# Hydrological Measurements

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6. Modelling Evaporation







## **Modelling Evaporation**



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## **ET for hydrological studies**



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## "actual" ET is unpredictable

EB can 'see' impacts on ET caused by:

- water shortage
- disease
- crop variety
- planting density
- cropping dates
- salinity
- management

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## **ET for environmental studies**

#### Annual evap Year 2000





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## For solving international conflicts





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## For verification of water use



#### Avg ETa per plot mm 501 - 750 751 - 900 901 - 1,050





# ET is calculated as a "residual" of the energy balance



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## **Temperature is a function of ET**



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# **Surface temperature is a reflection of soil moisture**



## Latent heat of vaporization

#### TABLE 1

Conversion factors for evapotranspiration

	depth	volume per u	nit area	energy per unit area ُ
	mm day <sup>.1</sup>	m³ ha⁻¹ day⁻¹	I s <sup>-1</sup> ha <sup>-1</sup>	MJ m <sup>-2</sup> day <sup>-1</sup>
1 mm day <sup>-1</sup>	1	10	0.116	2.45
1 m³ ha⁻¹ day⁻¹	0.1	1	0.012	0.245
1 l s <sup>-1</sup> ha <sup>-1</sup>	8.640	86.40	1	21.17
1 MJ m <sup>-2</sup> day <sup>-1</sup>	0.408	4.082	0.047	1

<sup>\*</sup> For water with a density of 1 000 kg m<sup>-3</sup> and at 20°C.

#### EXAMPLE 1 Converting evaporation from one unit to another

On a summer day, net solar energy received at a lake reaches 15 MJ per square metre per day. If 80% of the energy is used to vaporize water, how large could the depth of evaporation be?

From Table 1:	1 MJ m <sup>-2</sup> day <sup>-1</sup> =	0.408	mm day <sup>-1</sup>				
Therefore:	$0.8 \times 15 \text{ MJ m}^{-2} \text{ day}^{-1} = 0.8 \times 15 \times 0.408 \text{ mm d}^{-1} =$	4.9	mm day <sup>-1</sup>				
The evaporation rate could	d be 4.9 mm/dav						



## **Daily energy balance**

FIGURE 5

Schematic presentation of the diurnal variation of the components of the energy balance above a well-watered transpiring surface on a cloudless day



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#### Global Energy Flows W m<sup>-2</sup>



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# Planck equation, details

Planck's equation (the spectral curves shown)

$$L_{\lambda} = \frac{2hc^2}{\lambda^5 (e^x - 1)}$$
, where  $x = \frac{hc}{k\lambda T}$ 

Stefan-Boltzmann equation

$$E = \pi \int_{\alpha}^{\infty} L_{\lambda} d\lambda = \sigma T^4$$

Wien's displacement equation

$$\lambda_{\max}(\mu m) = \frac{2897}{T}$$

- c speed of light
- *h* Planck's constant
- *k* Boltzmann's constant
- $\sigma$  Stefan-Boltzmann constant 5.67×10<sup>-8</sup>Wm<sup>-2</sup>K<sup>-4</sup>
- $L_{\lambda}$  Spectral radiance

 $3.00 \times 10^{8} \text{ ms}^{-1}$   $6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{Js}$   $1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{JK}^{-1}$   $5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{Wm}^{-2} \text{K}$  $\text{Wm}^{-2} \text{m}^{-1} \text{sr}^{-1}$ 

## **Surface Radiation Balance**



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## Net longwave radiation (1)

$$R_{nl} = \sigma \left[ \frac{T_{max,K}^{4} + T_{min,K}^{4}}{2} \right] \left( 0.34 - 0.14 \sqrt{e_a} \right) \left( 1.35 \frac{R_s}{R_{so}} - 0.35 \right)$$
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where 
$$R_{nl}$$
 net outgoing longwave radiation [MJ m<sup>-2</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>],  
 $\sigma$  Stefan-Boltzmann constant [ 4.903 10<sup>-9</sup> MJ K<sup>-4</sup> m<sup>-2</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>],  
 $T_{max,K}$  maximum absolute temperature during the 24-hour period [K = °C + 273.16],  
 $T_{min,K}$  minimum absolute temperature during the 24-hour period [K = °C + 273.16],  
 $e_a$  actual vapour pressure [kPa],  
 $R_s/R_{so}$  relative shortwave radiation (limited to  $\leq$  1.0),  
 $R_s$  measured or calculated (Equation 35) solar radiation [MJ m<sup>-2</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>],  
 $R_{so}$  calculated (Equation 36 or 37) clear-sky radiation [MJ m<sup>-2</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>].



