

# Welcome to the 29<sup>th</sup> CEOS WGCV

Avignon 30 September – 3 October

# Some logistics

- WIFI access: take account name and password
- Lunch
  - About 500m from meeting room.
- Dinner on Wednesday 20:00
  - D'ici et d'ailleurs
- La Crau site Visit on Thursday 14:00
  - 14:45 Visit Les Baux de Provence (60 minutes)
  - 16:15 Mouries (Olive oil) (30 minutes)
  - 17:15 Visit La Crau Site (30 minutes)
  - 19:00 Back in Avignon

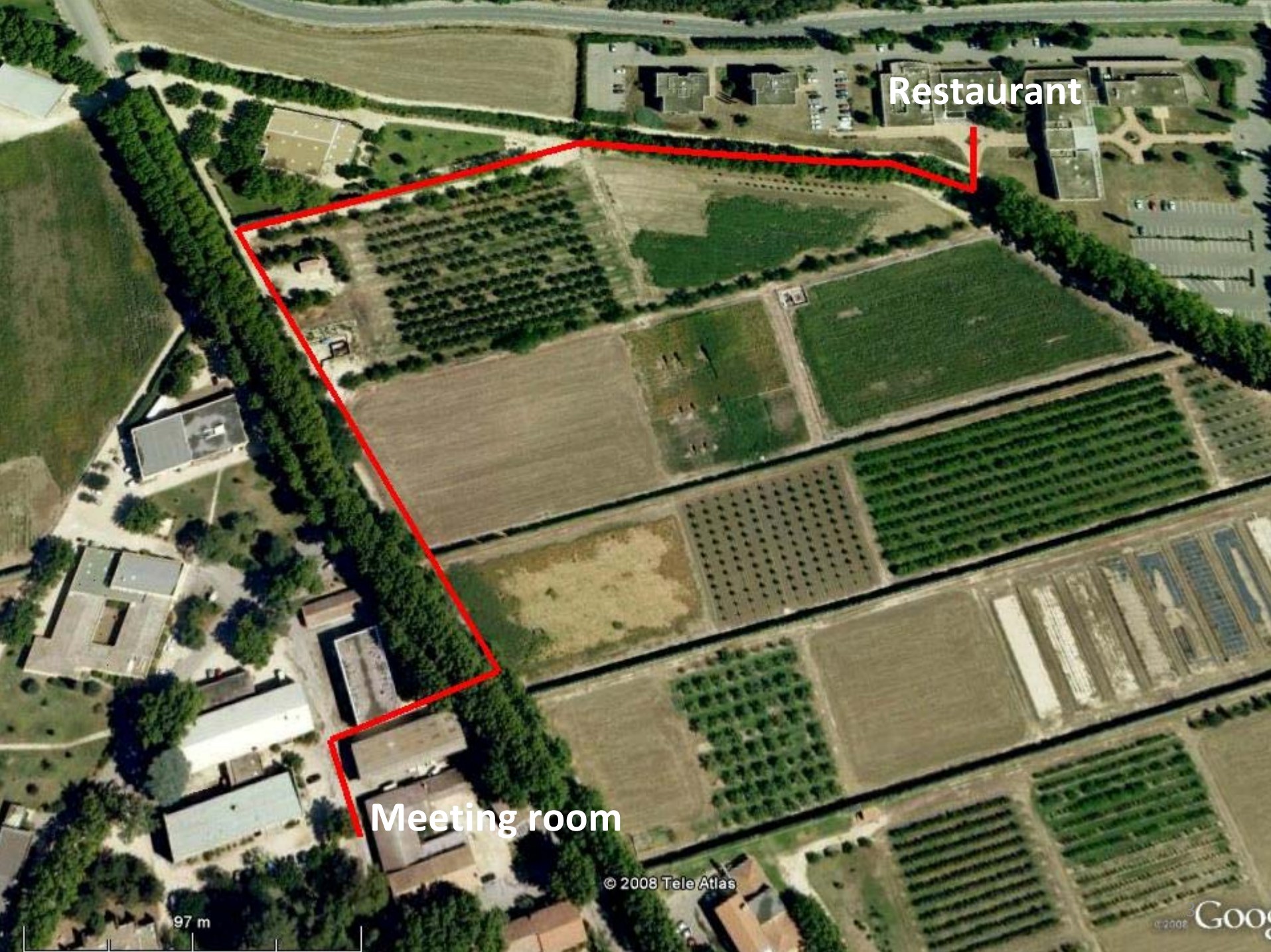
Restaurant

Meeting room

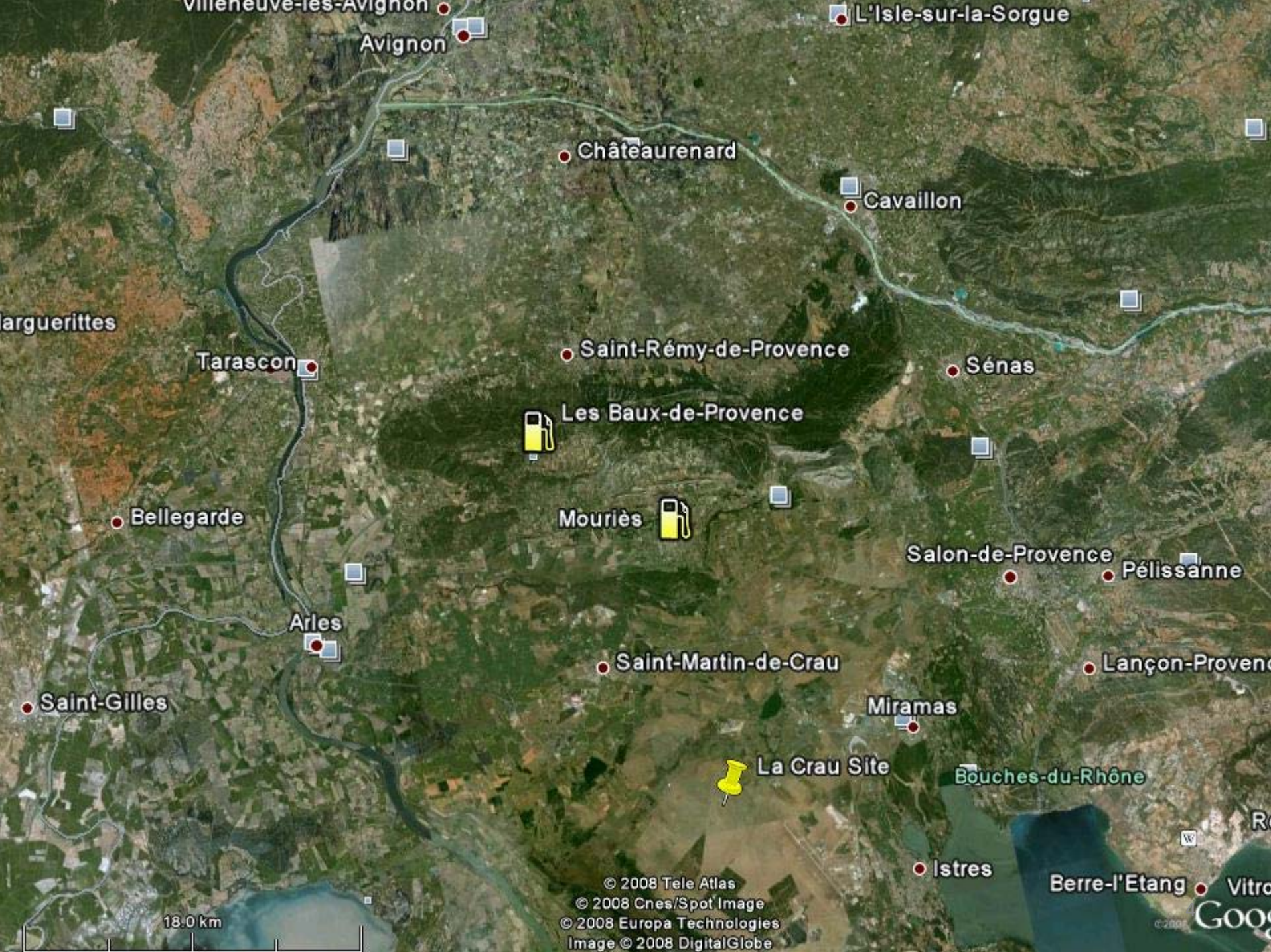
97 m

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Villeneuve-les-Avignon

Avignon

L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue

Châteaurenard

Cavaillon

Argenteries

Tarascon

Saint-Rémy-de-Provence

Sénas



Les Baux-de-Provence

Bellegarde

Mouriès



Salon-de-Provence

Pélissanne

Arles

Saint-Martin-de-Crau

Lançon-Provence

Saint-Gilles

Miramas



La Crau Site

Bouches-du-Rhône

Istres

Berre-l'Etang

Vitrolles

18.0 km

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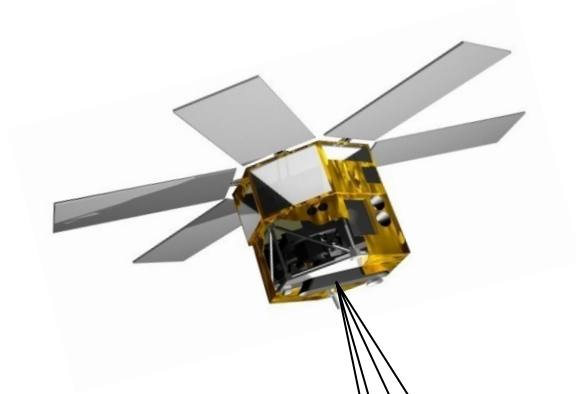


