

# Surface recovery after a rain event during the west african monsoon



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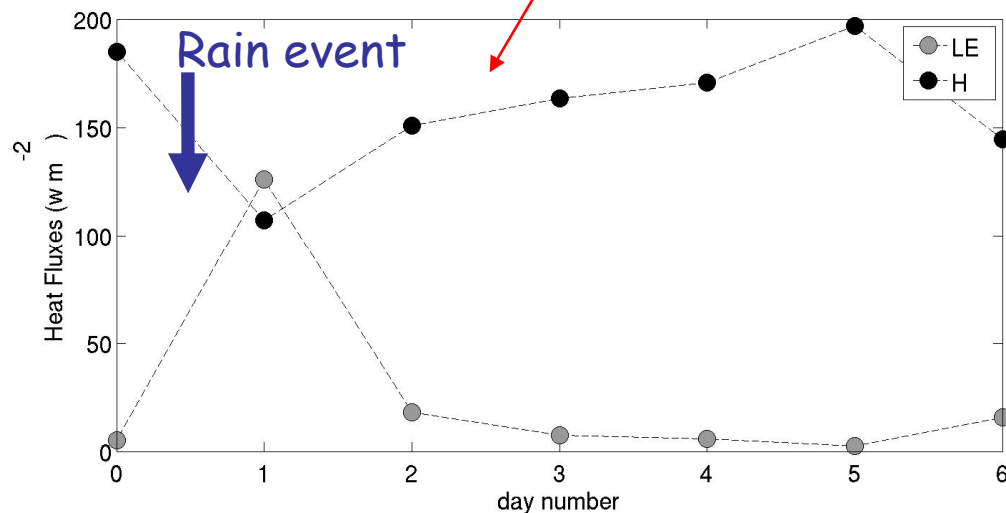
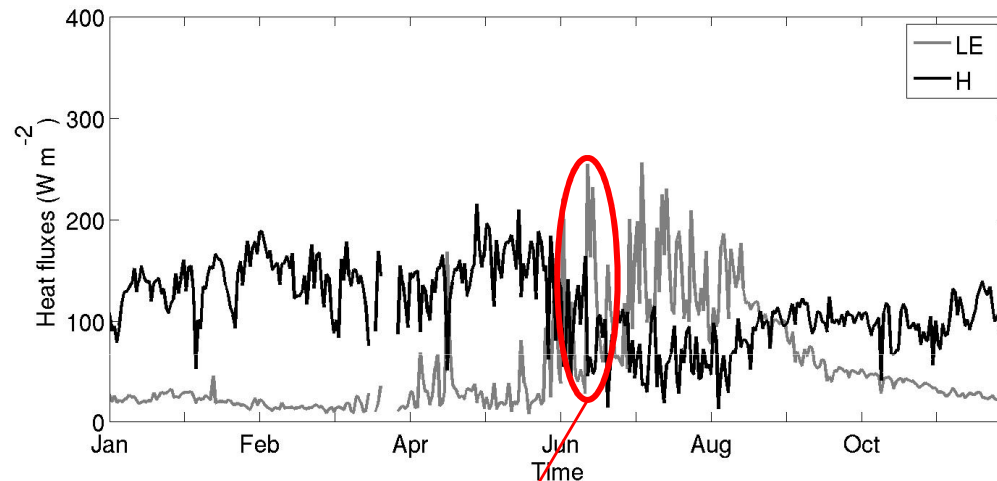
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# Surface recovery after a rain event



Fallow / Niger/ 2007



## Objectives:

### Using surface measurements:

- To determine the parameters which lead the surface response amplitude.
- To determine the recovery law.

### Using ALMIP data set

- To evaluate the Land Surface Model at the rain event time scale over the monsoon season.

# Several sites and vegetation covers



**Grass / MALI** : Sandy soil / Annual grass  
+ 2% tree cover



**MALI**

Hombori location (15.5N)  
Agoufou grassland site

**Fallow / NIGER** : Sandy soil / annual  
grass + tree + shrub  
**Millet / NIGER**: Sandy soil / Millet  
(pocket 1-m to 4-m spacing) + annual  
grass + guiera shrub



**NIGER**

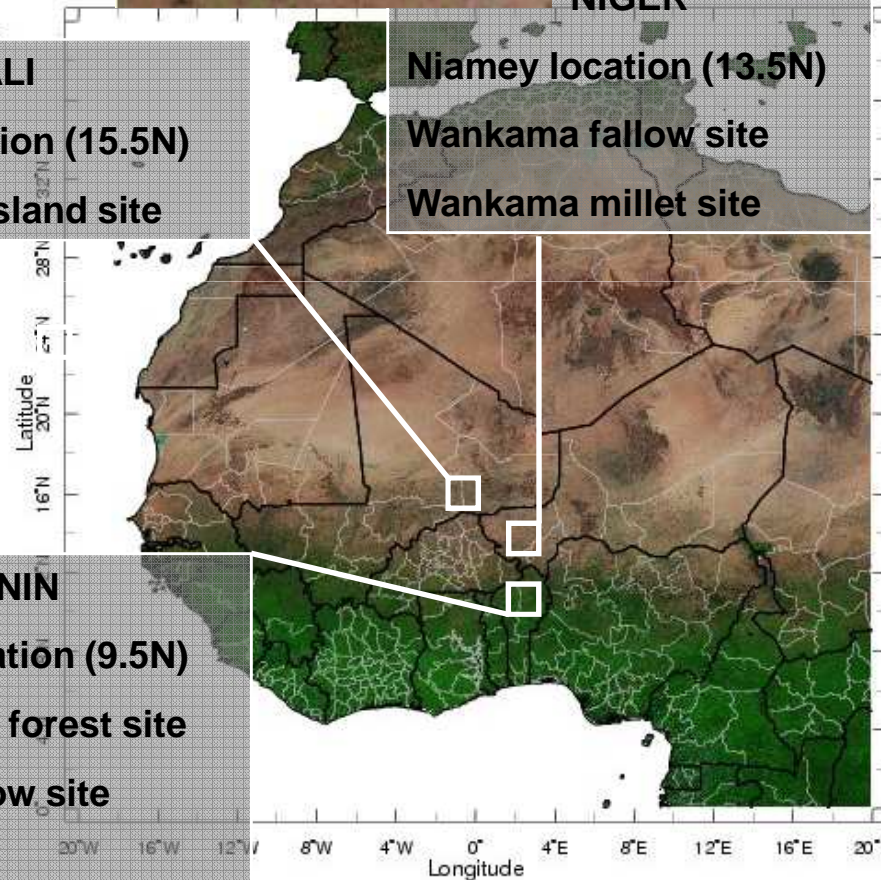
Niamey location (13.5N)  
Wankama fallow site  
Wankama millet site



**BENIN**

**Forest/ BENIN**:  
Isoberlinia Doka  
**Fallow/ BENIN**:  
Annual grass

Djougou location (9.5N)  
Belefoungou forest site  
Nalohou fallow site



*Timouk et al., J. Hydrol., 2009 / Ramier et al., J. Hydrol, 2009 / Frappart et al., J. Hydrol, 2009/ Mougouin et al., J. Hydrol, 2009 / Boulain et al., J. Hydrol, 2009*

