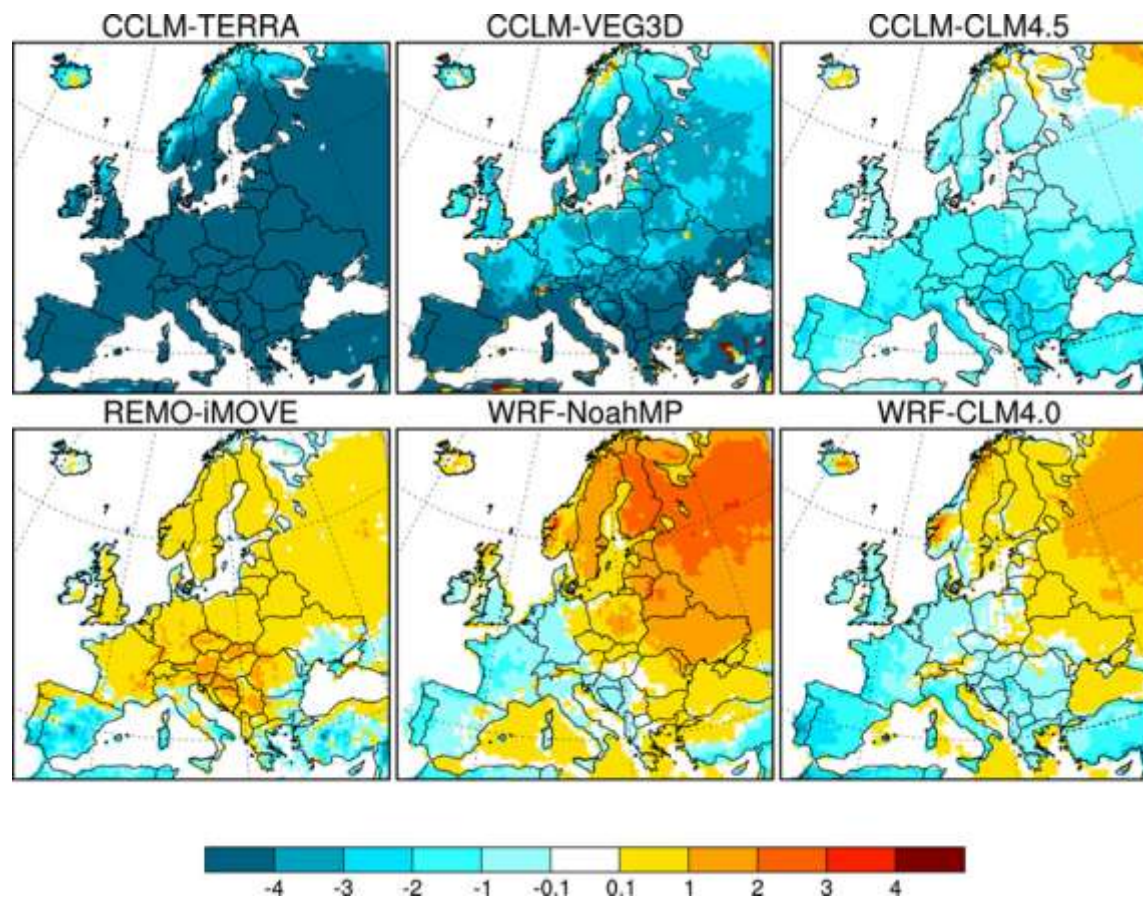
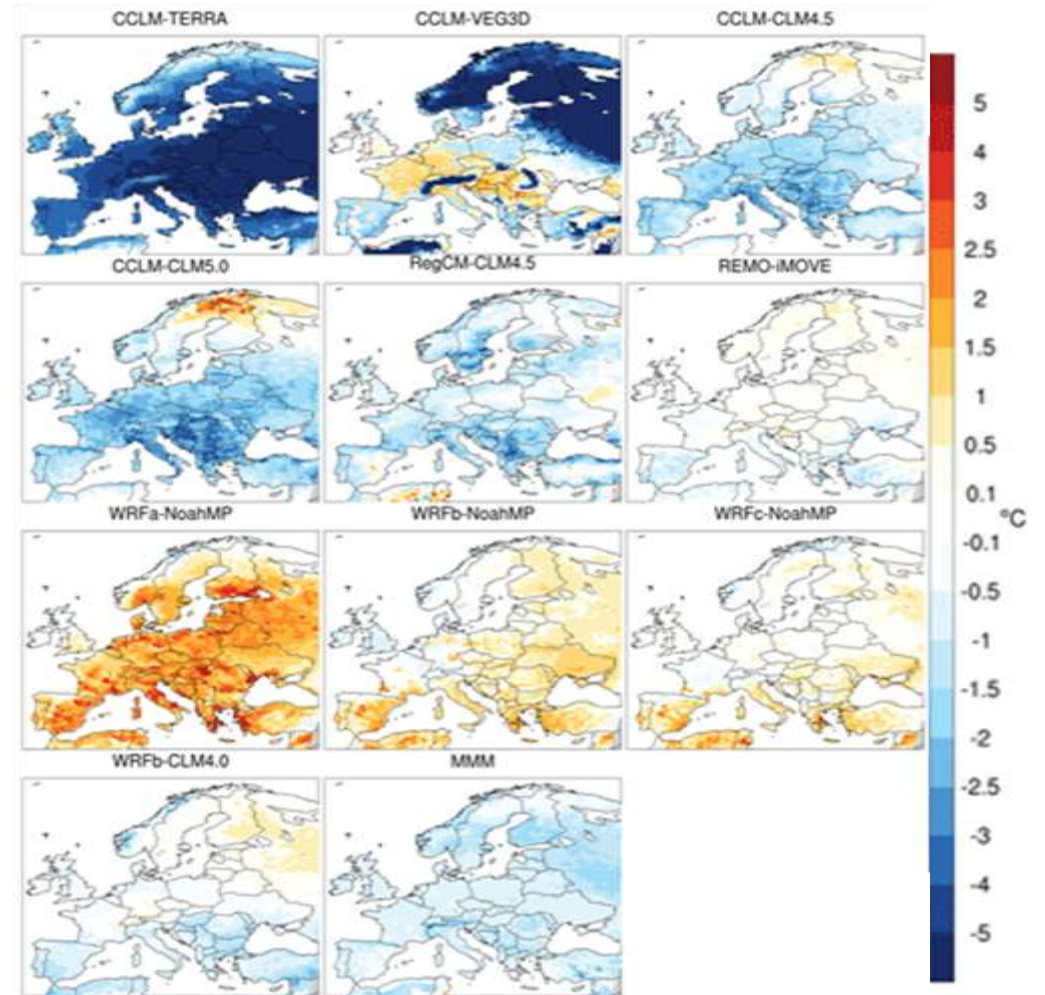


