

## LAND-SAF application within ALMIP Phase 2

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# ALMIP

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Intercomparison Project Phase 2

## ALMIP strategy:

A **high priority** of the African Monsoon Multi-disciplinary Analysis (AMMA) is to better understand and model the influence of the spatial and temporal variability of surface processes on the atmospheric circulation patterns and the regional scale water and energy cycles relative to the West African Monsoon (WAM). This is being addressed through a **multi-scale** modeling approach using an **ensemble of land surface models** which rely on dedicated **satellite-based forcing and land surface parameter products**, and data from the **AMMA observational field campaigns**

Break various components of complex coupled system into manageable portions which can then provide insight into various processes: 1st step → Force LSMs in **Offline mode**

**LSM (or SVAT)** → lower BC for atmospheric models, upper BC for hydrological model

For more on AMMA, See Redelsperger *et al.*, 2006, BAMS



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## Context: why is the land surface important for the WAM?

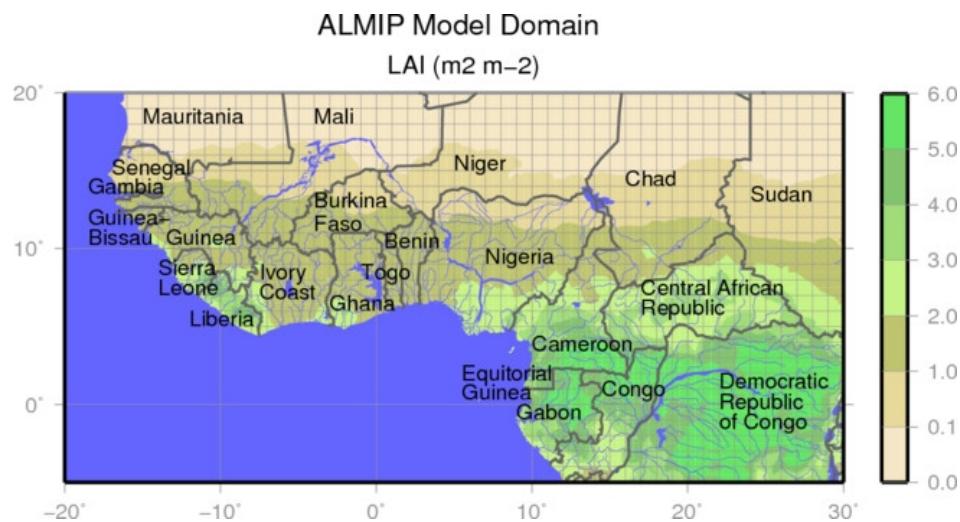
- Surface conditions modulate PBL development, convective initiation
- Surface fluxes condition low level meridional gradients of moist static energy → Rnet
- Surface albedo and meridional gradient influence radiative feedbacks
- Surface humidity and roughness influence flux of aerosols
- Long term surface memory effects from deep soil moisture reserves and vegetation extraction → long term prediction
- Vegetation feedbacks and Carbon fluxes, impacts on hydrological cycle...
- LULC change and water resource management: population expansion/Society

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## ALMIP (Phase1) – Regional Scale



**Exp1** – ECOCLIMAP sfc parameters, ECMWF atmospheric forcing

**Exp.s 2,3** – as in Exp1, but atmospheric (state variables) forcing **merged** with satellite products for rainfall and downwelling radiative fluxes → EPSAT-SG & TRMM 3B42 (rain), OSI & LAND-SAF radiative fluxes