# ALMIP (AMMA Land Surface Model Intercomparison Project)



## LSM Forcings

Vegetation and soil texture: ECOCLIMAP

Surface meteorology: ECMWF

Rain: TRMM

Incoming LW and SW: LSA SAF and ECMWF

*Boone et al., BAMS, 2009*

*Boone et al, CD, 2010*

*Dadson et al., JGR, 2010*

*Grippa et al., WR, 2011*

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Model Acronym	Institute	Recent references	ALMIP model configuration
HTESSEL	ECMWF, Reading, UK <i>G. Balsamo</i>	Balsamo et al. (2009)	4L, 6 tiles, 1E, SV; ECMWF
ORCHIDEE-CWRR	IPSL, Paris, France T. Orgeval and <i>P. deRosnay</i>	d'Orgeval et al. (2008), de Rosnay et al. (2002)	11L, 13 tiles, 1E, SV; ECOCLIMAP
ISBA <sup>a</sup> ISBA-DIF <sup>b</sup>	CNRM, Météo-France, Toulouse <i>A. Boone</i>	(a) Noilhan and Mahfouf (1996), (b) Boone et al. (2000)	3L <sup>a</sup> , 5L <sup>b</sup> , 1 tile, 1E, SV; ECOCLIMAP
JULES	CEH, Wallingford, UK <i>P. Harris</i>	Essery et al. (2003)	4L, 9 tiles, 1E, SV; ECOCLIMAP
SETHYS	CETP/LSCE, France <i>S. Saux- Piccard and C. Ottlé</i>	Coudert et al. (2006)	2L, 12 tiles, 2E, SV; ECOCLIMAP
NOAH	CETP/LSCE (NCEP) <i>B. Decharme and C. Ottlé</i>	Chen and Dudhia (2001), Decharme (2007)	7L, 12 tiles, 1E, SV; ECOCLIMAP
CLSM	UPMC, Paris, France <i>S. Gascoin and A. Ducharne</i>	Koster et al. (2000)	5L, 5 tiles, 3E, SV; ECOCLIMAP
SSiB	LETG, Nantes, France; UCLA, Los Angeles, USA <i>I. Pocard- Leclercq</i>	Xue et al. (1991)	3L, 1 tile, 2E, SV; SSiB
SWAP	IWP, Moscow, Russia <i>Y. Gusev and O. Nasonova</i>	Gusev et al. (2006)	3L, 1 tile, 1E, SV; ECOCLIMAP

*Boone et al., BAMS, 2009*

# Atmosphere and soil characteristics



## SURFACE STATIONS

1. Sensible (H) and Latent (E) heat fluxes (*Eddy-covariance*)

$$EF = \frac{E}{H+E}$$

(~30min / 2 km)

2. Rain amount
3. Vertically Integrated Soil Moisture 1m deep. (*CS616 reflectometer*)
4. Leaf Area Index (*1-km transect / hemispheric pictures + albedo correction*)

*LAI > 0.1 vegetated surface*

*LAI <= 0.1 bare soil*

## ALMIP LSM

1. Sensible (H), evapotranspiration (E) fluxes

$$EF = \frac{E}{H+E}$$

(~3 h / 0.5°)

2. Rain amount
3. Time change in vertically integrated Soil Moisture  $\Delta S$ .

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial t} = P - E - R$$

$$SWCA(t) = \int_{t_0}^t \Delta S dt$$

4. Vegetation activity TR / E

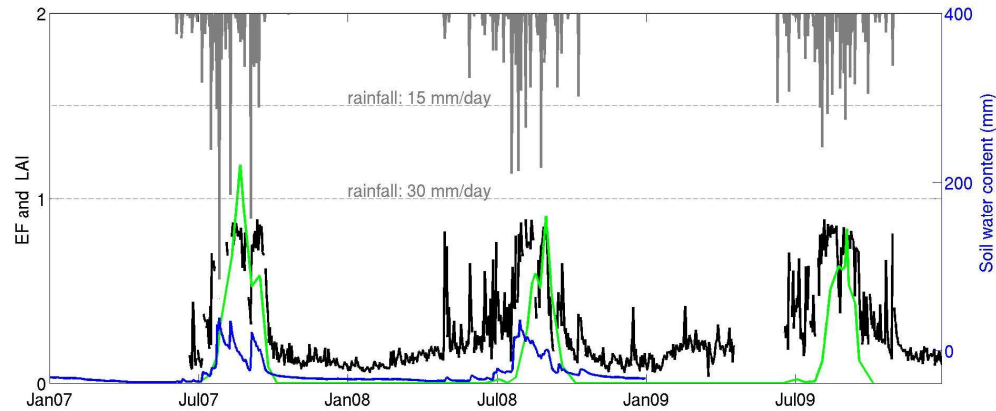
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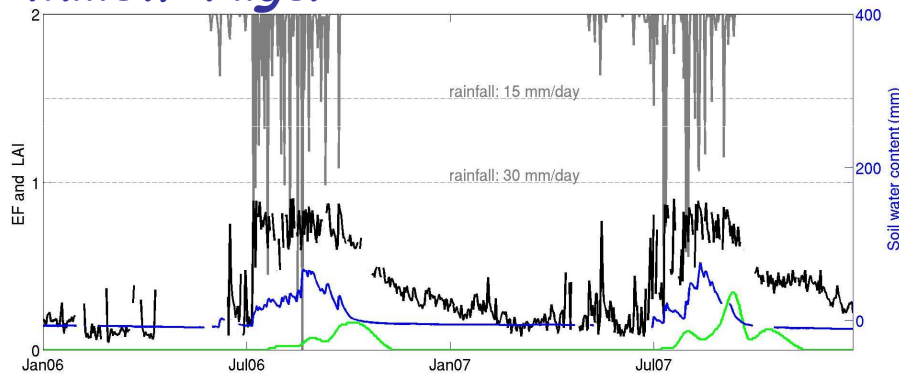
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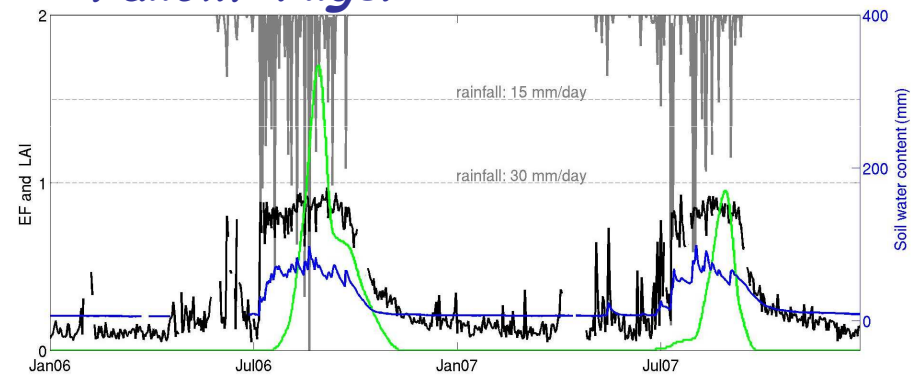
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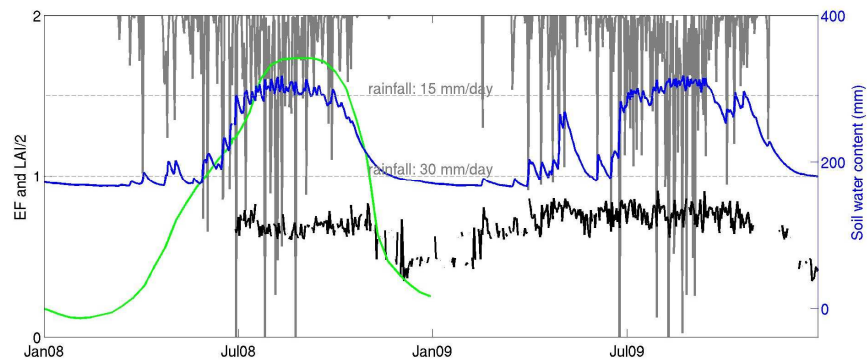
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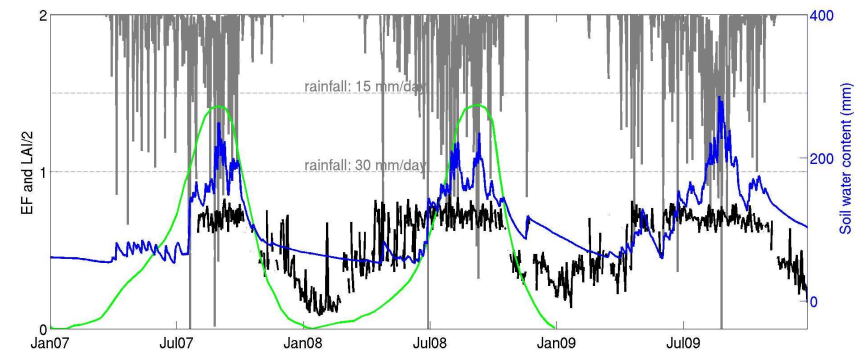
## Fallow/ Niger