Figure from Breil et al., 2020 <https://doi.org/10.1175/JCLI-D-19-0624.1>

MOTIVATION

- Can we compare the surface temperatures and ground heat fluxes between the RCMs and between forest and grassland?
- Which ground heat fluxes and temperatures are calculated in NoahMP and can we evaluate this?

Difference in Annual Amplitude of Soil Temperature im 1 m depth (FOREST-GRASS) [°C]



STUDY SITE

Measurements at Meteorological Observatorium Lindenberg by the German Weather Service (lowlands 40-100 m amsl)

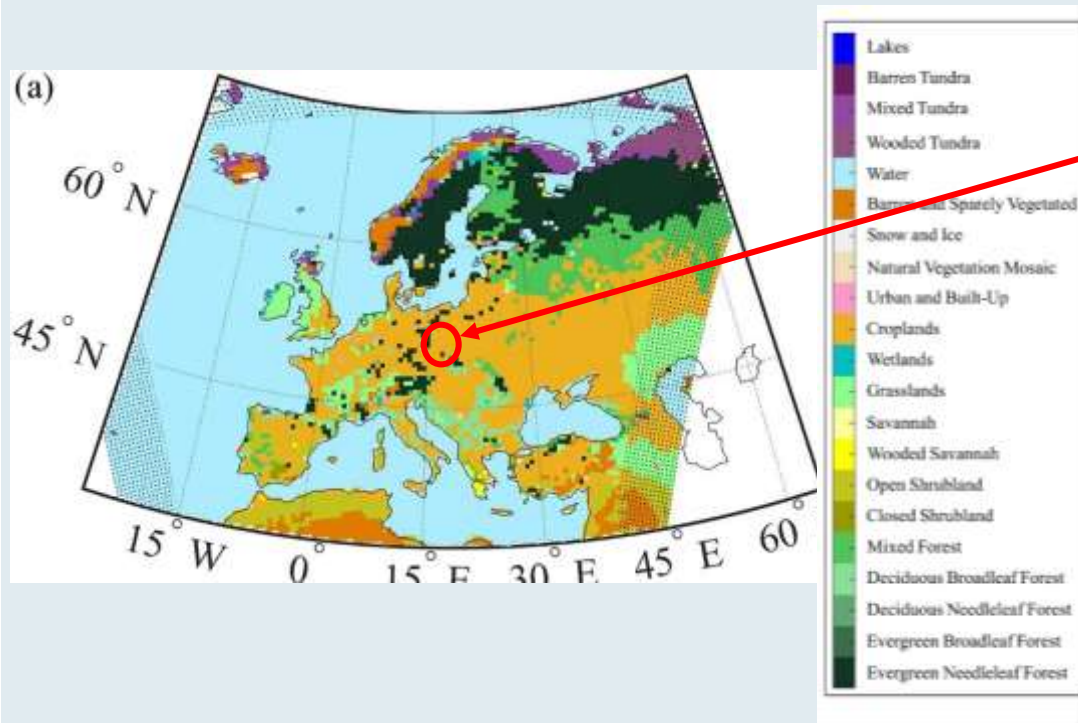


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Falkenberg
(52.17°N, 12.10° E)



Forest
(52.18° N, 13.95° E)

Photos from Beyrich and Adam, 2007, DWD Report 230
<https://www.cen.uni-hamburg.de/en/icdc/data/atmosphere/docs-atmo/dwd230-ceop-report.pdf>