## **Net longwave radiation (2)**

#### **EXAMPLE 11** Determination of net longwave radiation

In Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) at a latitude of 22°54'S (= -22.70°), 220 hours of bright sunshine, a mean monthly daily maximum and minimum air temperature of 25.1 and 19.1°C and a vapour pressure of 2.1 kPa were recorded in May. Determine the net longwave radiation.

From Example 10:	R <sub>s</sub> =	14.5	MJ m <sup>-2</sup> day <sup>-1</sup>			
From Eq. 36:	R <sub>SO</sub> = 0.75 R <sub>a</sub> = 0.75 . 25.1 =	18.8	MJ m <sup>-2</sup> day <sup>-1</sup>			
From Table 2.8 or for:	σ =	4.903 10 <sup>-9</sup>	MJ K <sup>-4</sup> m <sup>-2</sup> day <sup>-1</sup>			
Then:	$T_{max} = 25.1^{\circ}C =$	298.3	K			
and:	$\sigma T_{max K4} =$	38.8	MJ m⁻² day⁻¹			
and:	T <sub>min</sub> = 19.1°C =	292.3	К			
and:	$\sigma T_{min K} 4 = 35.8 \text{ MJ m}^2 \text{ day}^1$	35.8	MJ m <sup>-2</sup> day <sup>-1</sup>			
and:	e <sub>a</sub> =	2.1	kPa			
and:	0.34 - 0.14 √e <sub>a =</sub>	0.14	-			
and:	R <sub>s</sub> /R <sub>so</sub> = (14.5)/(18.8)	0.77	-			
-	1.35(0.77)-0.35 =	0.69	-			
From Eq. 39:	R <sub>nl</sub> = [(38.7 + 35.7)/2] (0.14) (0.69) =	3.5	MJ m <sup>-2</sup> day <sup>-1</sup>			
From Eq. 20:	expressed as equivalent evaporation =					
	0.408 (3.5) =	1.4	mm/day			
The net longwave radiation is $3.5 \mathrm{M}\mathrm{m}^{-2}\mathrm{dav}^{-1}$						

The net longwave radiation is 5.5 MJ m uay

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## **Logarithmic wind profile**





## **Effect of buoyancy on turbulent transport**





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## **Vertical wind profile – neutral conditions**





## **Vertical wind profile – non neutral conditions**



$$L = \frac{-\rho_a \cdot c_p \cdot T \cdot u_*^3}{k \cdot g \cdot H}$$

### Monin Obukhov Length

$$\psi_{m}\left(\frac{z}{L}\right) = \begin{cases} L < 0: 2 \cdot \ln\left(\frac{1+x}{2}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{1+x^{2}}{2}\right) - 2 \cdot \arctan\left(x\right) + \frac{\pi}{2} \\ L = 0: 0 \\ L > 0: -5 \cdot \frac{z}{L} \end{cases} \qquad \qquad x = 4\sqrt{1 - 16 \cdot \frac{z}{L}} \end{cases}$$

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#### Flux – profile relationships for momentum, heat and vapor



#### Wind and temperature vertical profiles

$$u_{z2} = u_{z1} + \frac{u_*}{k} \left\{ \ln\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right) - \psi_m\left(\frac{z_1}{L}\right) + \psi_m\left(\frac{z_2}{L}\right) \right\}$$

$$T_{z2} = T_{z1} + \frac{T_*}{k} \left\{ \ln\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right) - \psi_h\left(\frac{z_1}{L}\right) + \psi_h\left(\frac{z_2}{L}\right) \right\}$$

$$\psi_{h}\left(\frac{z}{L}\right) = \begin{cases} L < 0: 2 \cdot \ln\left(\frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{4} - 4 \cdot \frac{z}{L}}\right) \\ L = 0: 0 \\ L > 0: -5 \cdot \frac{z}{L} \end{cases}$$
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#### Heat flux and scalars



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## Sensible Heat Flux (H) written as Ohm's law

$$H = (\rho \times c_p \times dT) / r_{ah}$$

dT = the near surface temperature difference (K).