## Forest/ Benin



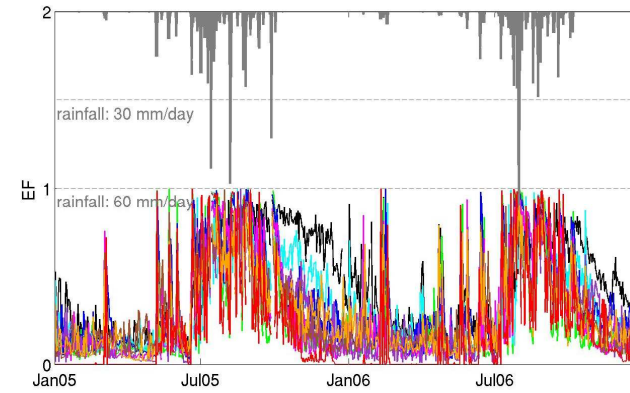
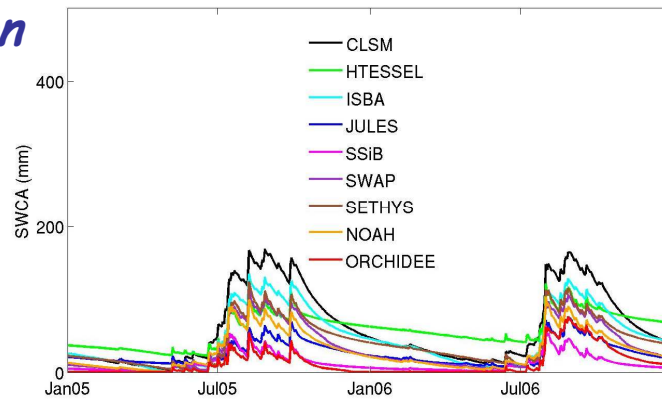
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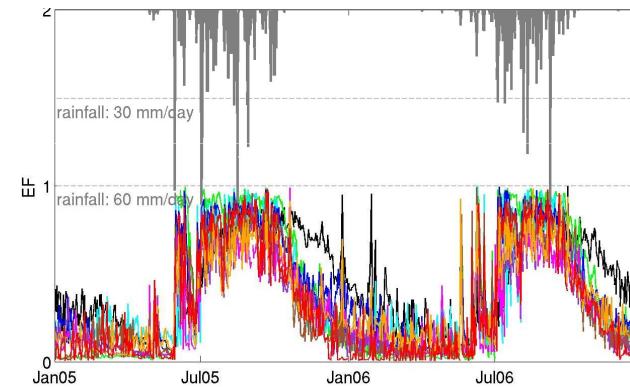
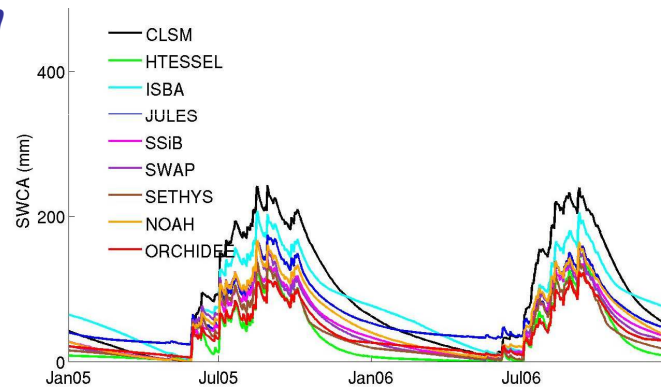
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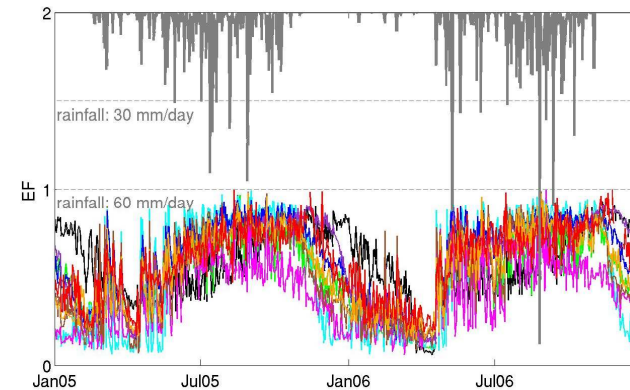
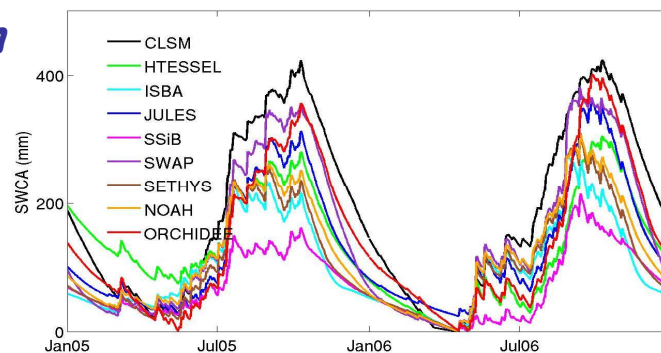
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## Niamey location (Niger)