## ALMIP – Phase 1

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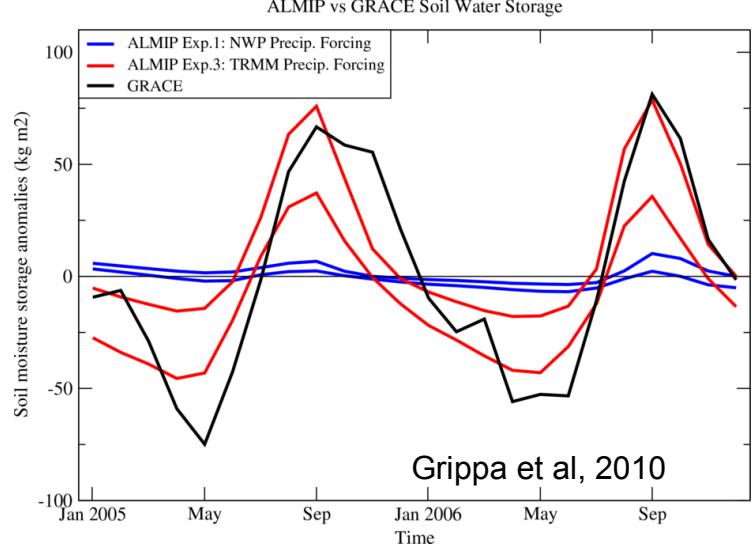
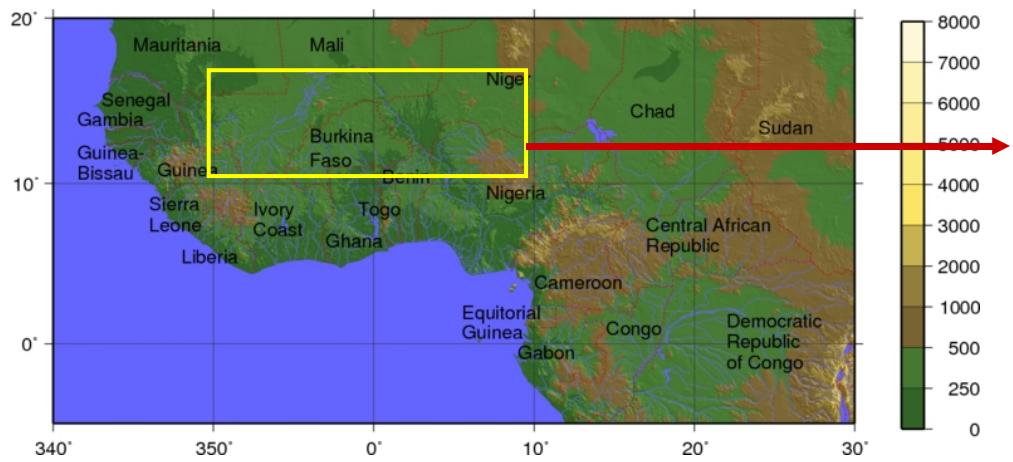
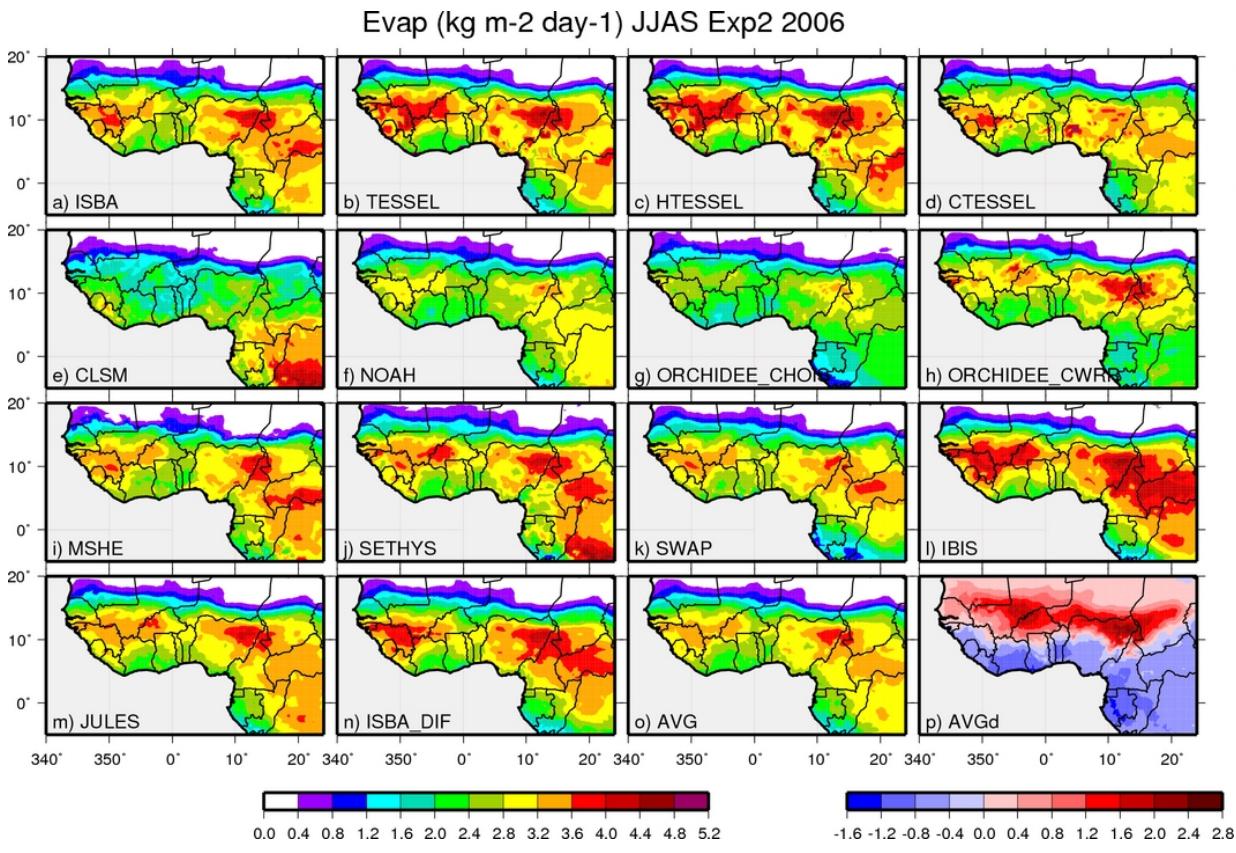
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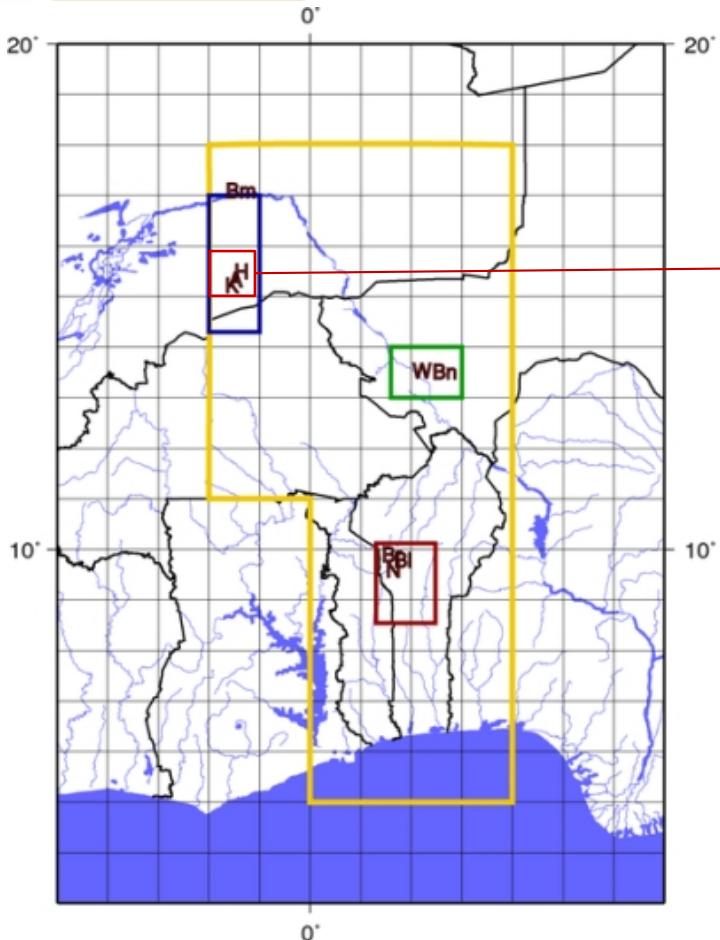


## ALMIP (Phase1)

- Intercomparison, inter-model variability
- Products for atmospheric model studies & water budget
- Large scale evaluation

\* 13 publications 2009-2010 so far...(and ongoing)





#### Flux Sites:

A = Agoufou  
 Bm = Bamba  
 Bn = Banizoumbou  
 Bl = Belifoungou  
 Br = Bira  
 H = Hedgerit  
 K = Kelema  
 N = Nalohou  
 W = Wankama