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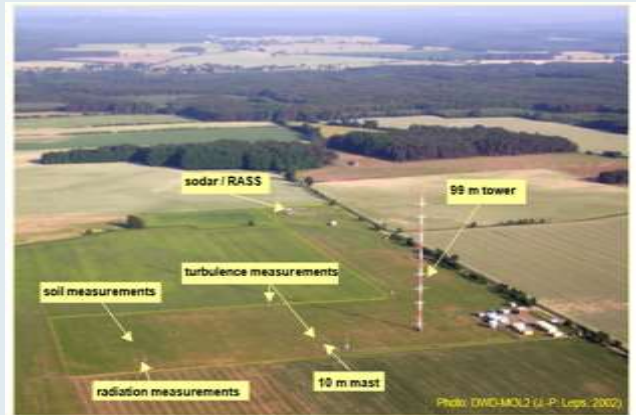
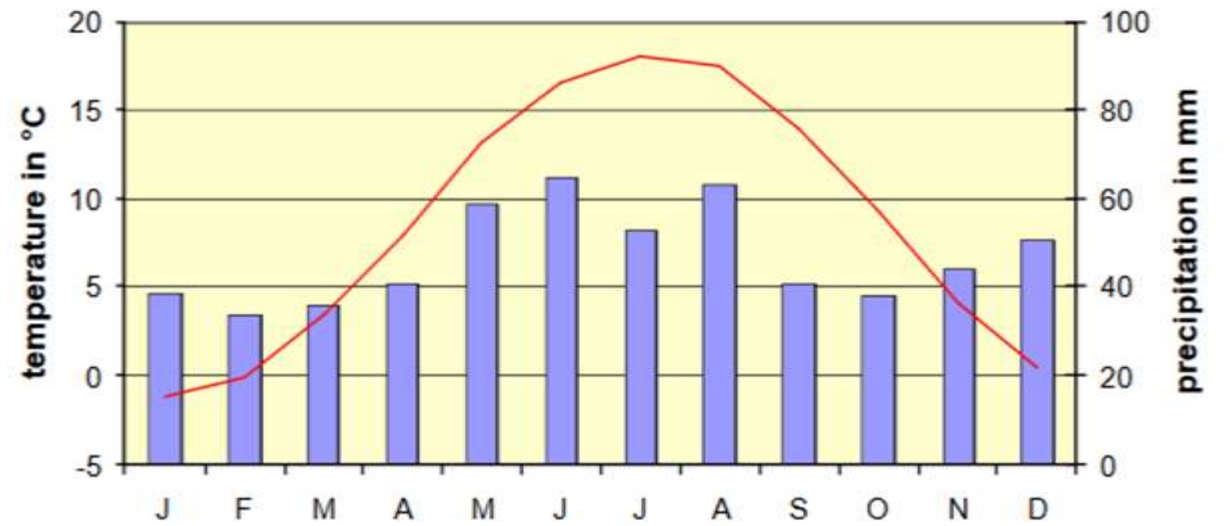


Figure 8 The DWD-MOL boundary layer field site (GM) Falkenberg towards WNW



View towards NW across the pine forest with the Forest Station tower in the upper left quadrant



Climate Diagram for Lindenberg (1961-1990)

Figures from Beyrich and Adam, 2007, DWD Report 230

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CONFIGURATION

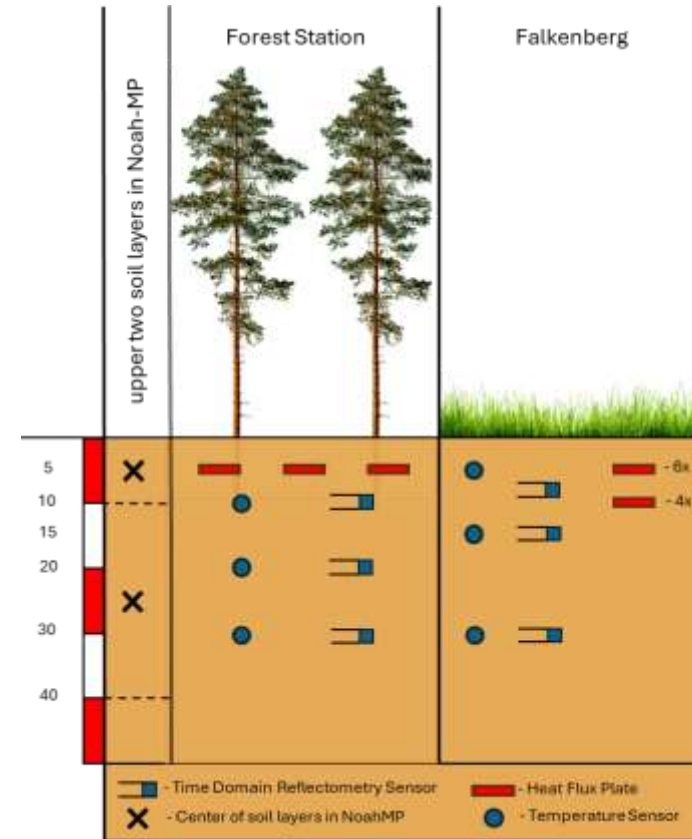
NOAH-MP 5.0 WITH HRLDAS ENVIRONMENT FOR 2 LOCATIONS

- Falkenberg: Grassland
- Forest Site: Evergreen Needleleaf Trees
- Loamy Sand
- MODIS IGBP parameters for vegetation
- Default namelist options except
Dynamic_Veg_Option = 8 (LAI from
table, FVEG calculated)
- Grassland cut every month to 20 cm
height
- Halfhourly forcing 2005-2009
- 2005 run twice for spinup