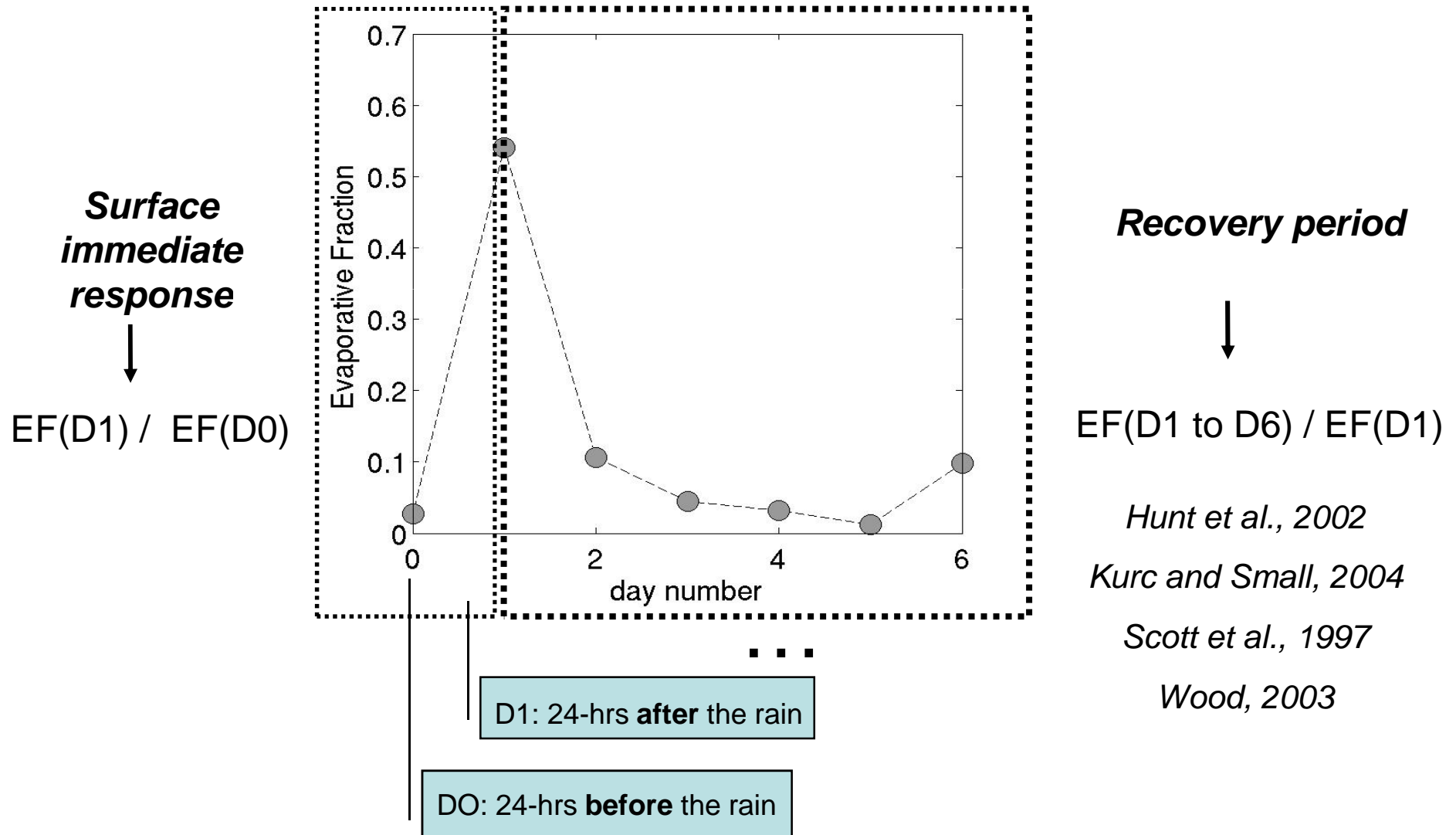
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# Rain selection method