#### Zones:

Sub-regional window  
 Oueme  
 Niamey  
 Gourma

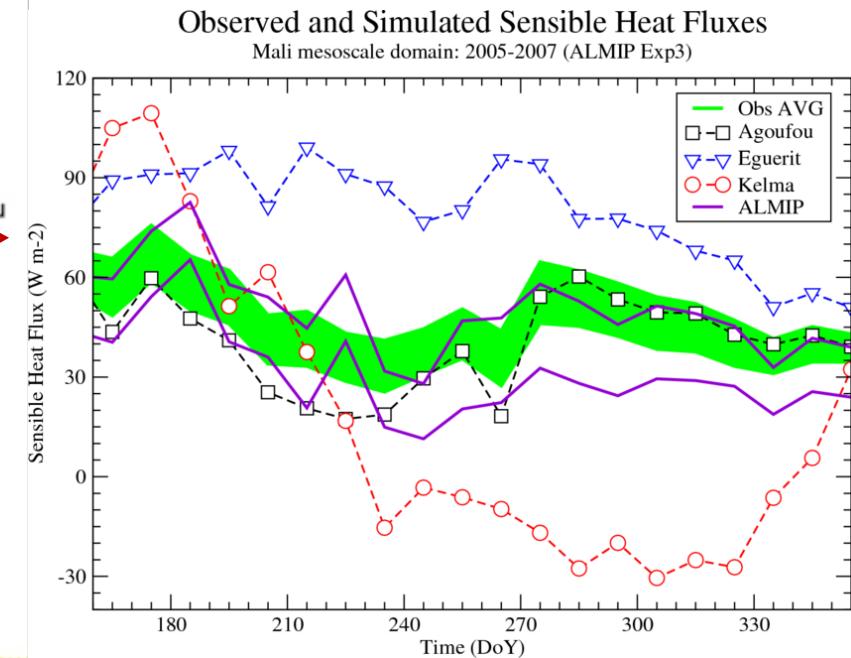


Fig. from Boone *et al.* 2010: Data from Timouk *et al.*, 2009

- Comparing regional scale grid point to aggregated local scale data
- Significant inter-site variability within same meso-square



ALMIP1 → ALMIP2

Regional → Meso & local scales

## ALMIP2 Science Questions:

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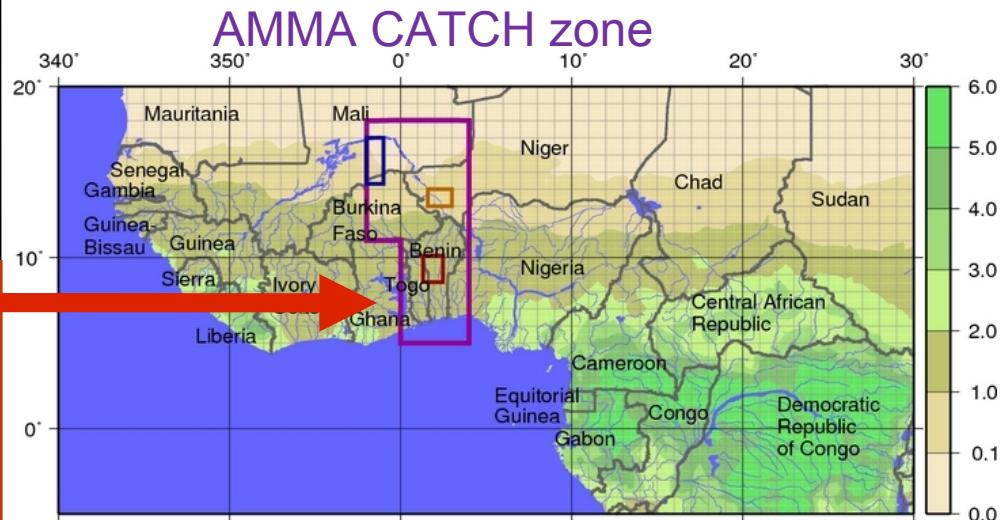
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## Model Domain (land points only)



Exp4a: Control experiments for the 3 meso-sites, 2005-2008

Exp4b: Additional precipitation inputs – radar based

Exp4c: as in 4a and 4b, but **simulate** the vegetation

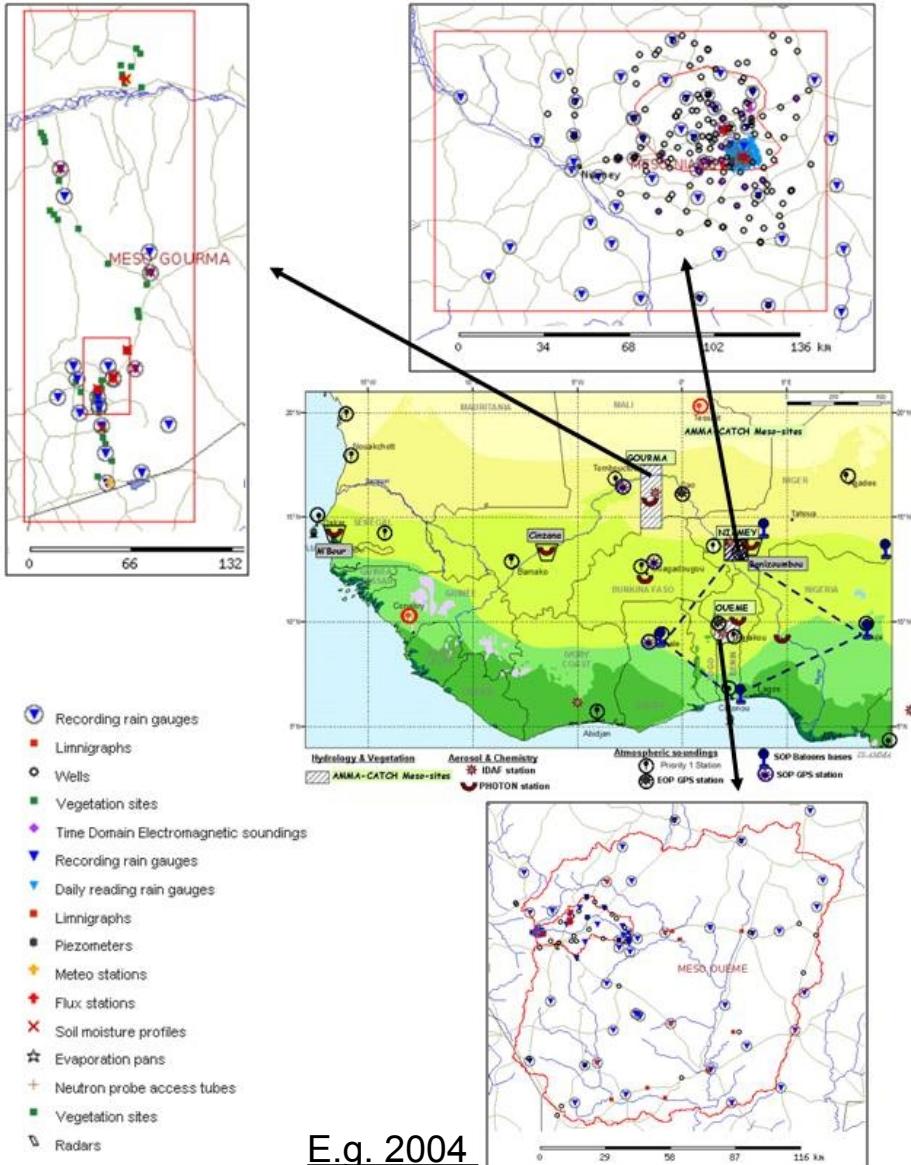
Exp5a: Simulate **local scale** for at least 1 site (more!?) for each meso-square