CHALLENGE

Heat flux measurements at forest site:
LH, SH, Radiation at top of canopy (30 m)
Ground heat flux in 5 cm soil depth

Missing: change of heat storage within
the top 5 cm soil and the ~30 m canopy
layer, including heating of vegetation, air,
or water

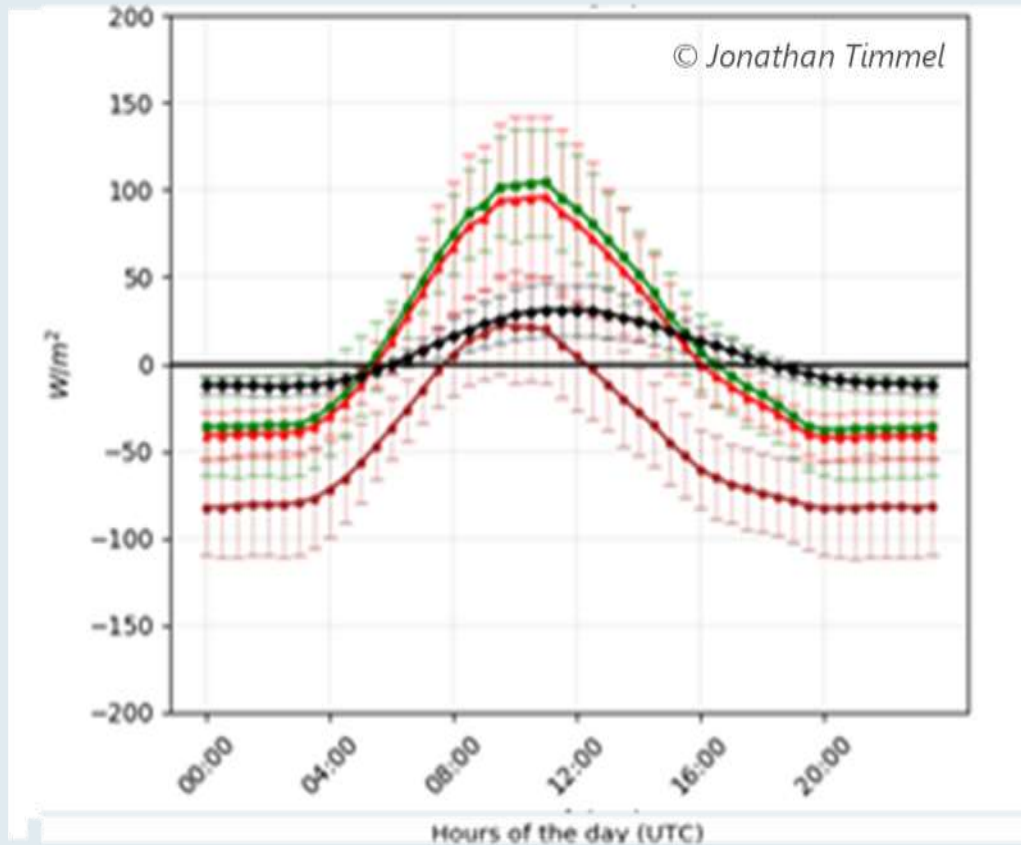


Sensor set up depth of placement in the soil for measurement of soil temperature and humidity as well as for ground heat flux measurements at the Lindenberg Reference Site for the Forest Station and the boundary layer measurement field Falkenberg. The left column shows the depth of the upper three soil layers used in Noah-MP with their mean depth used as reference for output data marked as cross.

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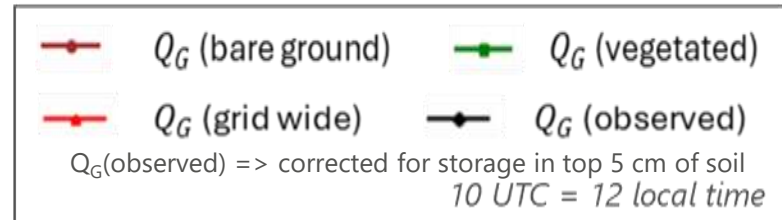
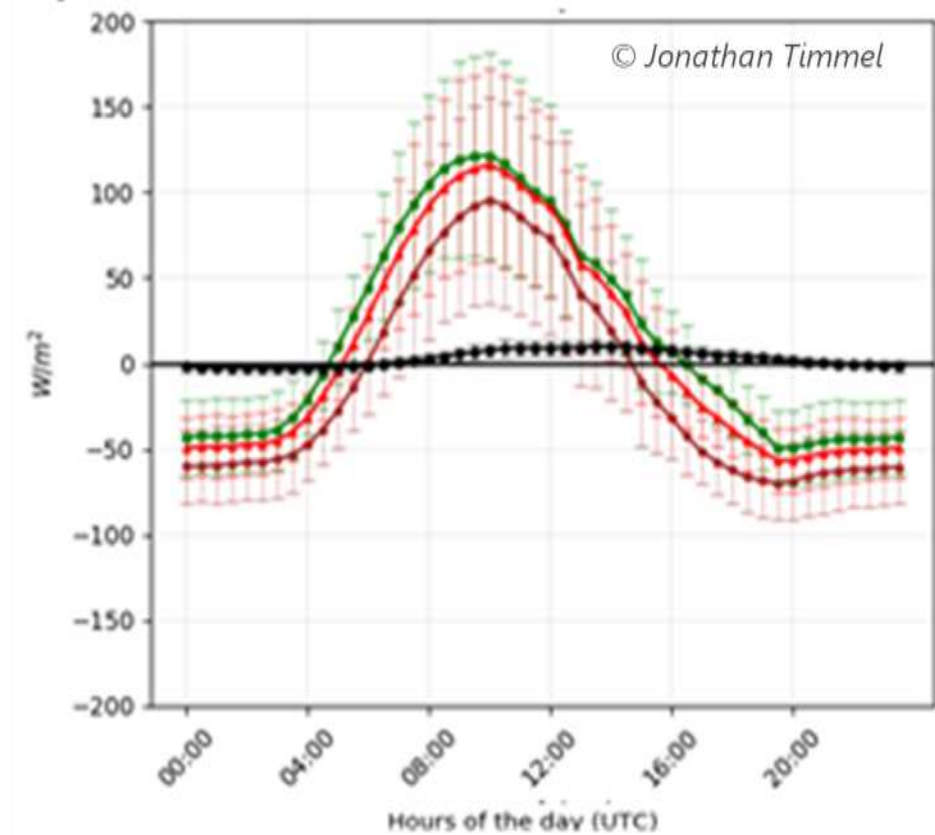
GROUND HEAT FLUXES