**Rain selection: cumulated rain > 3 mm** → 11 to 17 rain events / year

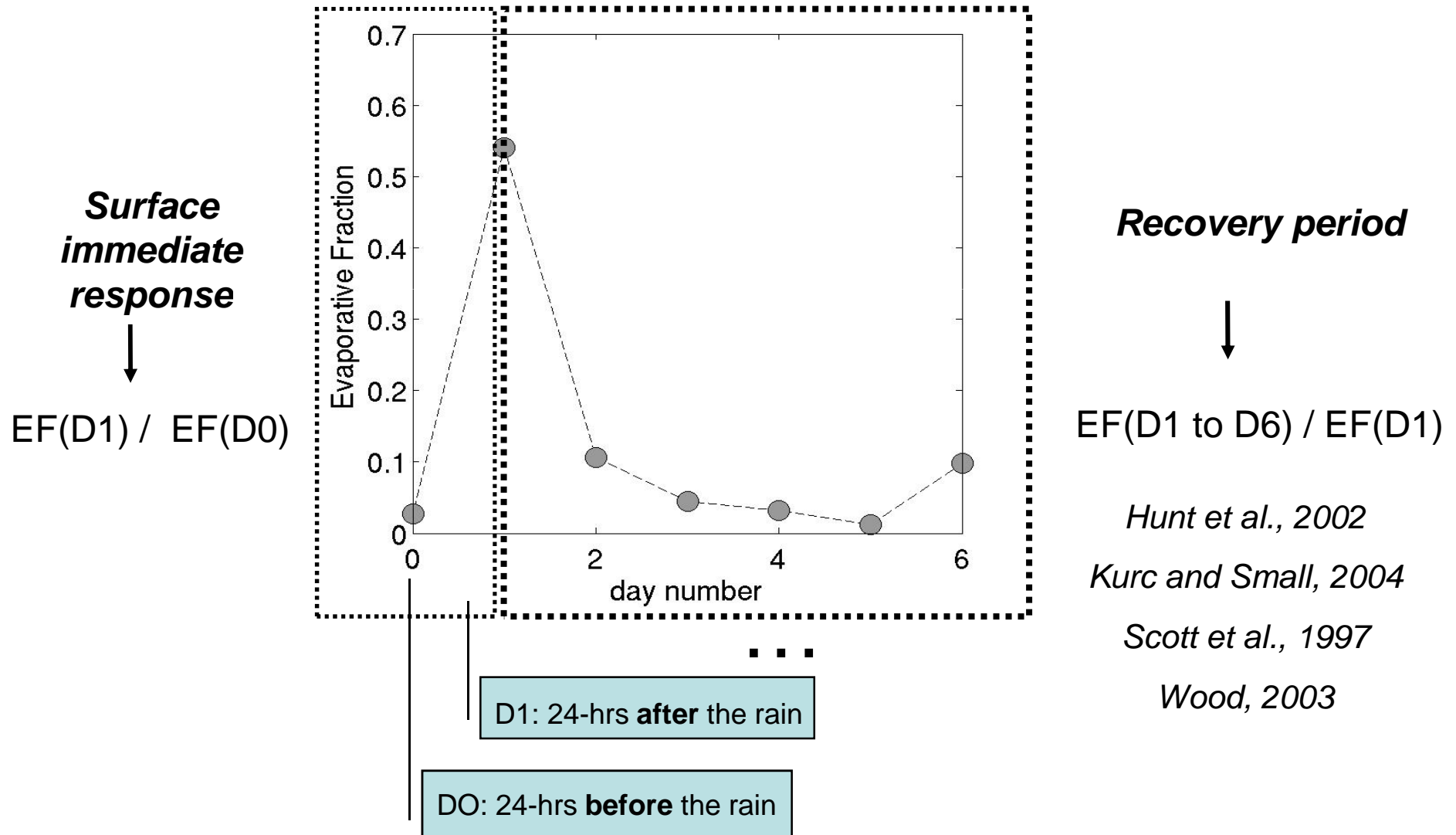




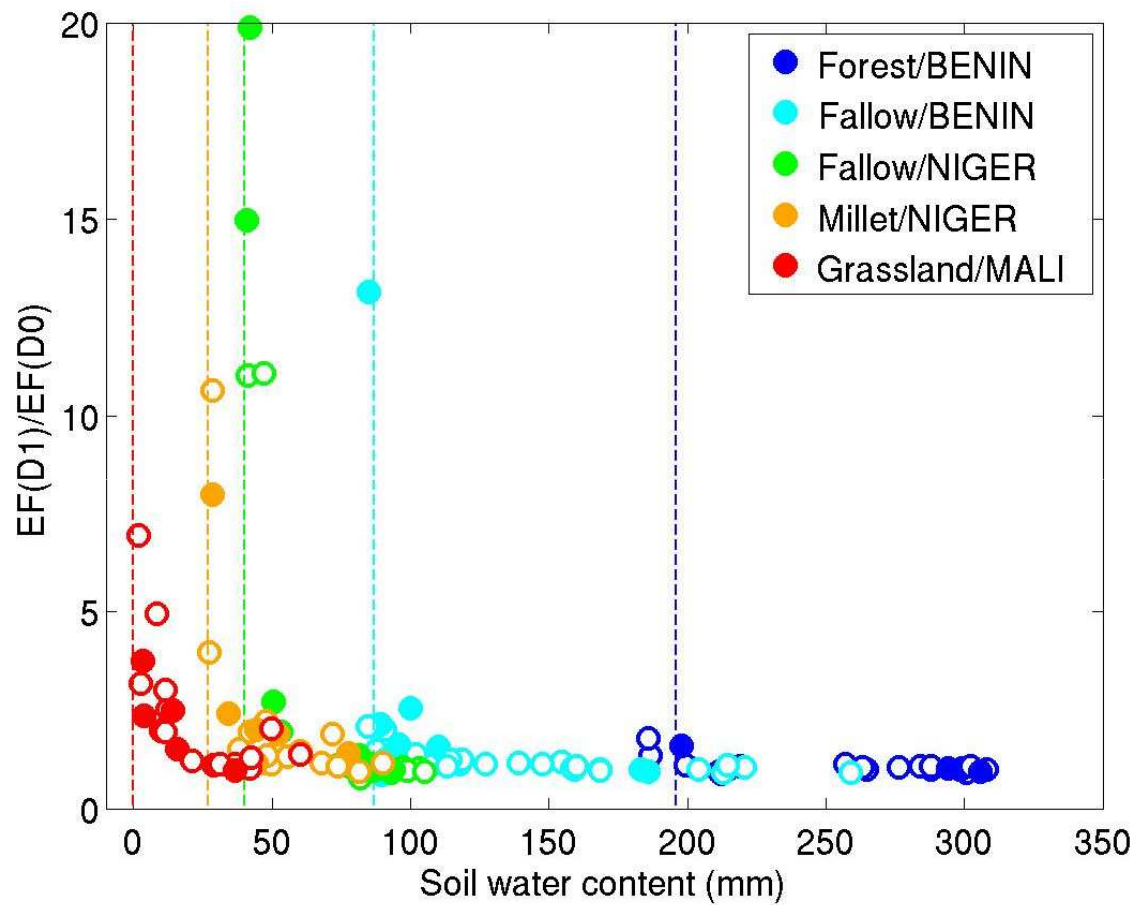
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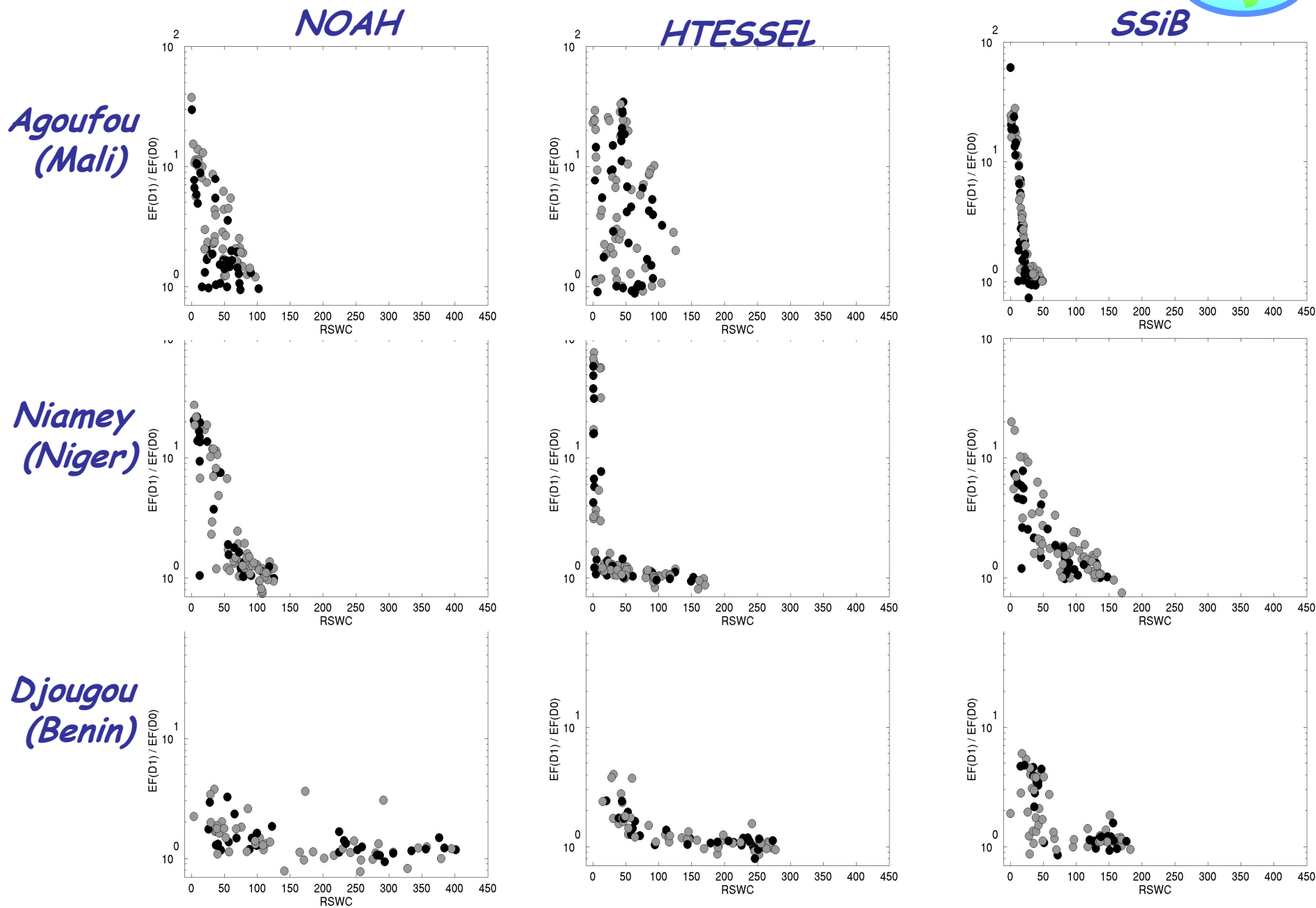
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# Surface immediate response



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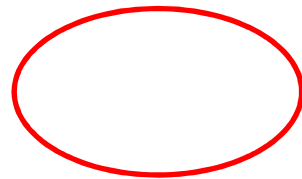


# Recovery period

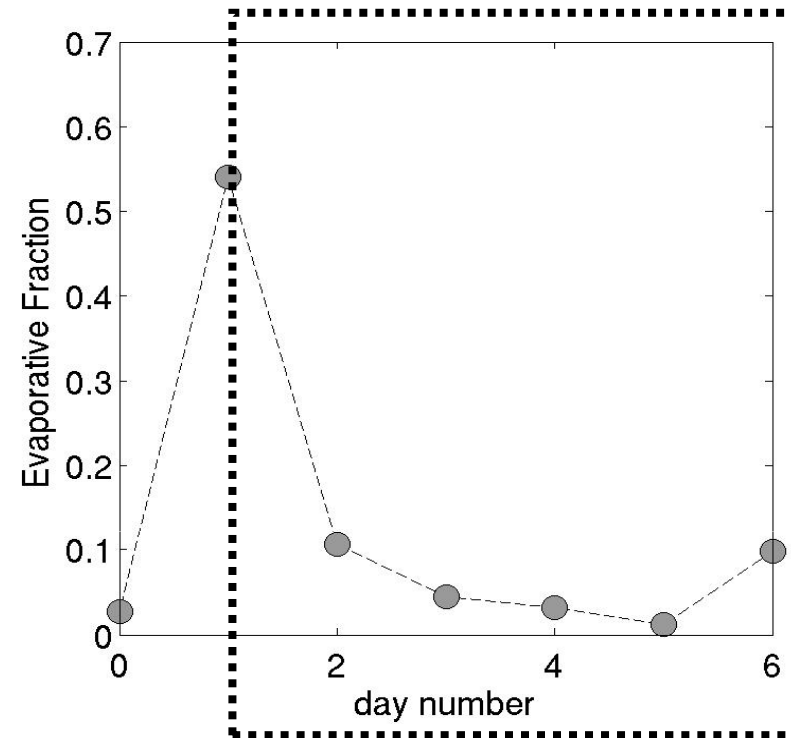
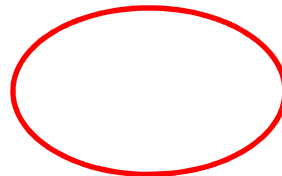