# INRA Key figures

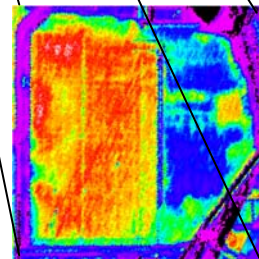


- 8,504 staff members, including:
  - 1800 researchers
  - 2400 engineers
  - 1800 PhD students
  - 250 post-doc
- 14 research divisions,
- 20 regional centers,
- €800 millions budget
- First ranked research institute in Europe for publications in Agriculture and Food
- Second ranked in the world





# Remote sensing Activities at INRA



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Modélisation des Agro-Hydrosystèmes

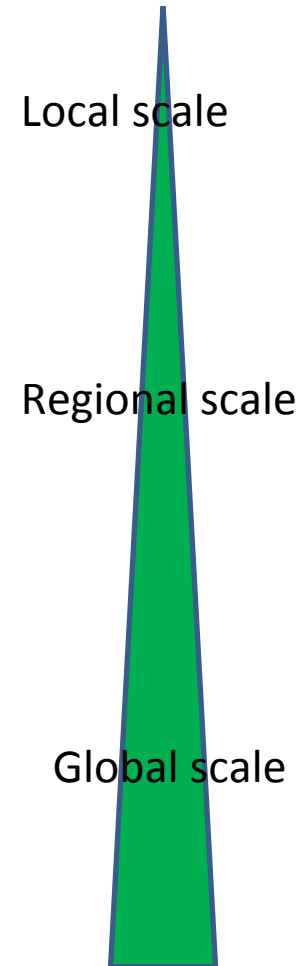
# General Objectives

## Characterizing vegetation functioning from the local to the global scales for:

- ➔ Improving knowledge on canopy processes:  
*develop, calibrate, validate canopy process models*
- ➔ Develop monitoring techniques (space and time),
- ➔ Provide information to models for decision making

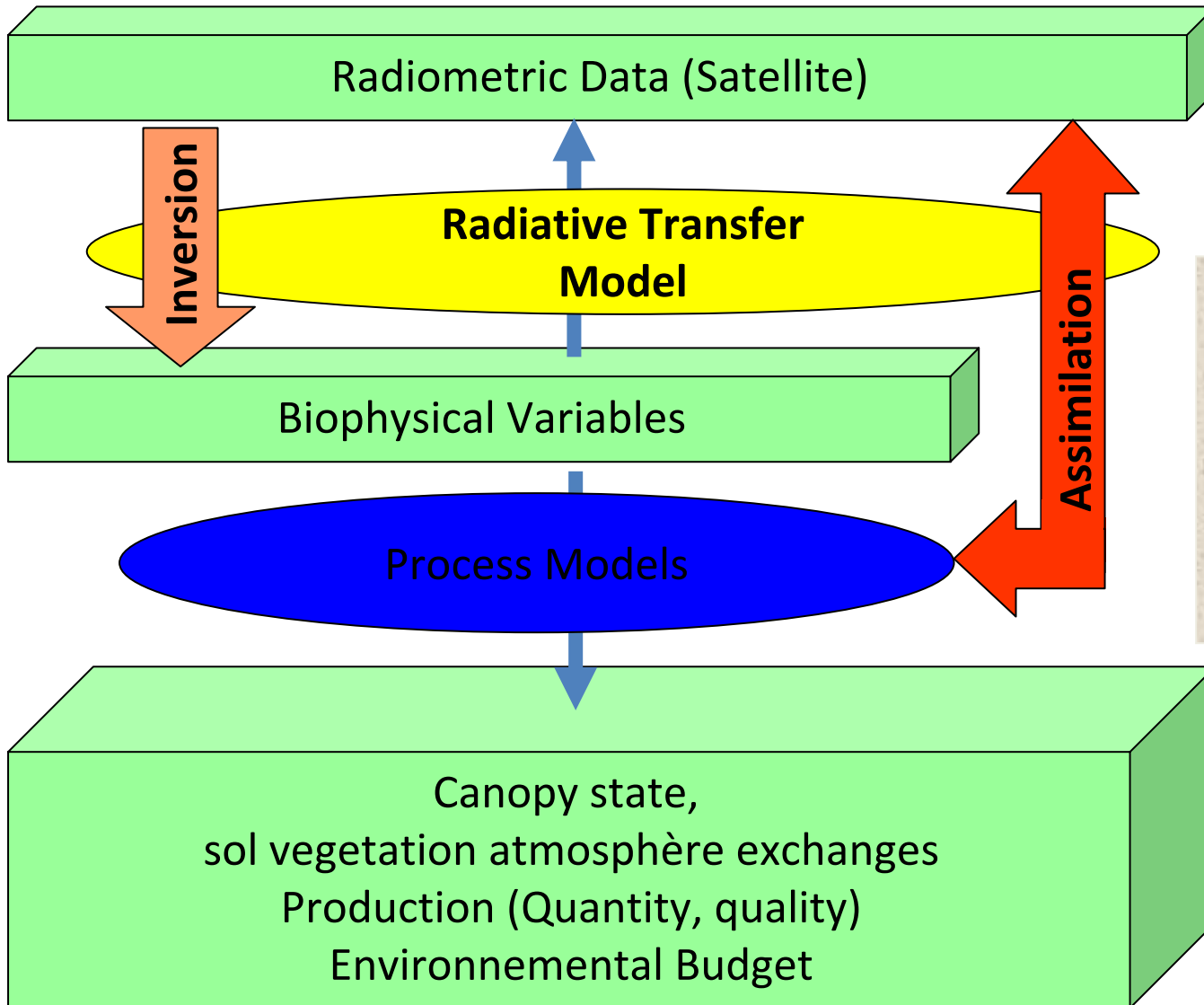
# Applications

- **Precision farming**
- **Hydrology**
- **Environmental budget**
- **Production estimation**
- **Landscape management**
- **Global change**
- ...