Grassland



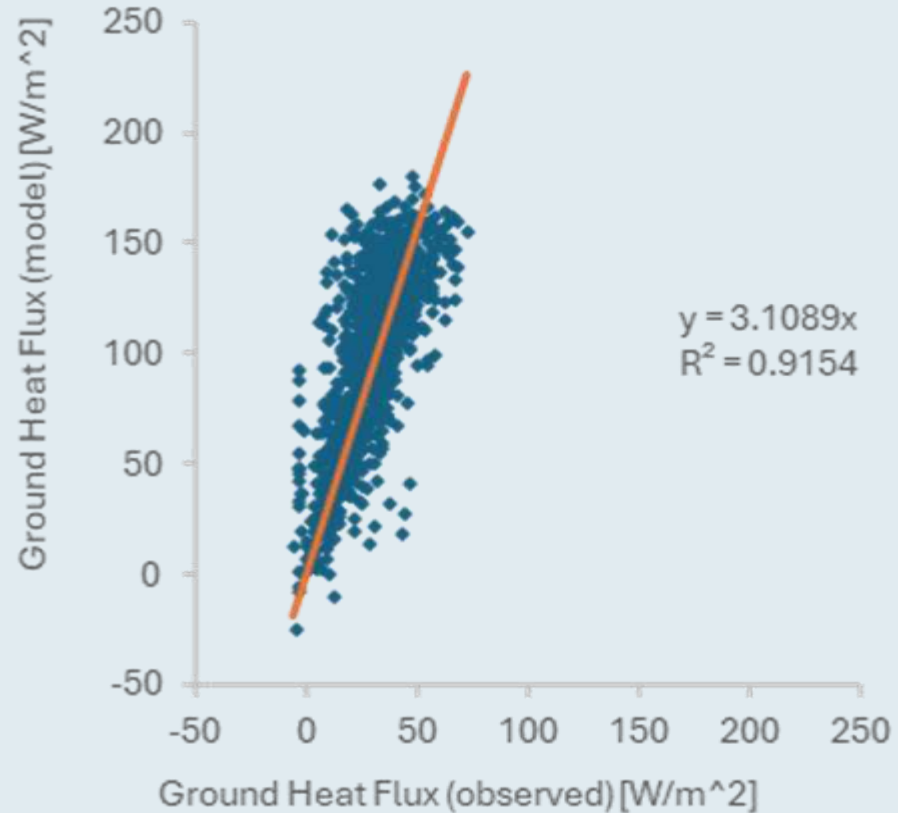
Diurnal mean cycle and standard deviation June 2005-2009