***Recovery period***

***Kurc and Small, 2004 / New Mexico***



***Hunt et al., 2002 / New Zealand***

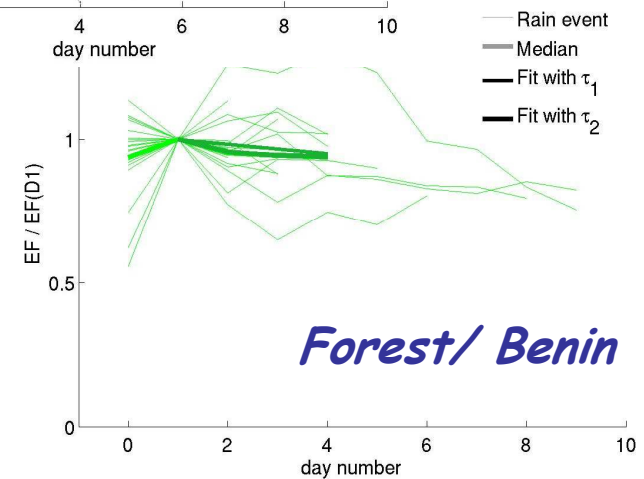
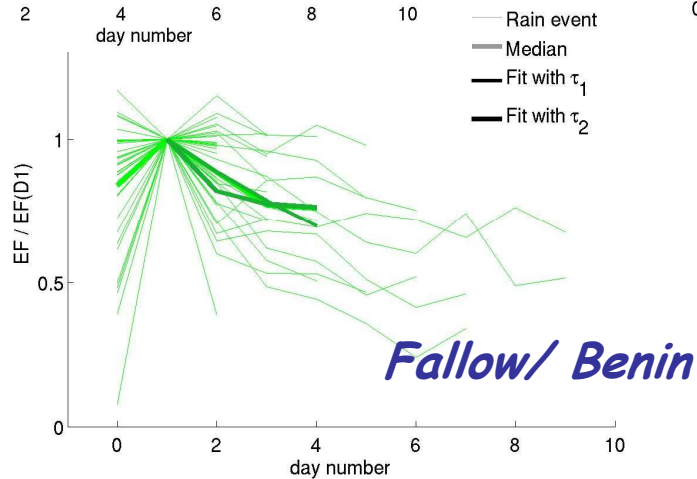
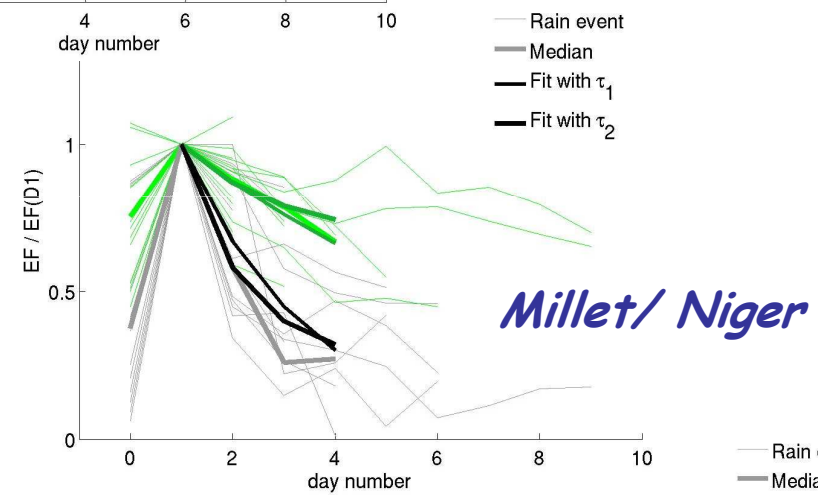
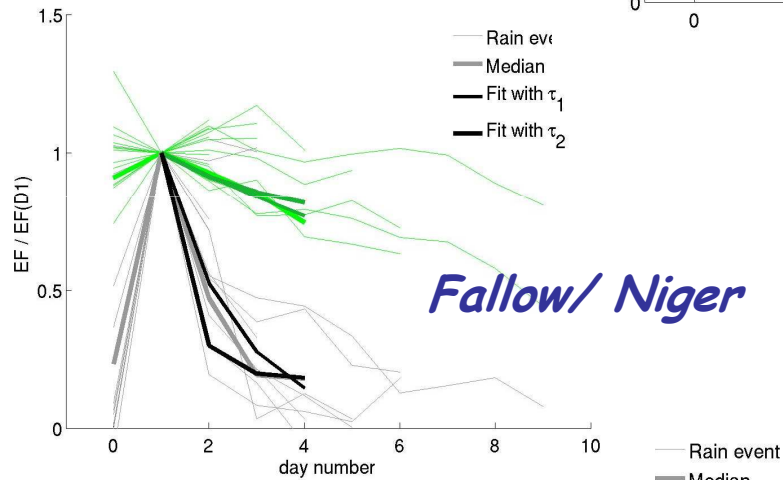
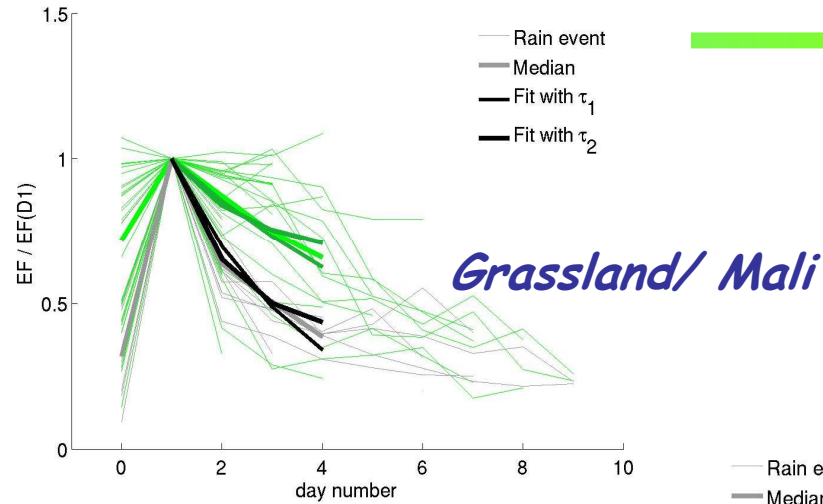