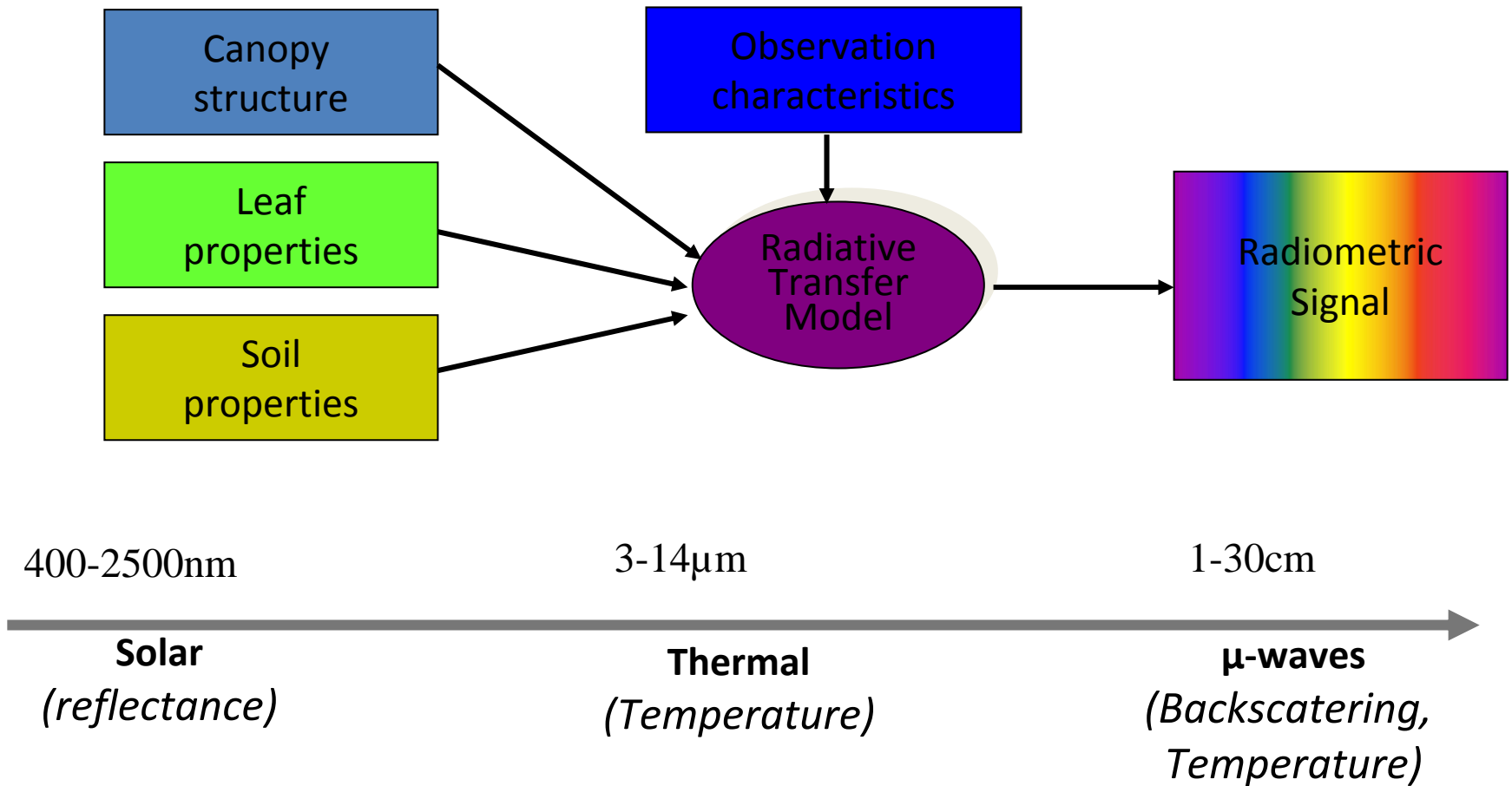


# Research axes


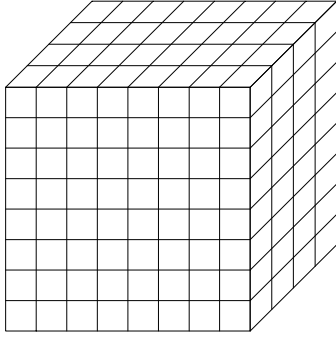
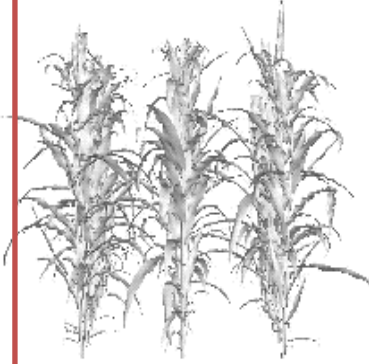


**3 axes**  
Modeling  
Inversion  
Assimilation

# Radiative Transfer Modeling

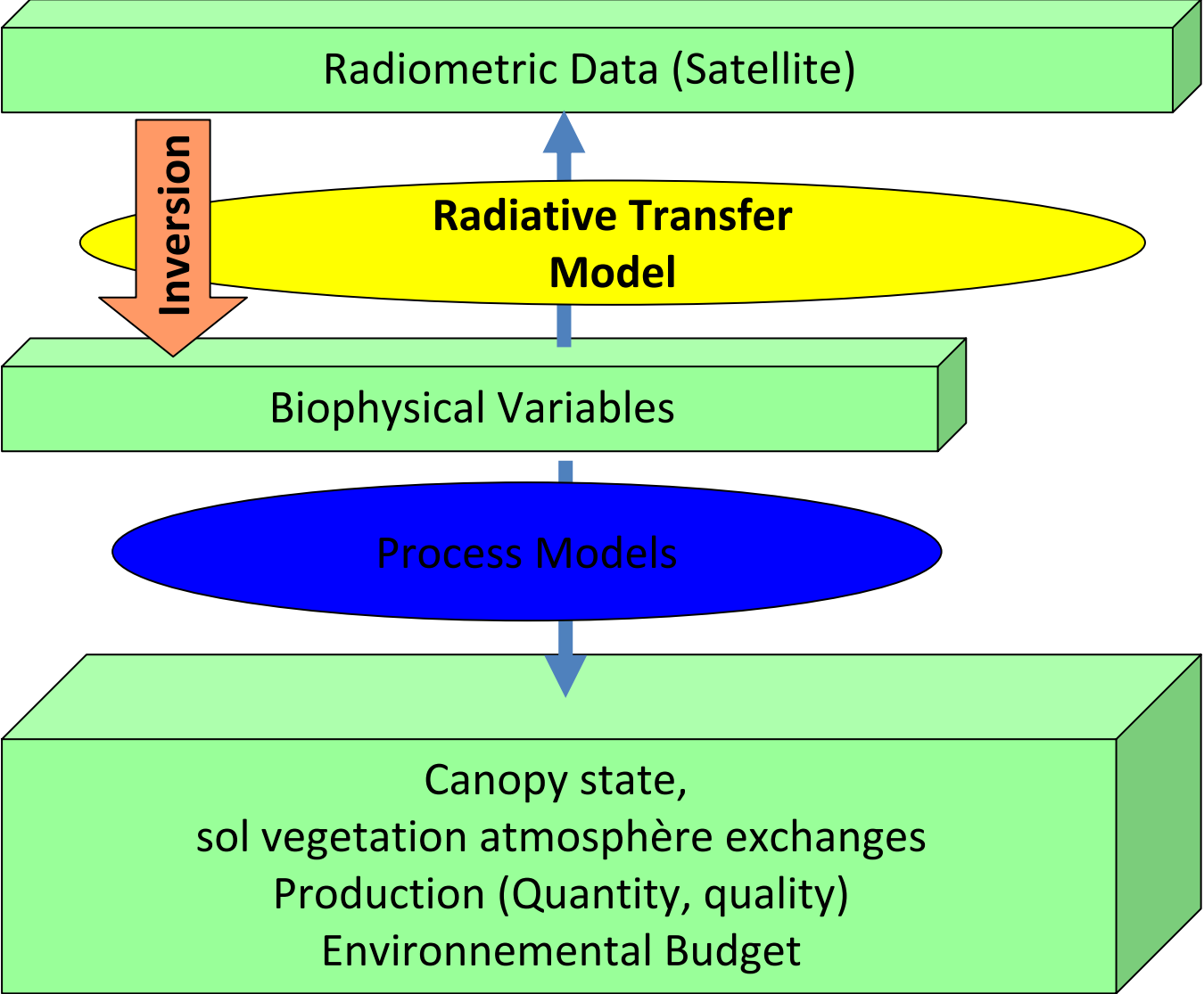


# Canopy structure description

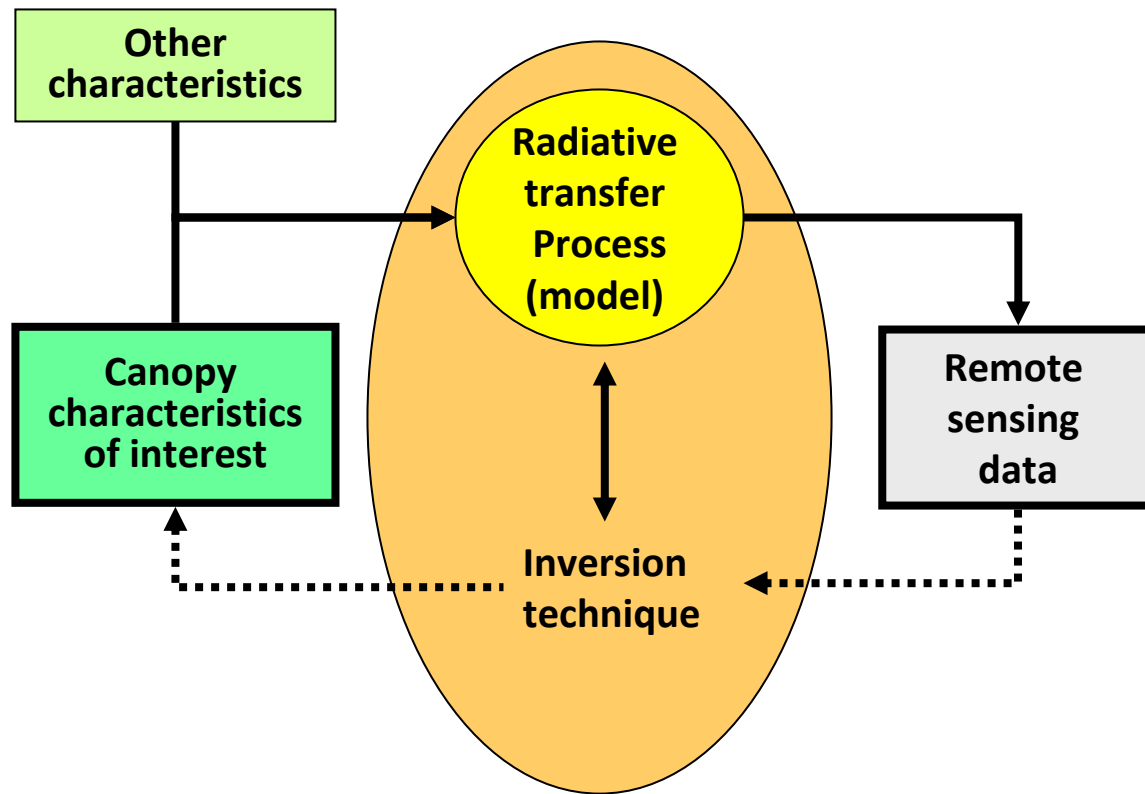
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				?
<b>Accuracy</b>	+	++	+++	+++
<b>Number of variables</b>	4	6+n	6+m	6+ε
<b>Computation speed</b>	+++	++	+	+++