Exp5b: as in 4a, but **simulate** the vegetation

## Local Scale Observational Data

### Forcing (input)

- Meteorological State: Air T, RH (2 m), surface pressure, Wind speed (10 or 2 m)
- Radiative Fluxes: Downwelling shortwave (SWdown) and longwave (LWdown) fluxes (30min)
- Precipitation Flux (30min)
- Soil (texture, hydrological & thermal parameters, albedo)
- Vegetation (cover type, characteristics: LAI, albedo,  $R_s_{min}$ , root depth, height...)



E.g. 2004

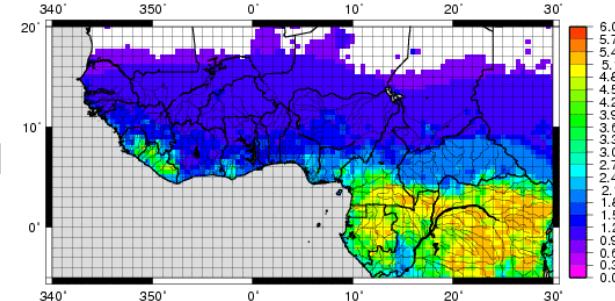
- 44 rain gauges
- 19 discharge sites
- 4 flux stations...



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### Land Surface Model Soil-Vegetation Parameters

- ECOCLIMAP – global 1x1 km<sup>2</sup>, decadal
- Operational NWP, Mesoscale research CNRM/Météo-France
- **ECOCLIMAP2 (inter-annual var)** Kaptué & Roujean (CNRM)



### LAND-SAF Downwelling radiative flux products

E.g. LAND-SAF Solar Radiation:

- MSG Data: 0.6μm, 0.8μm, 1.6μm
- Land/Sea Mask, Cloud Mask (SAF-NWC software)
- Total Column Water Vapour (ECMWF)
- Ozone Content (Climatology)
- Land Surface Albedo: Static Map, later AL product
- [Visibility -> Aerosol Optical Thickness]
- **AMMA-SAT → 0.05 deg., 30 min., July 2005+**  
(see Geiger et al)

### Rainfall

**Krigged+Lagrangian: T. Vischel, G. Quantin, T. Lebel, M. Gosset, J. Viarre** (LTRE, LMTG)

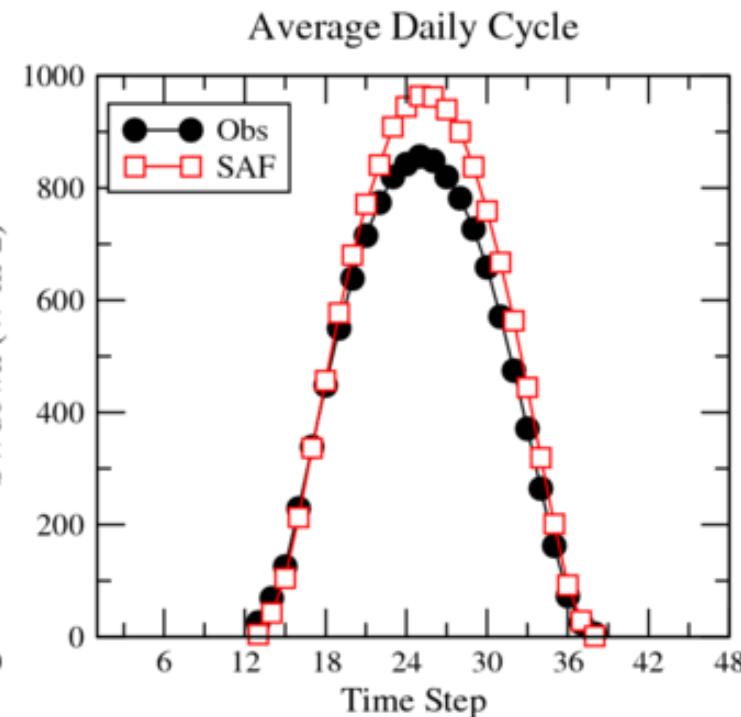
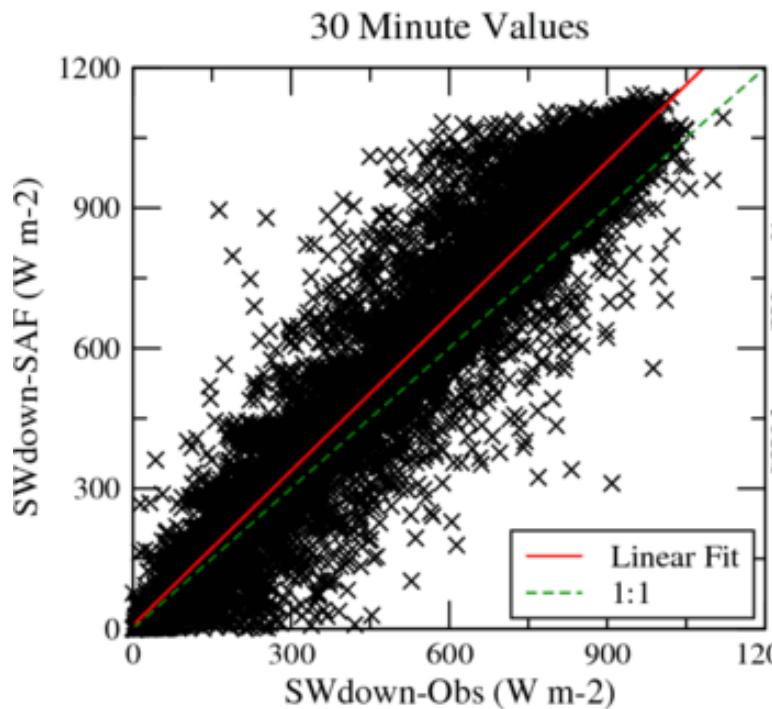
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**Radar-based: M. Gosset, J. Viarre** (LMTG)