Forest



GROUND HEAT FLUXES

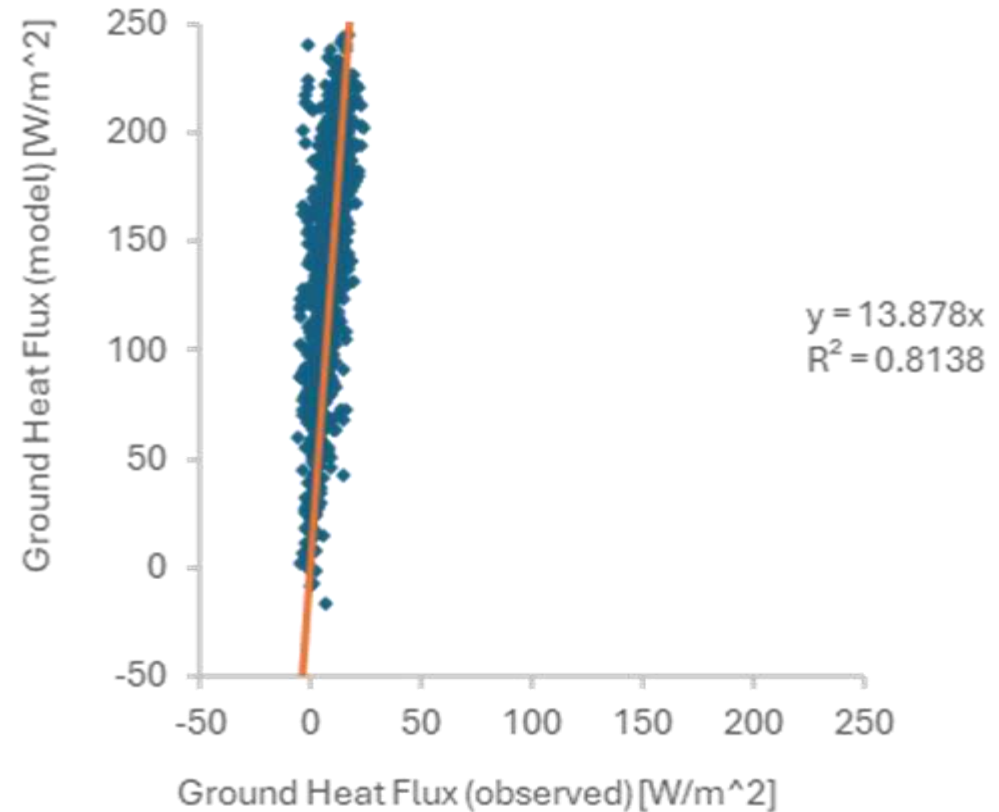
Grassland



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Daily Maxima, March-October, 2005-2009

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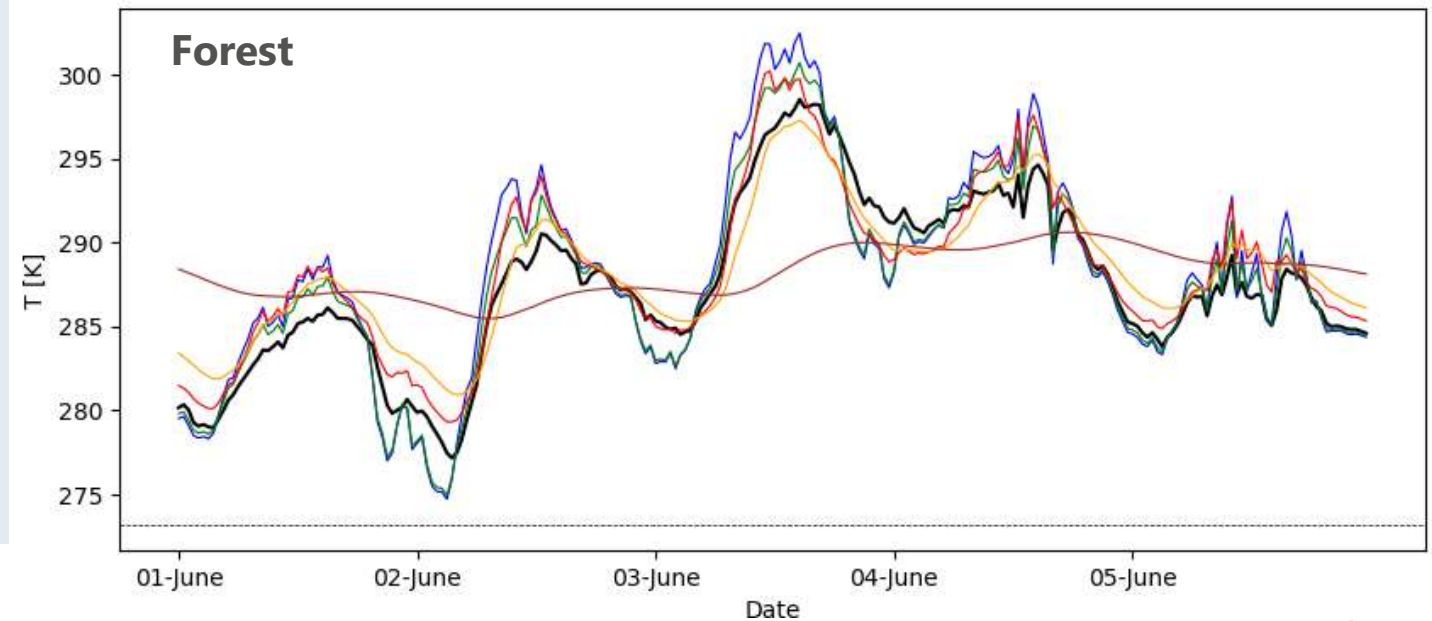
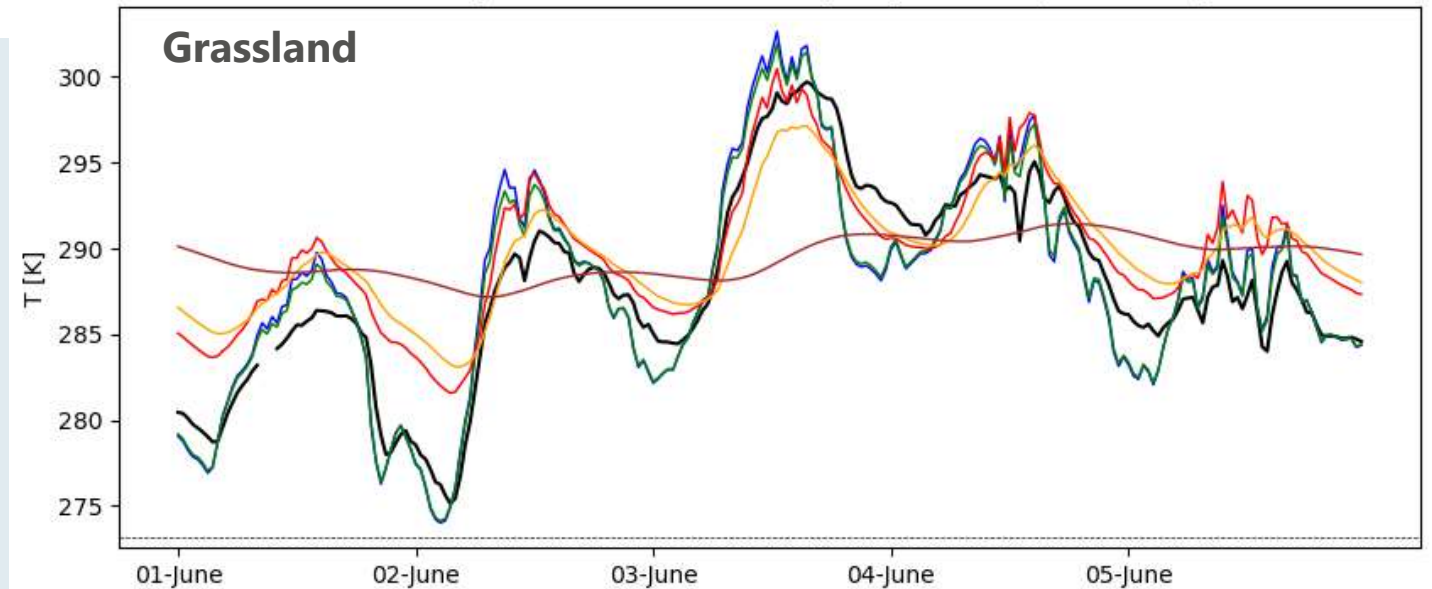
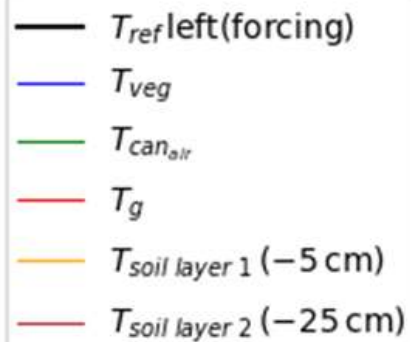