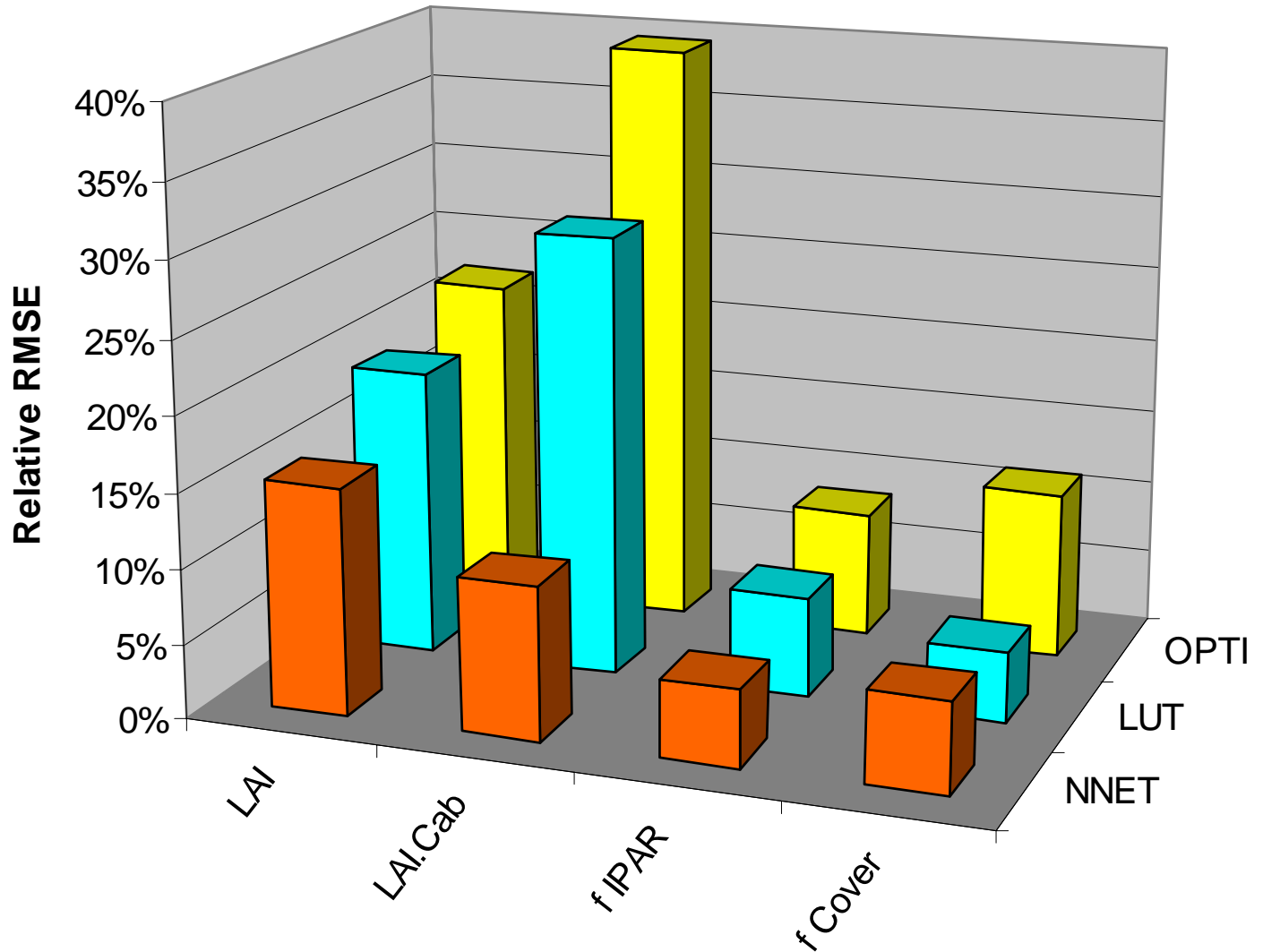
# Model inversion



# Model inversion to retrieve canopy biophysical variables

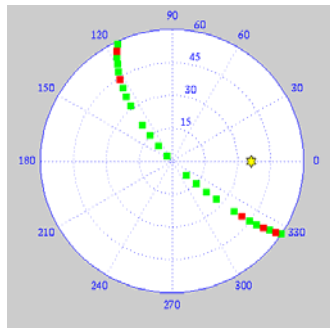


# Comparison of model inversion techniques

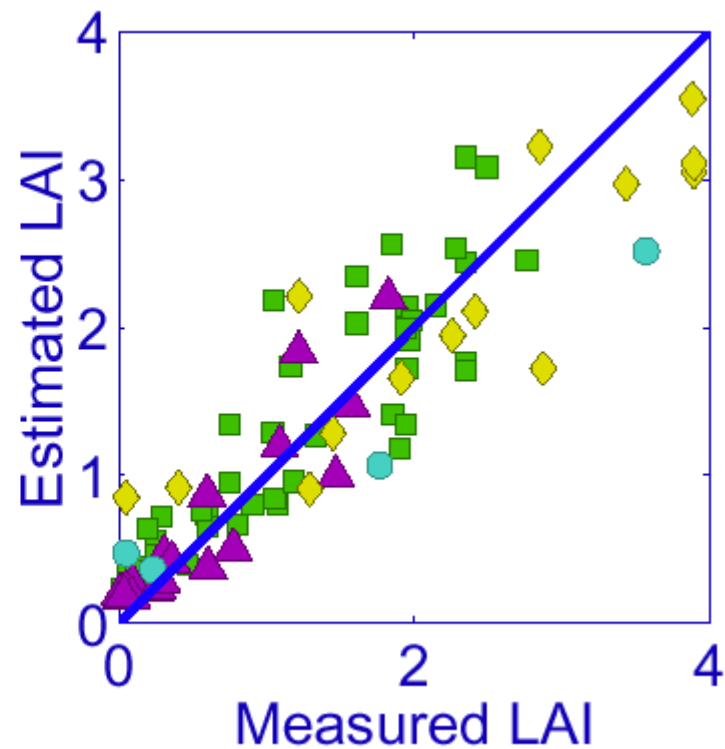
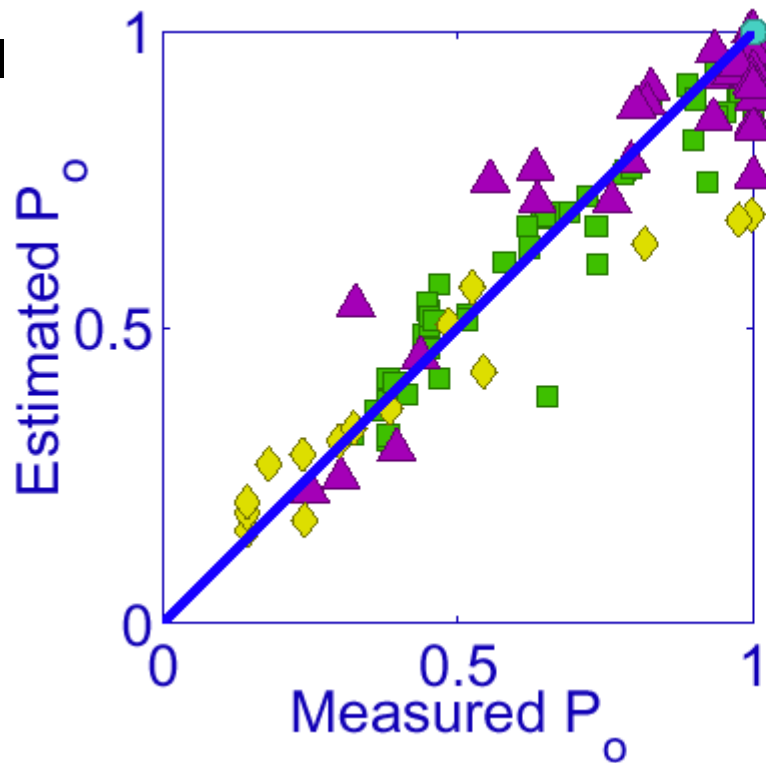
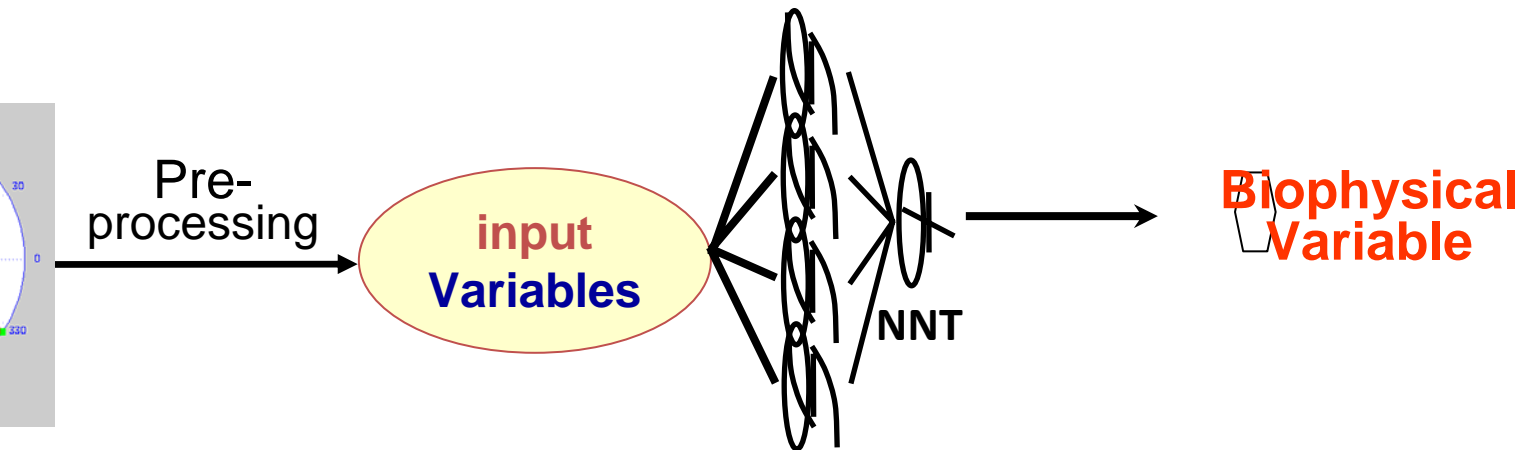