 $r_{ah}$  = the aerodynamic resistance to heat transport (s/m).



U\* =friction velocity [m/s]



### **Stability correction for buoyancy**



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## **Transfer equation sensible heat**

# $H = -\rho c_p u_* T_* = \rho c_p C_h U(T_0 - T_a) = \rho c_p [(T_0 - T_a)/r_{ah}],$

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## Soil heat flux



## **Transpiration process**



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## **Soil evaporation process**



## **Transfer equation for latent heat**

$$LE = \lambda \rho_{air} C_E u (q_{satTs} - q_a),$$

where

- $\rho_{air}$  is the density of moist air, kg/m<sup>3</sup>,
  - $C_E$  is a bulk transfer coefficient for water vapor, dimensionless,

u is wind speed, in m/s,

- *q<sub>satTs</sub>* is saturated specific humidity at surface temperature, in kg/kg,
  - q<sub>a</sub> is specific humidity at observation height, kg/kg.

# Slope of the saturated vapor pressure curve

 $E_{sat} (T_0) = e_{sat}(T_a) + SLOPE (T_0 - T_a)$ 



## **Penman – Monteith equation**

Bio-physical parameters (besides weather parameters)

- Albedo
- Emissivity
- G/R<sub>n</sub>
- Surface roughness, r<sub>a</sub>
- Stomatal resistance, rs
- LAI, r<sub>s</sub>

## Jarvis – Stewart model

Canopy resistance model:

 $r_{c} = r_{smin} / LAI \{\phi_{par} \phi_{temp} \phi_{vpd} \phi_{mois}\}$ 

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## Soil moisture and surface resistance



## **Reference ET**



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## **Penman-Monteith for ET<sub>ref</sub> (ET<sub>0</sub>)**



The Penman-Monteith form of the combination equation is:

$$\lambda ET = \frac{\Delta(R_n - G) + \rho_a c_p \frac{(e_s - e_a)}{r_a}}{\Delta + \gamma \left(1 + \frac{r_s}{r_a}\right)}$$
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## **Aerodynamic resistance**

#### BOX 4

#### The aerodynamic resistance for a grass reference surface

For a wide range of crops the zero plane displacement height, d [m], and the roughness length governing momentum transfer,  $z_{om}$  [m], can be estimated from the crop height h [m] by the following equations:

$$d = 2/3 h$$
  
 $z_{om} = 0.123 h$ 

The roughness length governing transfer of heat and vapour,  $z_{oh}$  [m], can be approximated by:

Assuming a constant crop height of 0.12 m and a standardized height for wind speed, temperature and humidity at 2 m ( $z_m = z_h = 2$  m), the aerodynamic resistance  $r_a$  [s m<sup>-1</sup>] for the grass reference surface becomes (Eq. 4):

$$r_{a} = \frac{\ln\left[\frac{2-2/3(0.12)}{0.123(0.12)}\right]\ln\left[\frac{2-2/3(0.12)}{(0.1)0.123(0.12)}\right]}{(0.41)^{2}u_{2}} = \frac{208}{u_{2}}$$

where  $u_2$  is the wind speed [m s<sup>-1</sup>] at 2 m.



## **Potential ET for correction of grass**





## **Crop coefficient**

#### FIGURE 22

The effect of evaporation on  $K_c$ . The horizontal line represents  $K_c$  when the soil surface is kept continuously wet. The curved line corresponds to  $K_c$  when the soil surface is kept dry but the crop receives sufficient water to sustain full transpiration



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