**Meteorology:** ECMWF fcst

## Forcing evaluation: satellite vs local obs:

AMMA-CATCH Niger Site (2006-2007)



Benin site:

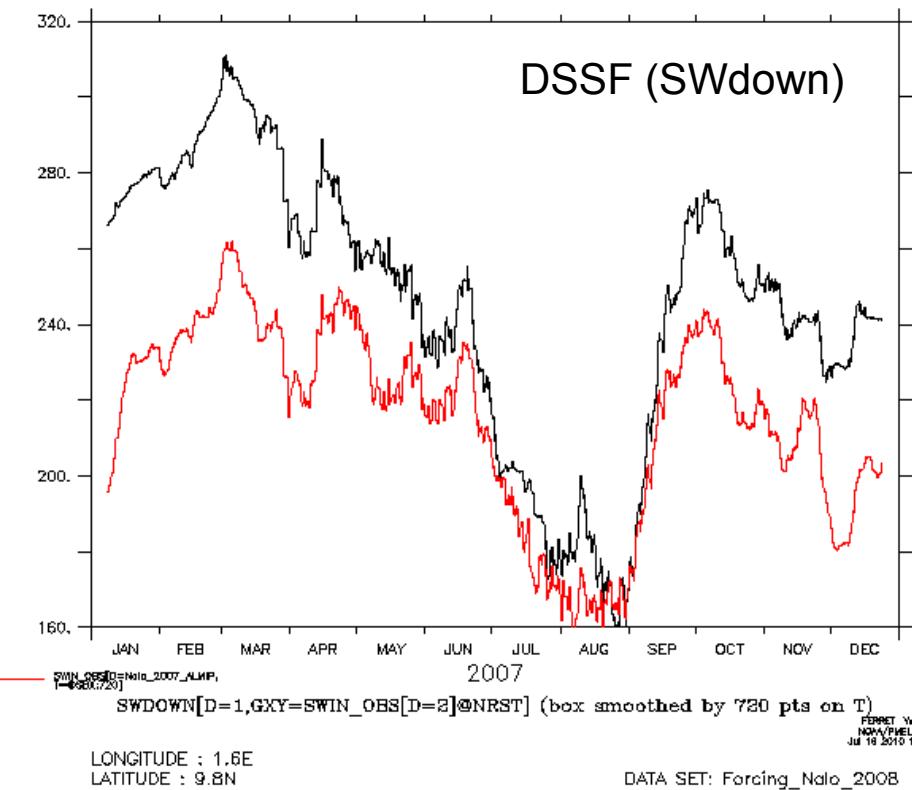
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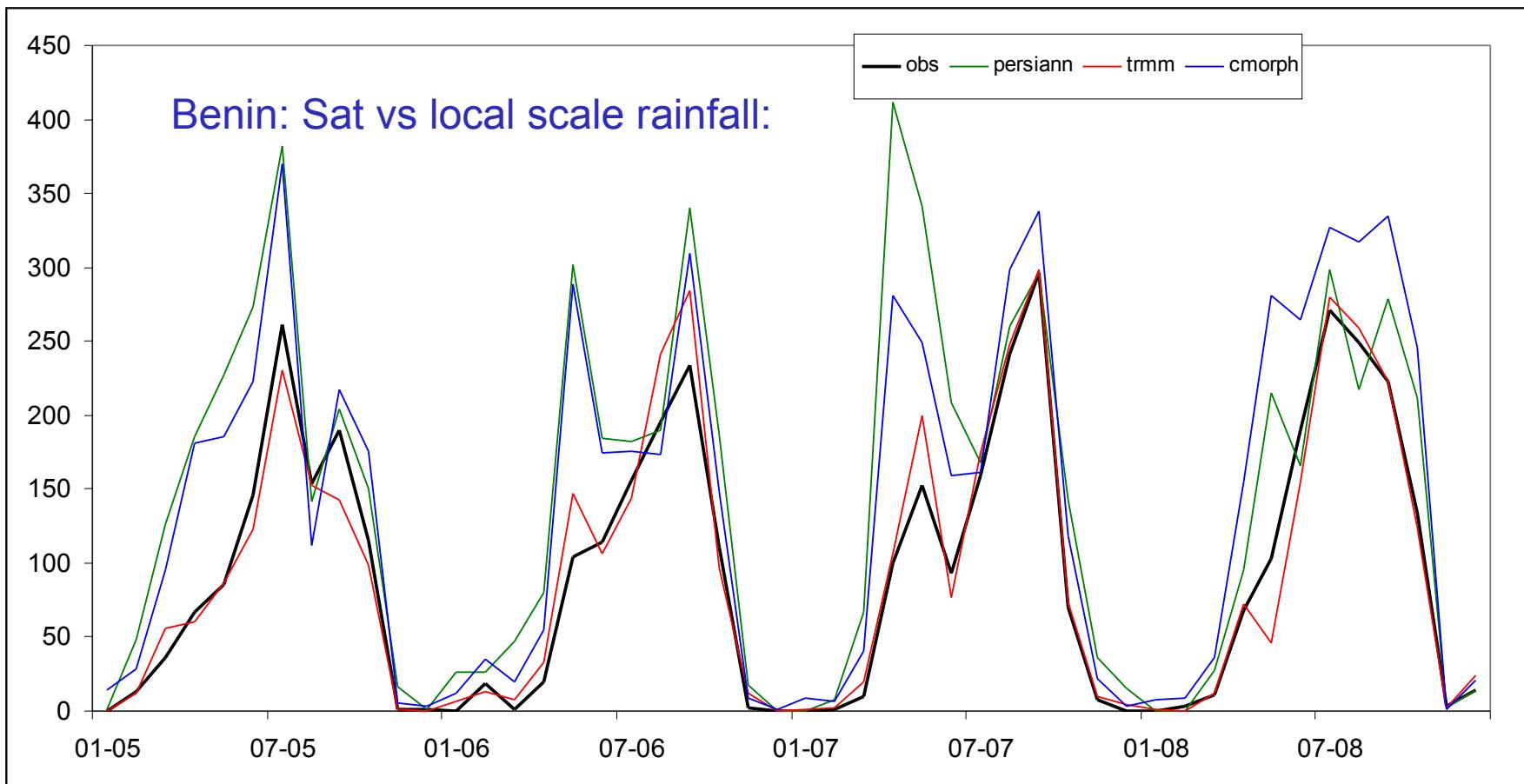
Obs —————