# Examples over ReSeDA 1997



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Directional  
sampling

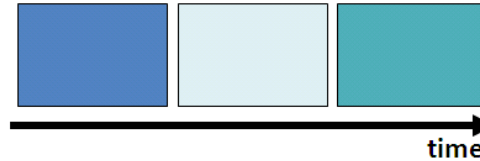


# Adding constraints: Multitemporal patch inversion

- **Atmosphere characteristics :**

$$A = (t_{550}, P_{atm}, C_{wv}, C_{O3})$$

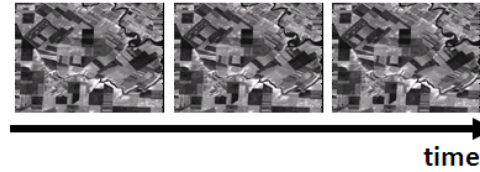
→ fixed on a given spatial window (few kilometers) but varies with time



- **Leaves and Canopy properties :**

$$C = (N, Cab, Cdm, Cs, LAI, ALA, Hot)$$

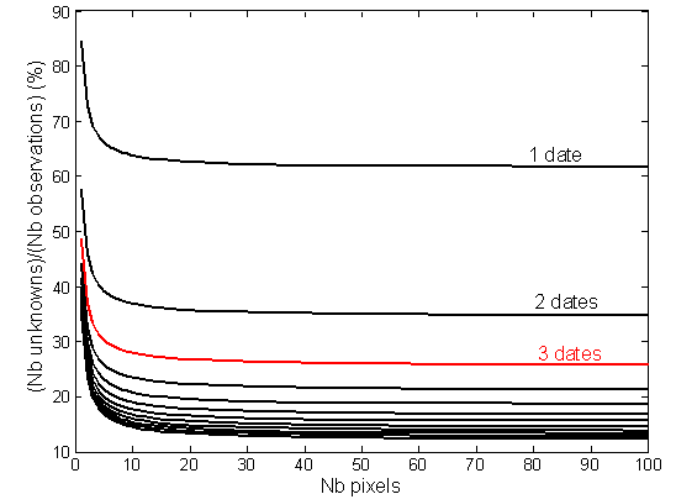
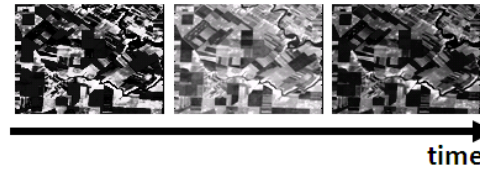
→ little variation in a given temporal window (10 days) but varies with space



- **The background brightness Bs**

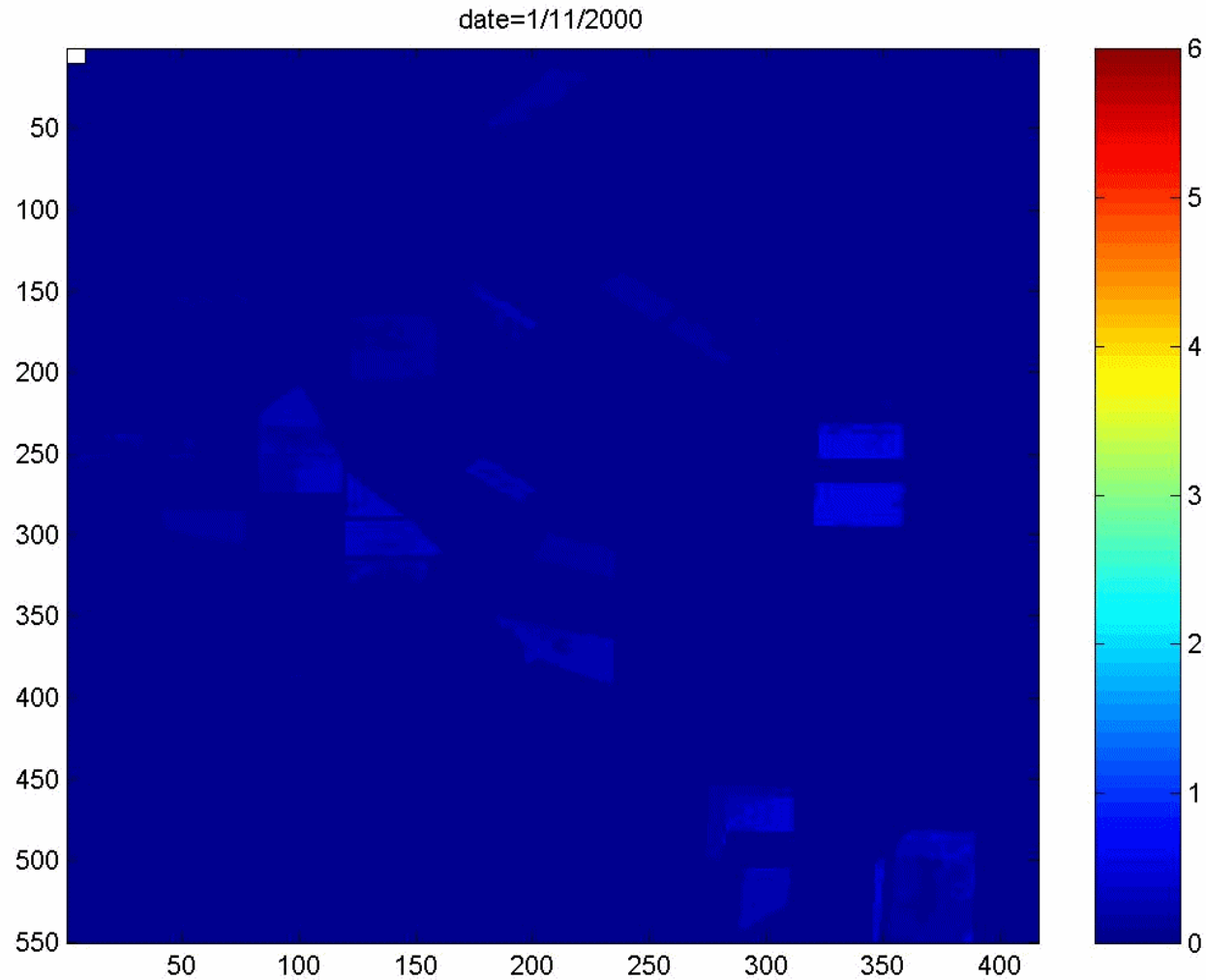
→ can vary both temporally and spatially

→ unconstrained



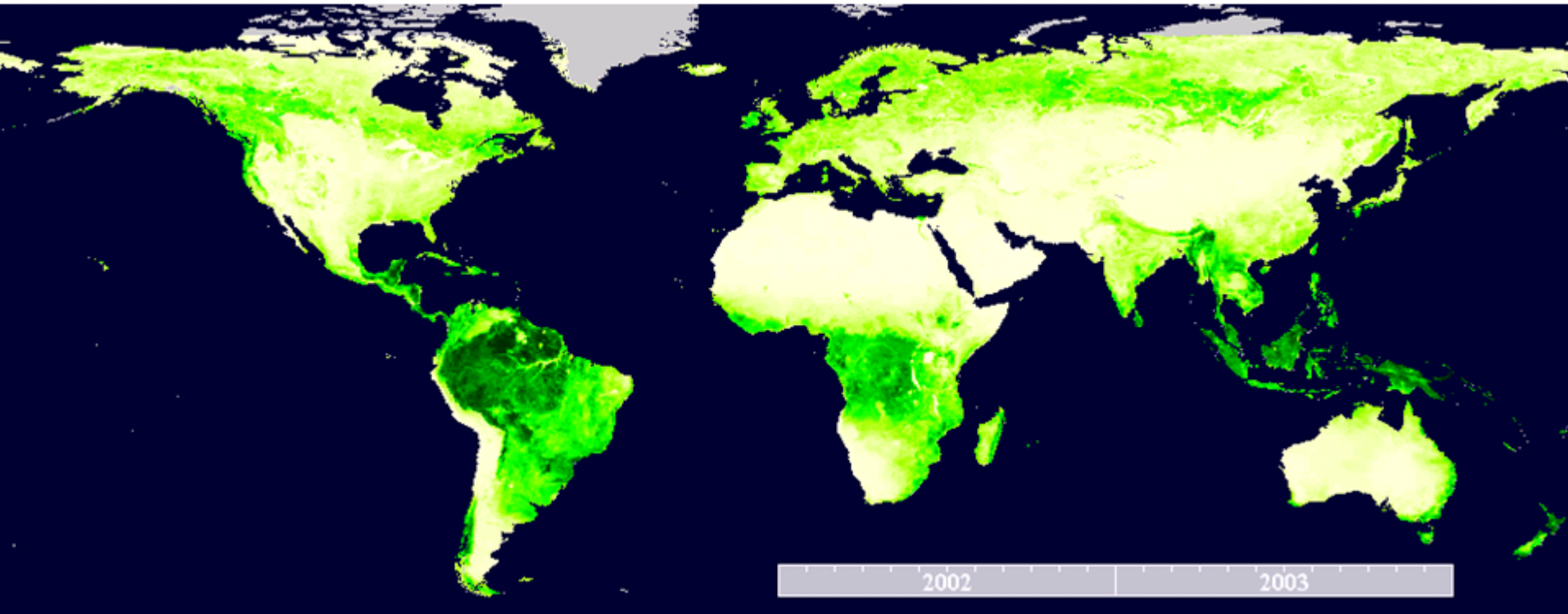
Application to the inversion from an heterogeneous ensemble of sensors