# Recovery period



**Vegetated surface**  
(LAI < 0.1)

**Bare soil**  
(LAI >= 0.1)



# Recovery period



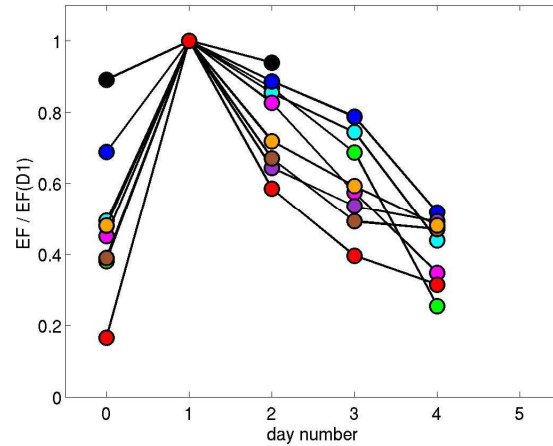
Vegetation	AMMA			Hunt et al. (2002)	Kurc and Small (2004)
	Benin	Niger	Mali	New Zealand	New Mexico
	$\tau_1, \tau_2$	$\tau_1, \tau_2$	$\tau_1, \tau_2$	$\tau_1$	$\tau_2$
Bare		<b>1.5-2.5</b> , 0.5-1.2	<b>2.8</b> , 1.2		
Fallow	<b>8.3</b> , 0.71	<b>11.5</b> , 2.5			
Grass			<b>6.5</b> , 1.5		2
Tussock grassland				<b>6</b>	
Rye grass				<b>10</b>	
Millet		<b>7.3</b> , 2			
Forest	<b>58</b> , 0.8				
Shrub					1.8

# Recovery period

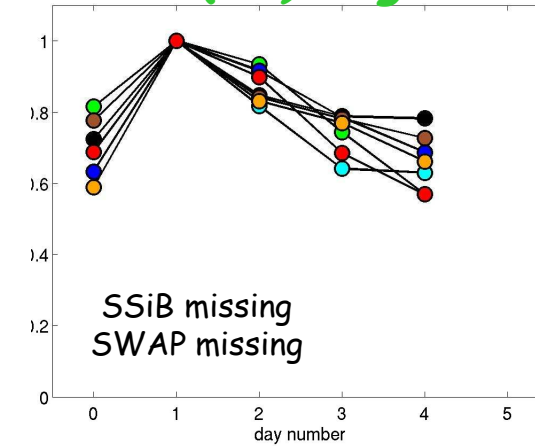


Agoufou  
location  
(Mali)

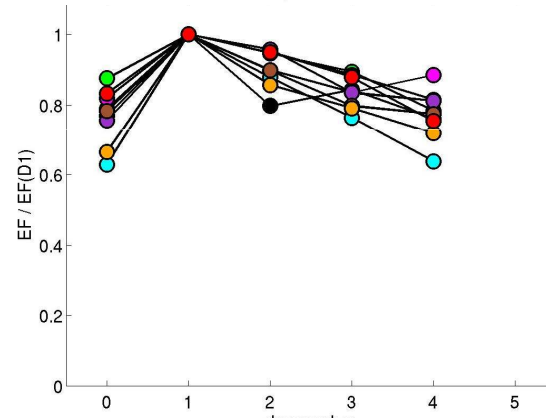
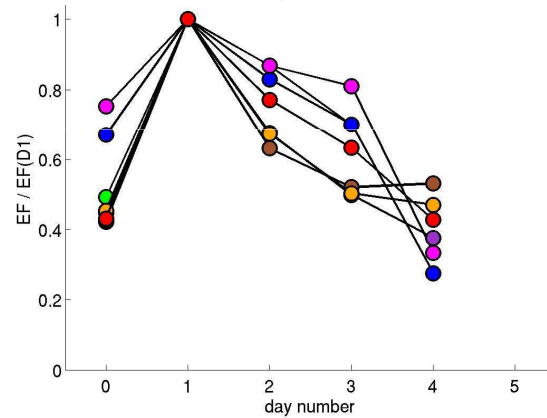
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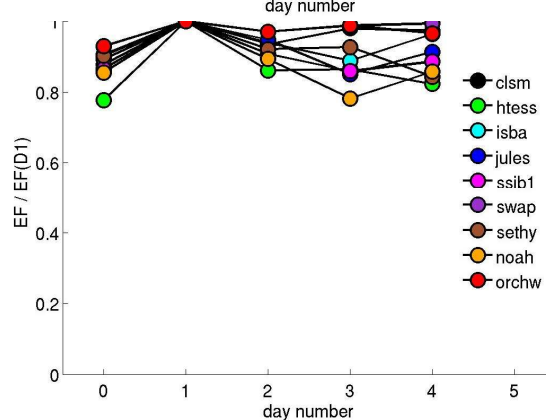
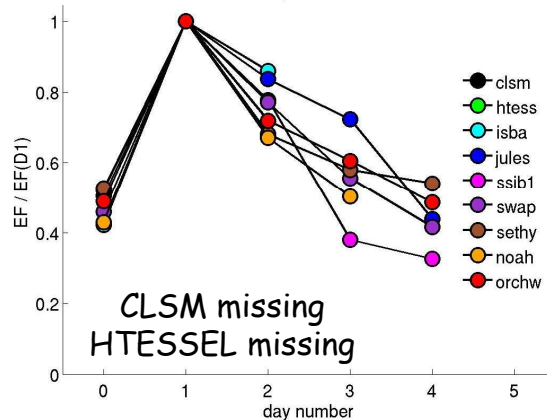
*EF / EF(D1) Vegetated*



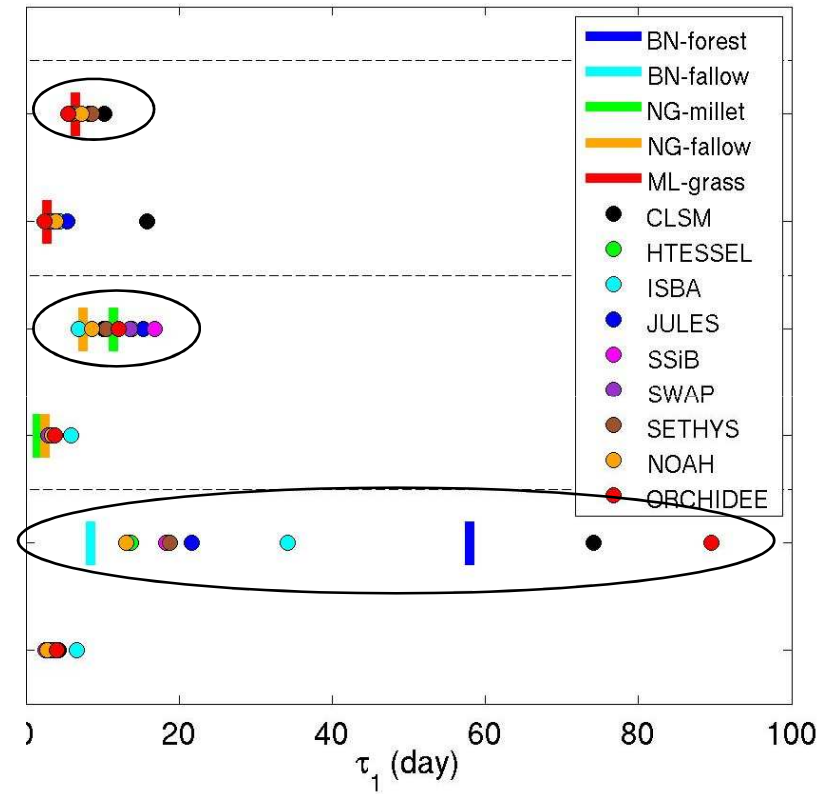
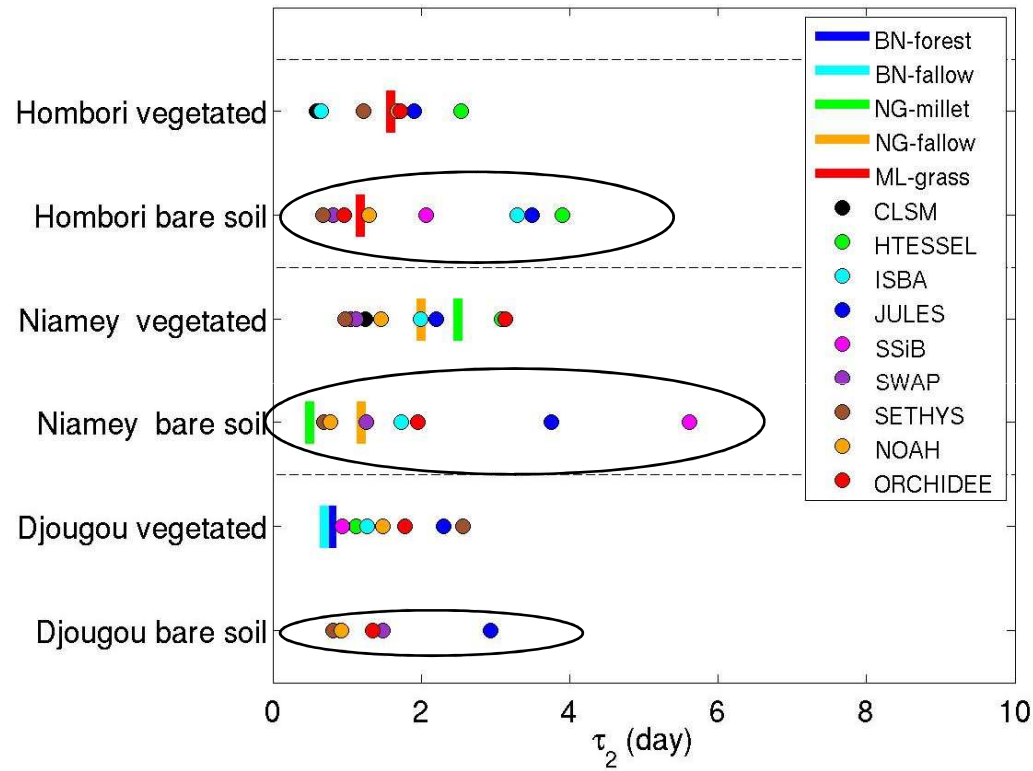
Niamey  
location  
(Niger)