SAF has a + bias during the dry season...possible culprit is aerosol

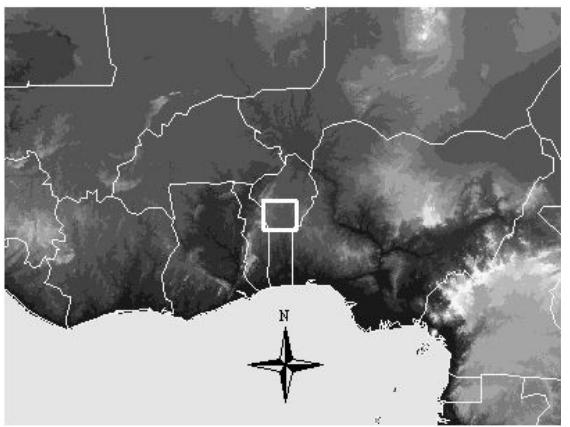
- correction testing...(Roujean, Kocha, Lafore)
- But peak bias during period when Evap is lowest
- DSLF & DSSF bias offsetting

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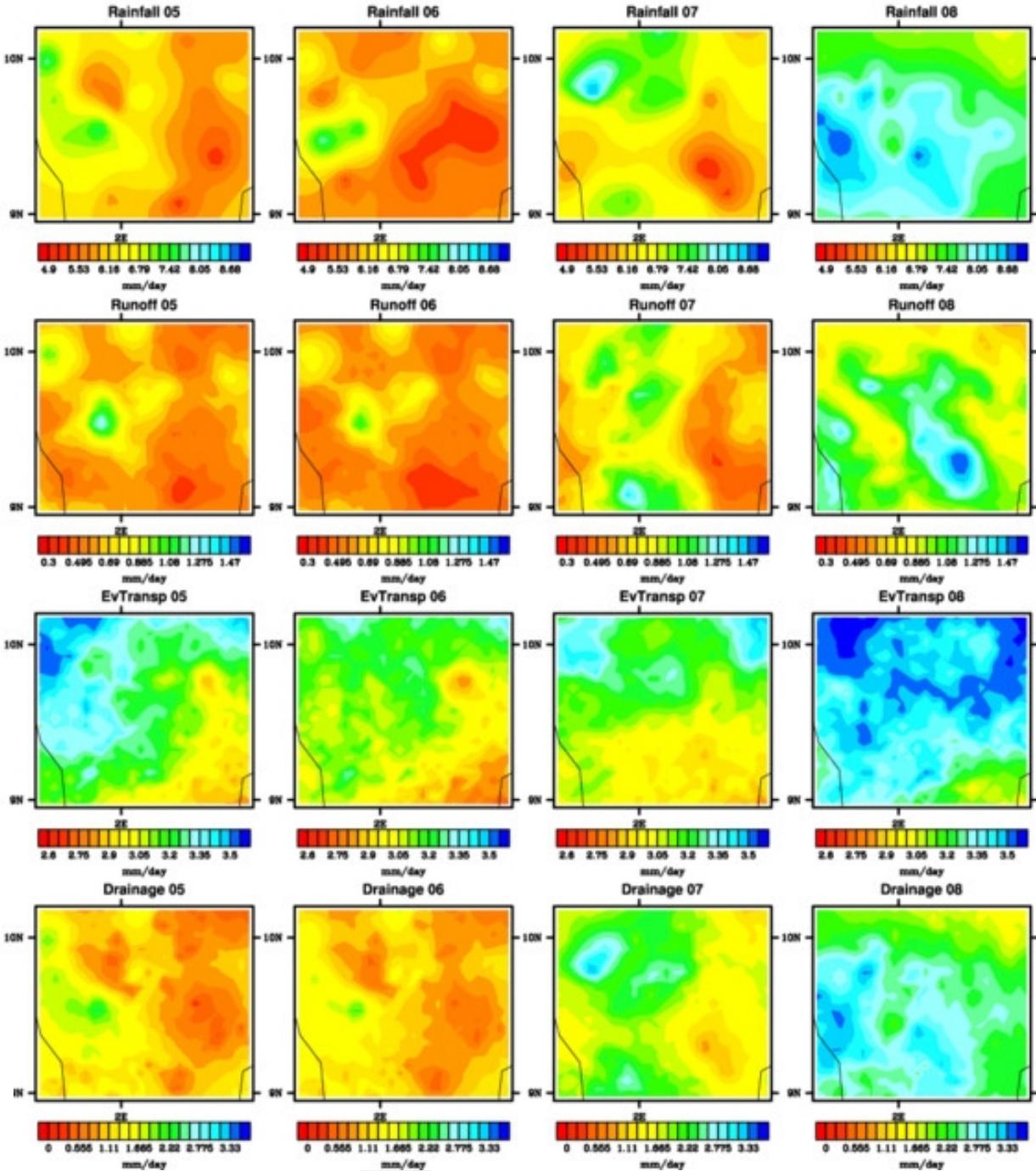


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Prec. med 2005-2008 (mm/day)	3.03	3.06	4.59	4.67