# Resultats: LAI-dynamics (ADAM 2001)





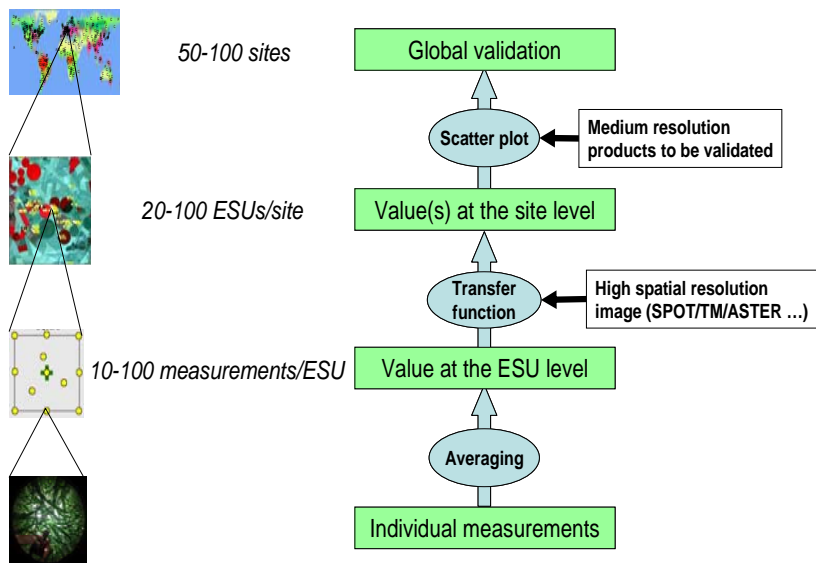
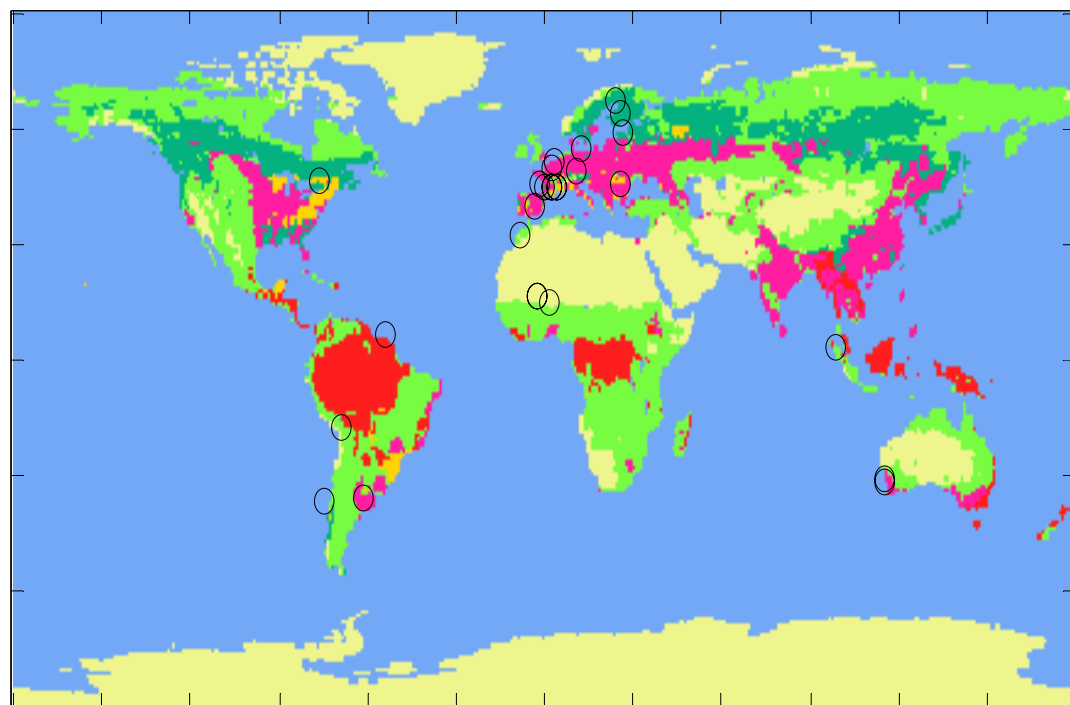
# CYCLOPES LAI products from VEGETATION





# VALERI

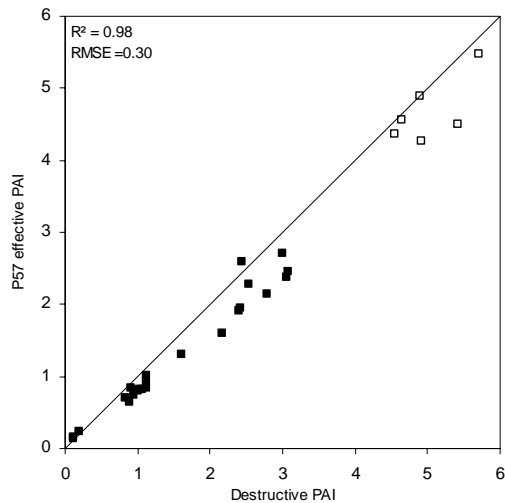
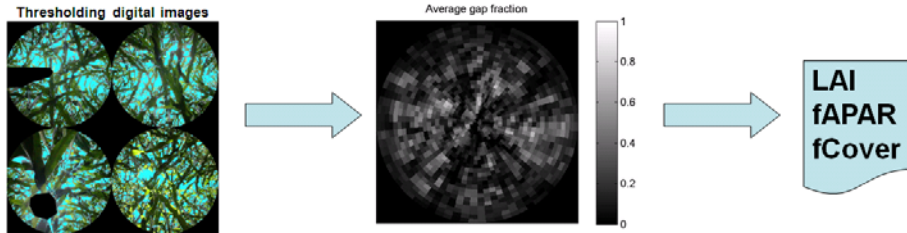
## Validation of medium resolution sensors



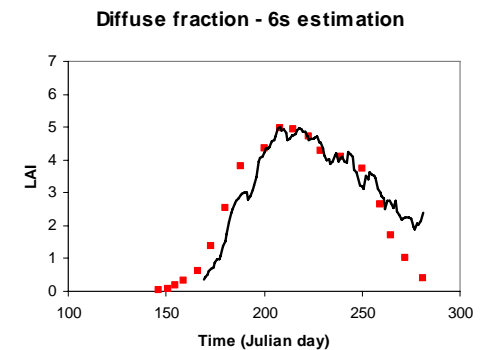
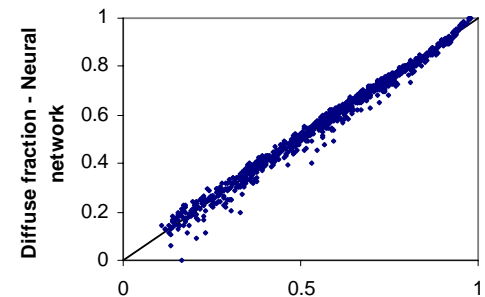
**50 sites\*year located around the globe; few sites have been sampled several times across season/years**