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$Q_G(\text{observed}) \Rightarrow$ corrected for storage in top 5 cm of soil

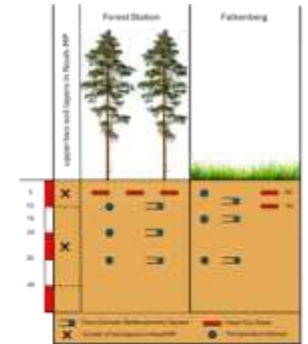
TEMPERATURES

1-5 June 2005
Observed forcing
and simulated below



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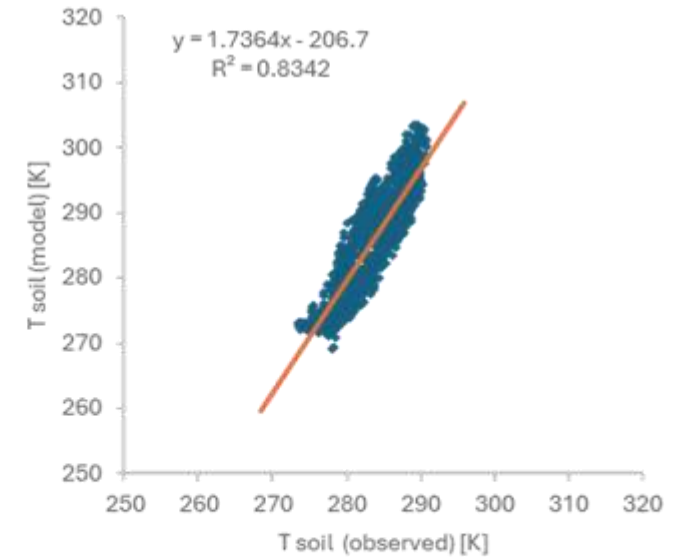
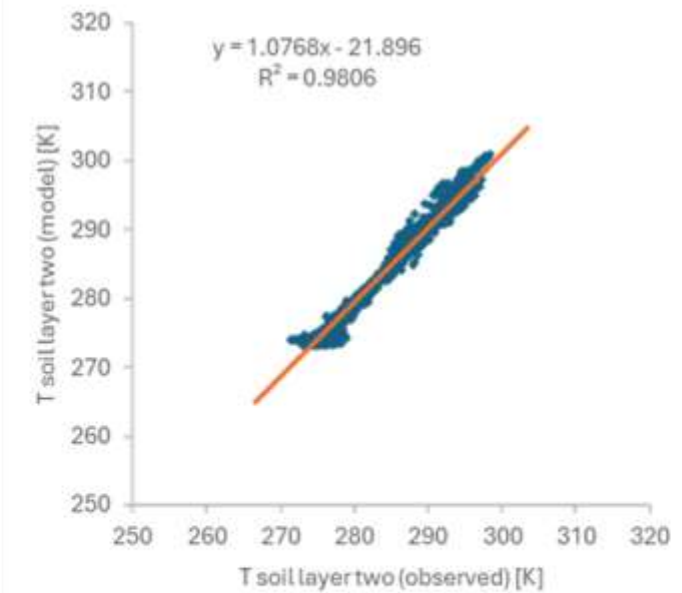
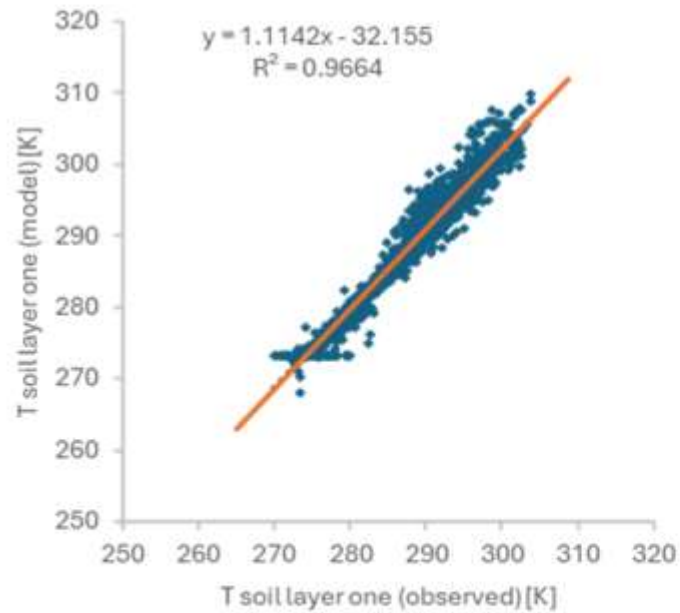
Daily Soil Maxima, March-October, 2005-2009