## ISBA-SURFEX

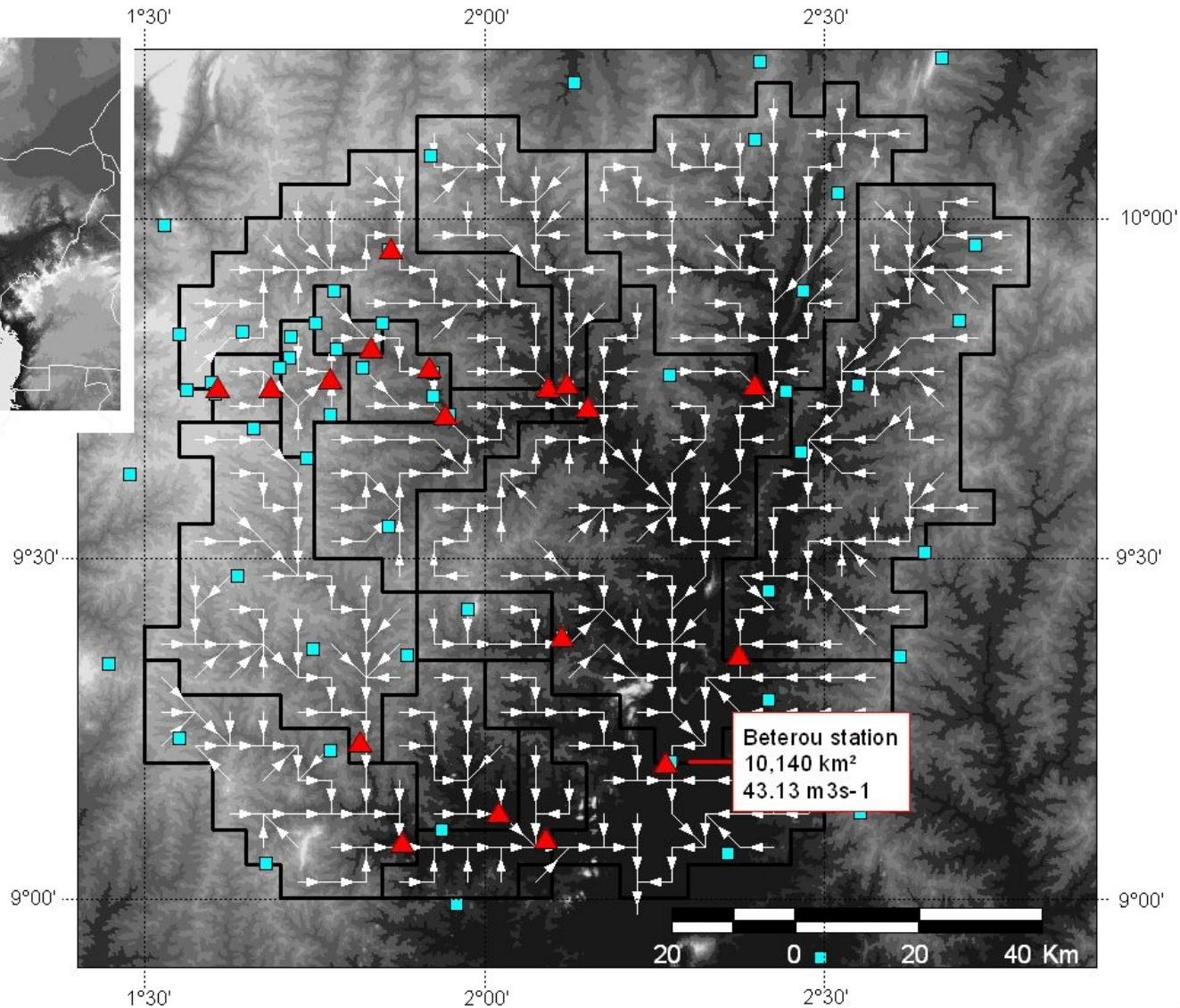
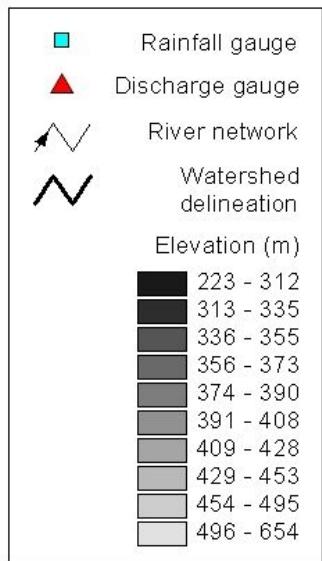
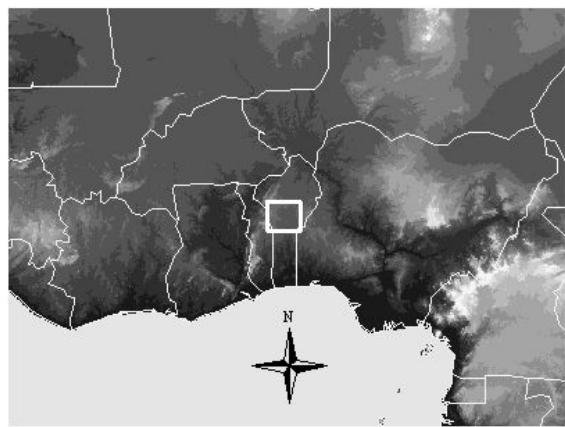
- Considerable inter-annual variability (forcing)
- Evaluation -LAND-SAF LST...
- Comparison- other sat-based (SAF) products?
- Evaluation- using discharge →