# New Ground measurement methods

## Digital photos (snapshot)

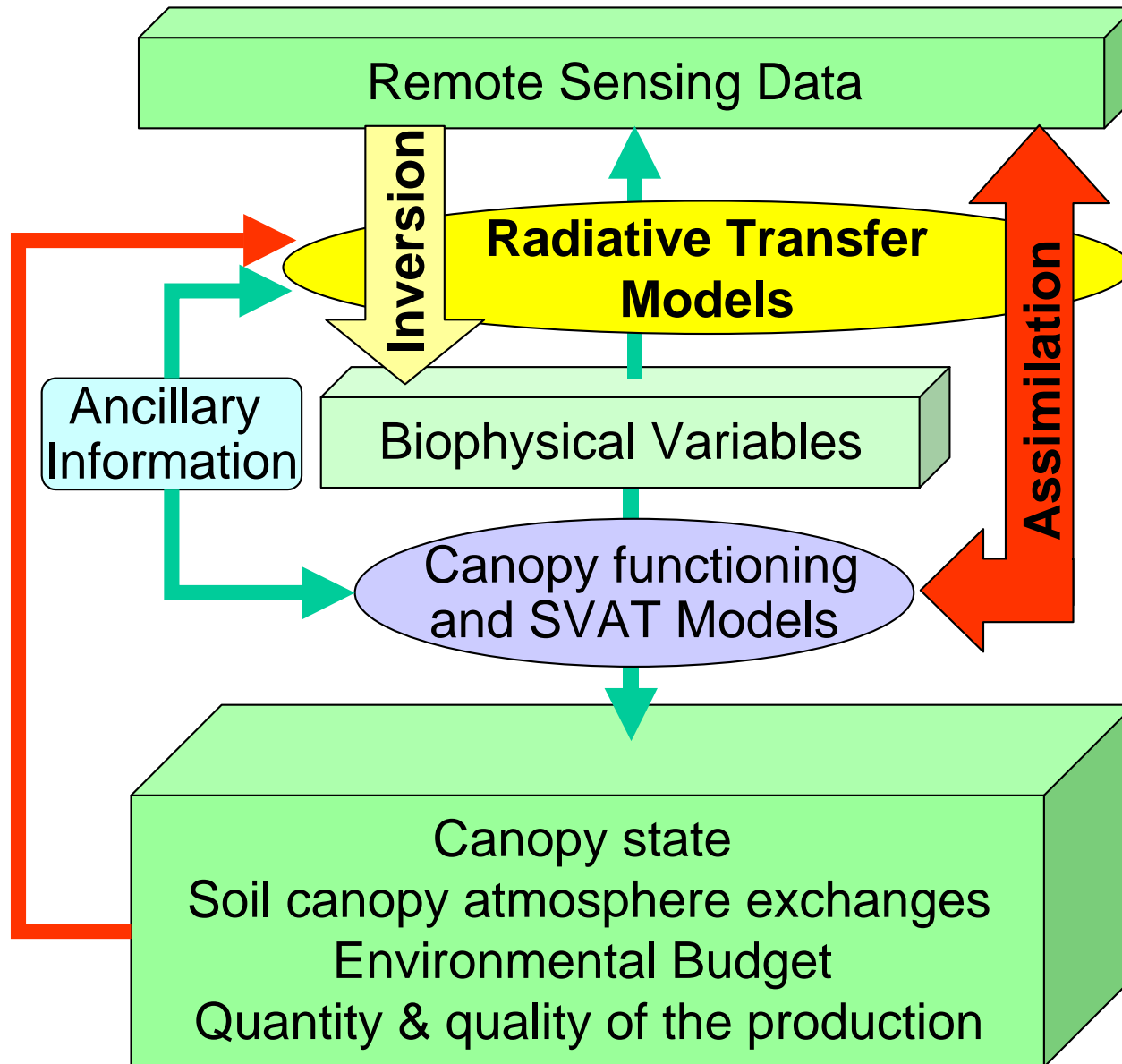


## Continuous monitoring PAR@METER

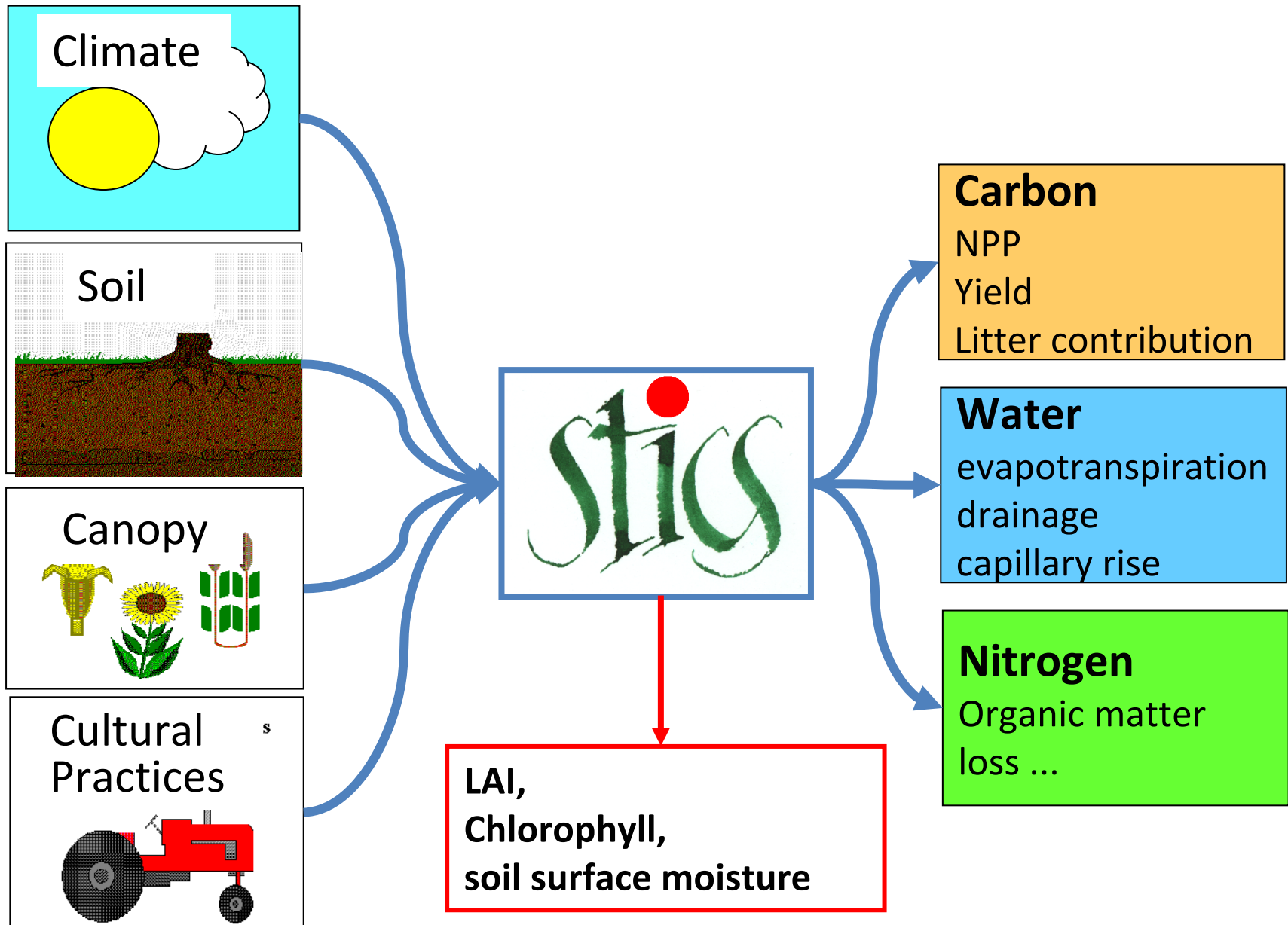




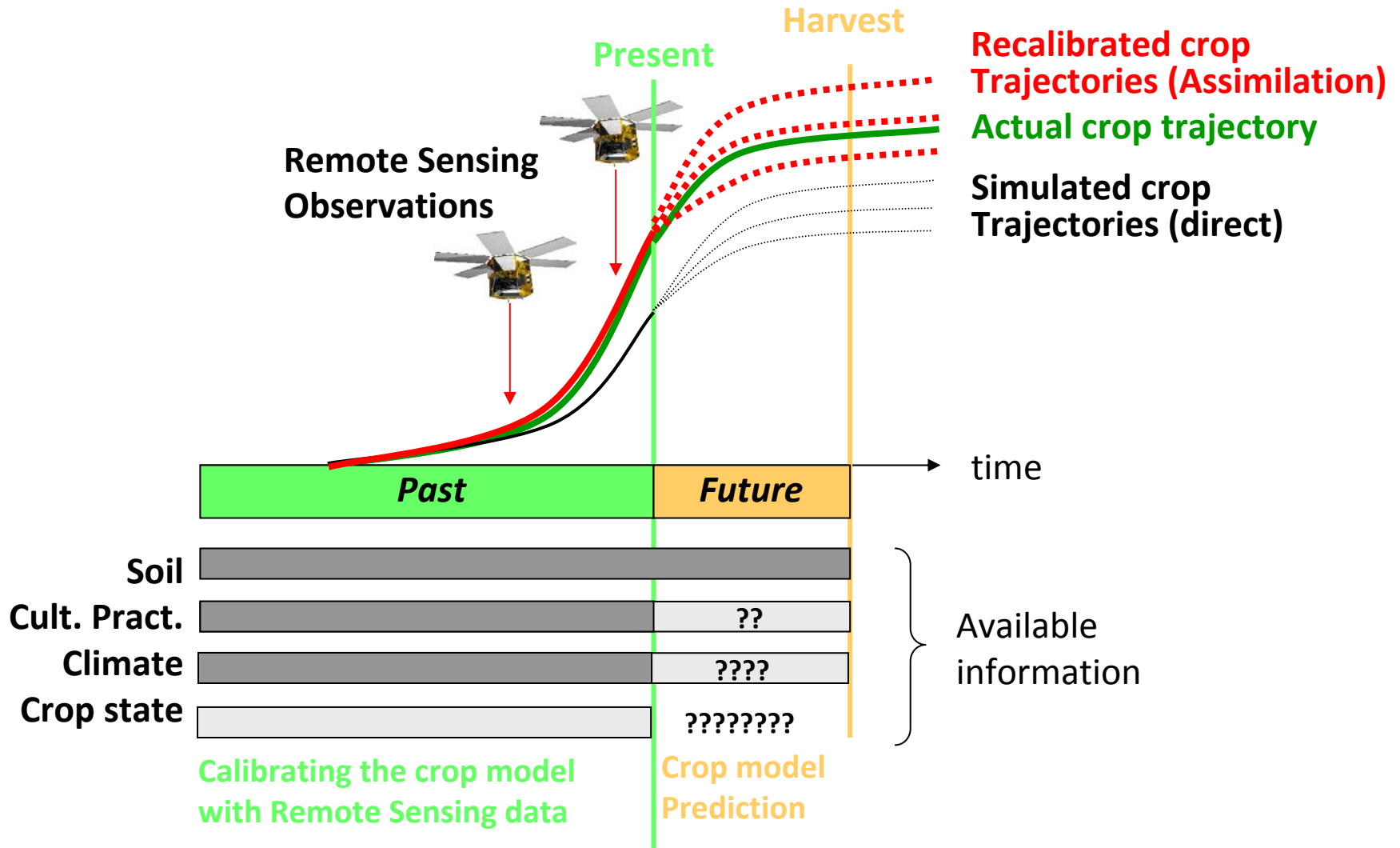
# From Inversion ... to Assimilation



# The STICS model

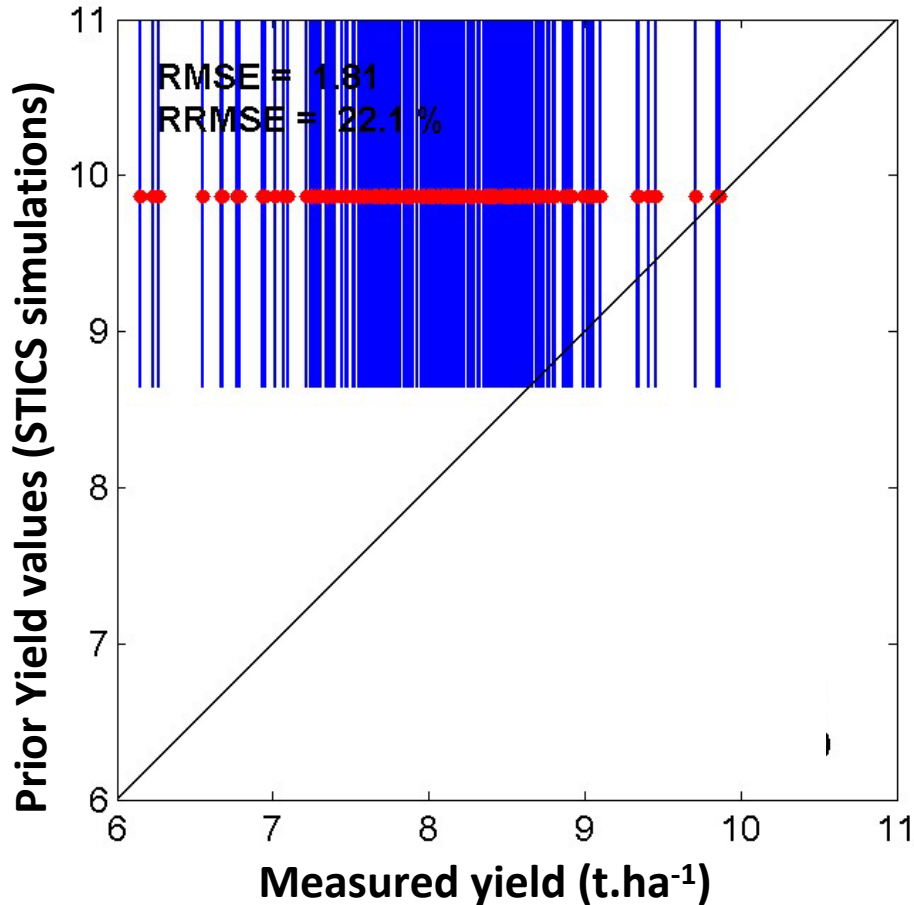


# The approach

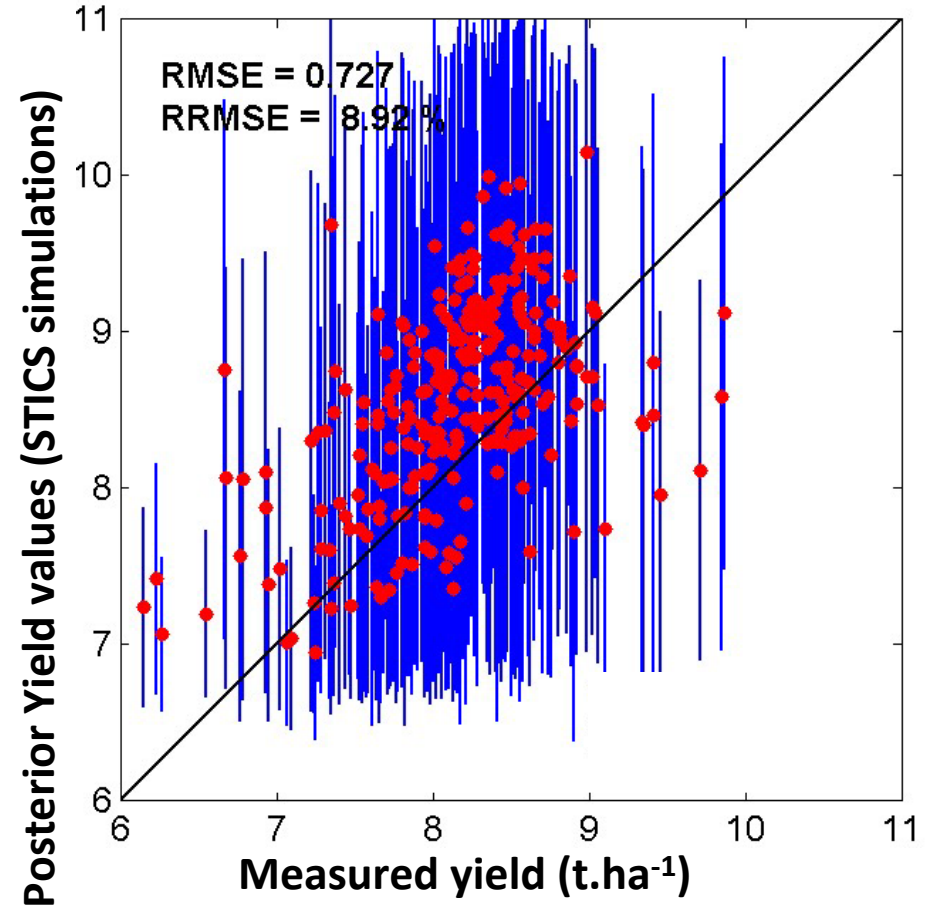