Grassland
5 cm depth

Grassland
25 cm depth

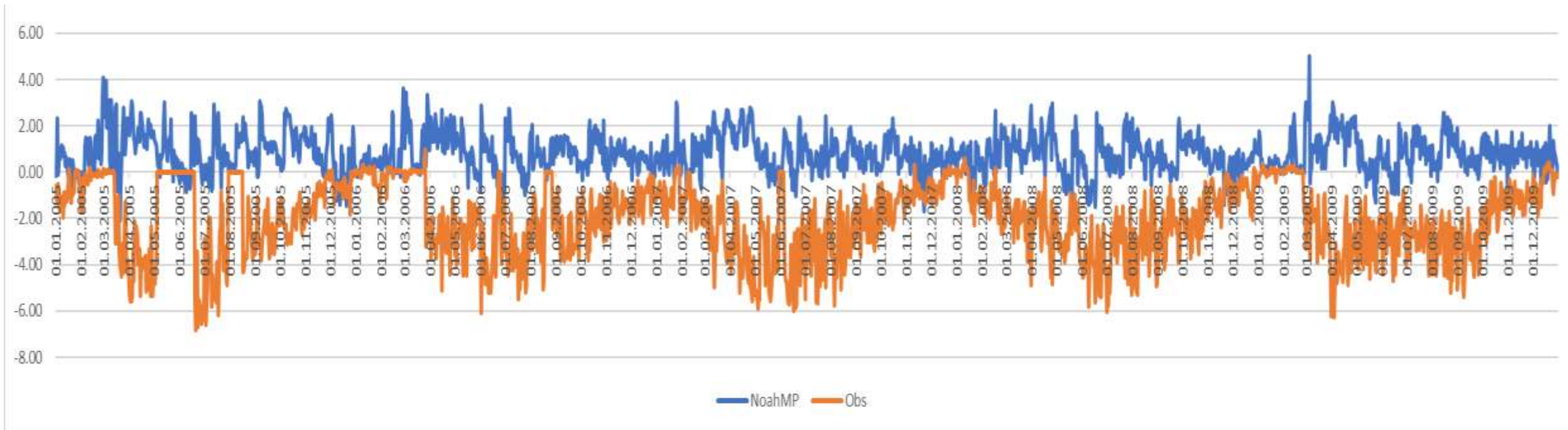
Forest
15 cm depth



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TEMPERATURES

Difference in daily Amplitude of Soil Temperature in 15 cm depth (FOREST-GRASS) [K]



Annual mean about 0.9 K (NoahMP) and – 2 K (Observation)

CONCLUSIONS



Diurnal temperature range in 15 cm depth forest larger than in grassland in NoahMP

Diurnal temperature range in 15 cm depth forest smaller than in grassland in observations

Why?

e.g. In Forest correlation is only 0.86, in Grassland 0.97

Ground heat flux of NoahMP deviates significantly from observations , especially in forest

T_{can}, T_{veg} and heat fluxes need further evaluation

=> Data available at Lindenberg, subject to research

CONCLUSIONS

- Can we compare the surface temperatures and ground heat fluxes between the RCMs and between forest and grassland?
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NoahMP needs to be evaluated with respect to forest and grassland measurements at close sites

Forest soils: litter layer consisting of needles ?

Temperatures can be evaluated.
Canopy temperature should be also compared.

Ground heat fluxes need further research. NoahMP should calculate ground heat flux in measurement depths to allow direct evaluation.



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