Djougou  
location  
(Benin)



# Recovery period





# Conclusion

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## Coté expérience

- ❖ Fort couplage entre l'humidité du sol et l'amplitude de la réponse de la surface à un évènement pluvieux.
- ❖ Lois exponentielles proches de celles déjà trouvées dans la littérature.
  - Sol nu: échelle temporelle de 1 à 2 jours
  - Végétation: dépendant de la profondeur des racines  
(herbe : 6 jours / forêt: 58 jours)

## Coté LSM

- ❖ Pas de loi liant l'amplitude de la réponse de la surface et l'humidité du sol.
- ❖ Dispersions des runs LSM plus importantes:
  - ❖ Sur les sols nus que sur les sols avec de la végétation.
  - ❖ Sur les paysages comportant une végétation variée.

*Merci aux expérimentateurs et aux modélisateurs d'avoir alimenté ces bases de données !!*



THANK YOU

# Recovery period

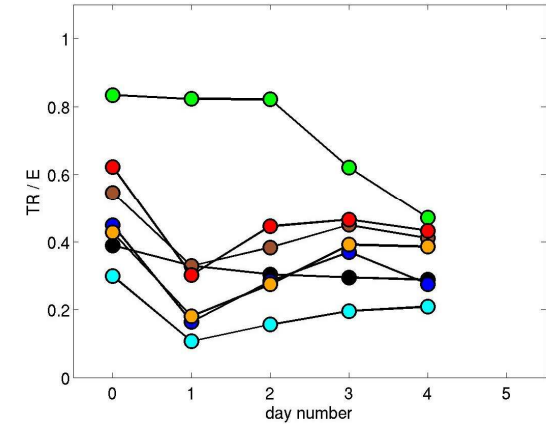
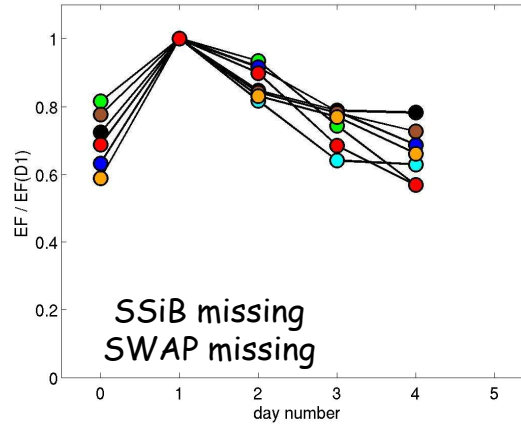
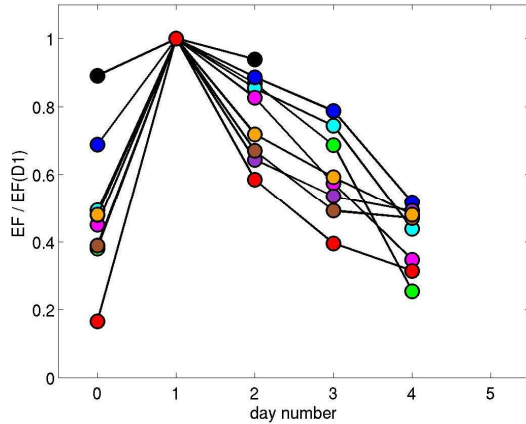


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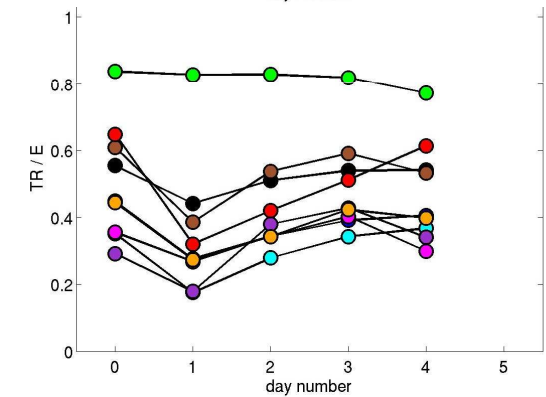
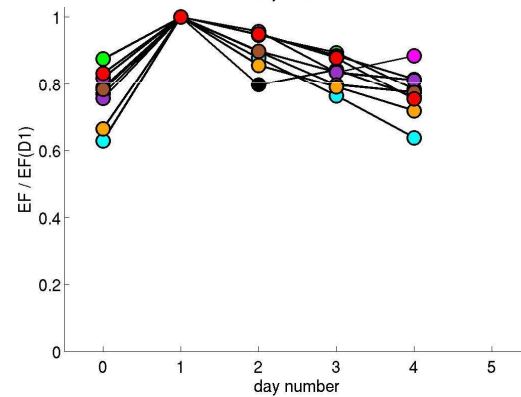
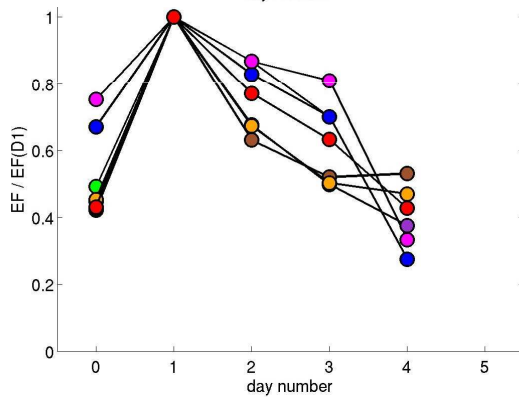
*EF / EF(D1) Vegetated*

*TR / E vegetated*

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location  
(Mali)*



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(Niger)*



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(Benin)*