# Results Yield

## Before assimilation



## After assimilation

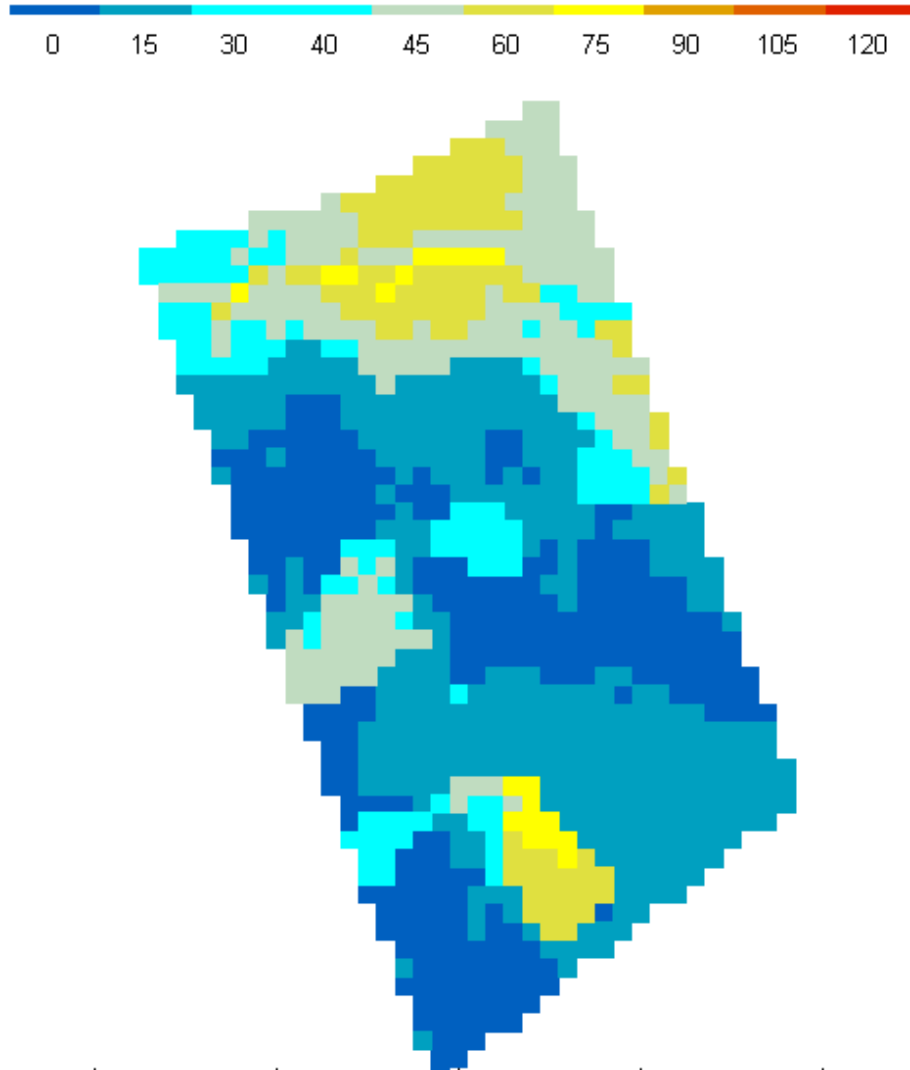


Reduction of biases



Description of the within-field variability

# Results: Nitrogen amount map for the third application





# Experiments

## Vectors



## Sensors

Radiometric measurements  
Sun Photometer measurements  
micrométéorology  
Biological measurements  
Moisture measurements

...