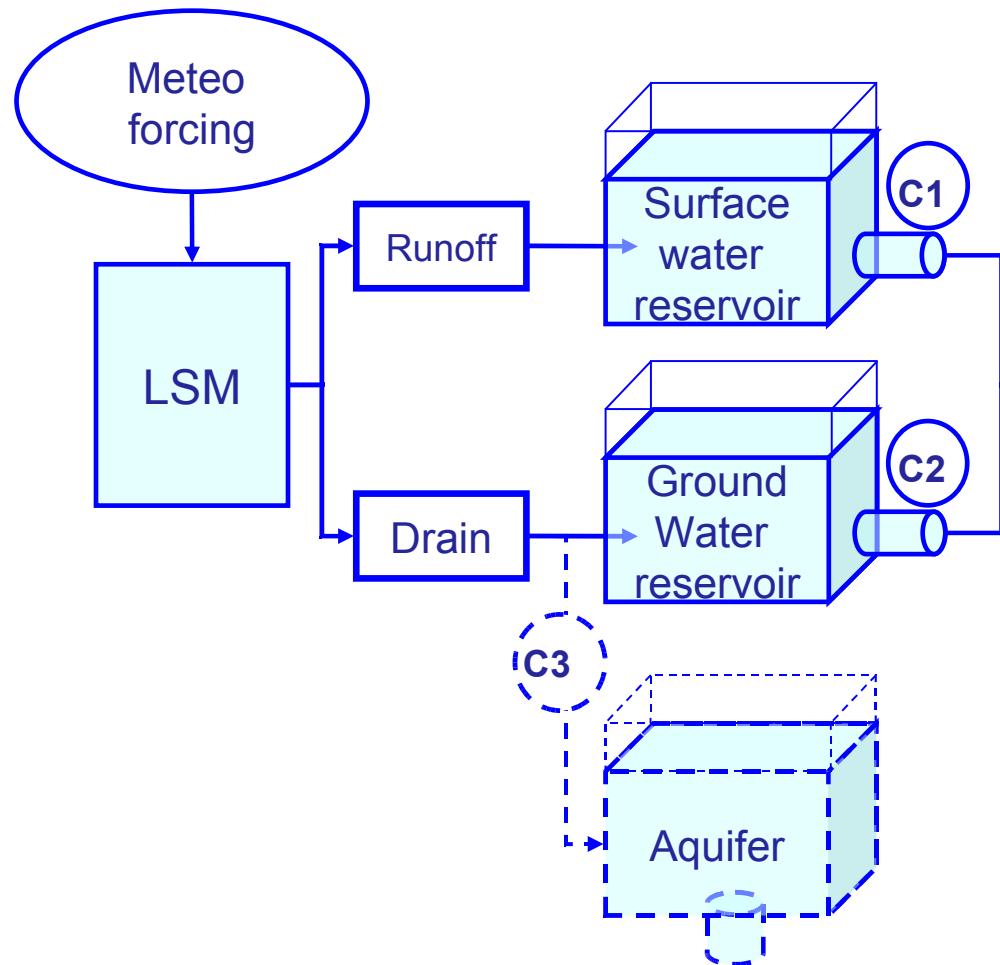
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C1 – concentration time of the surface water reservoir

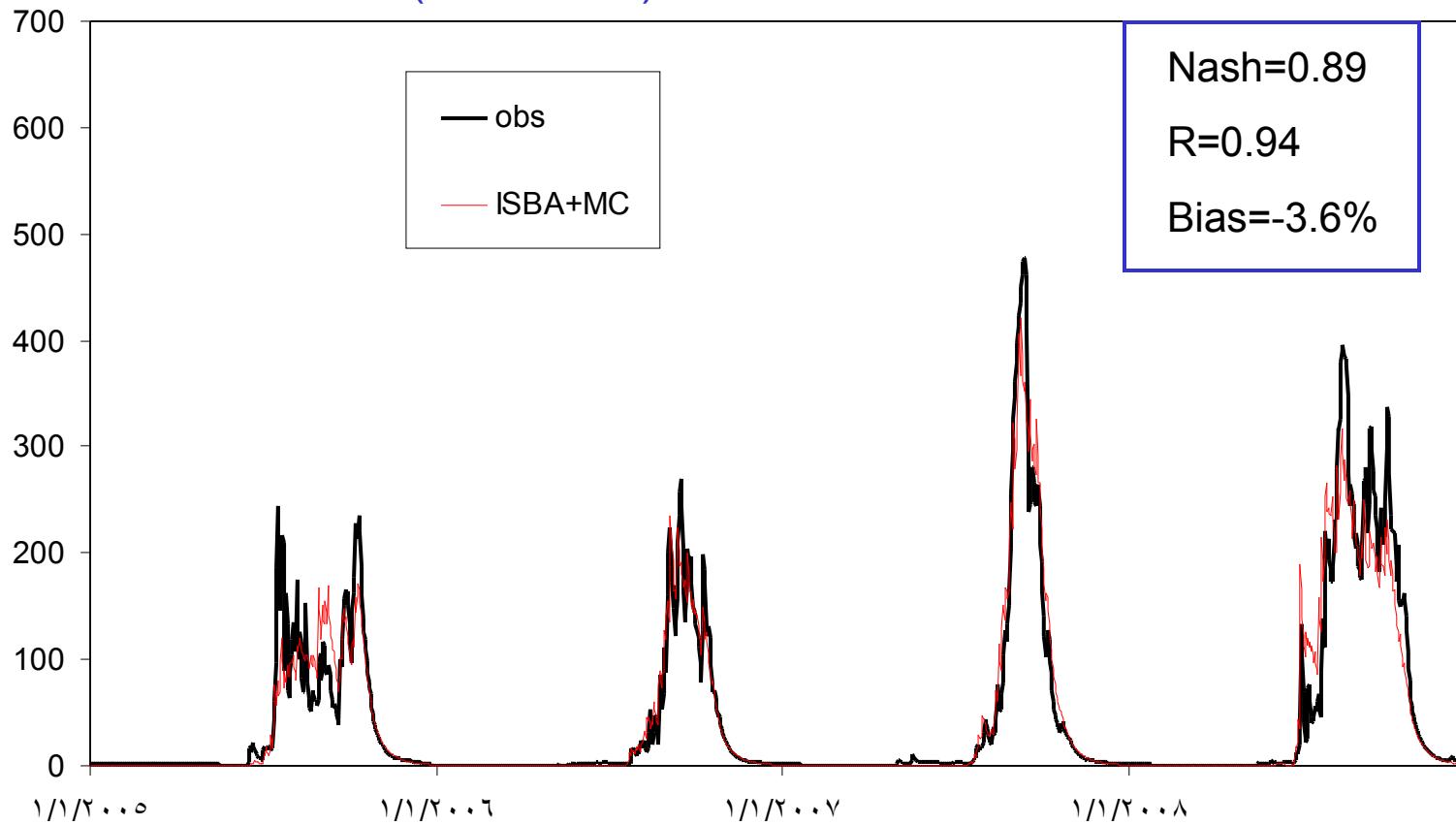
C2 – concentration time of the groundwater reservoir

n – Roughness -Manning coefficient

Getirana, Boone & Peugeot (2011)

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Discharge: simulated by ISBA (SURFEX) with MC routing for the Ouémé basin (at Beterou):





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