Simulating canopy-level solar induced fluorescence with CLM-SIF 4.5 at a sub-alpine conifer forest in the Colorado Rockies



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Solar Induced Fluorescence (SIF) is a robust indicator of GPP

Crops, grass, deciduous forest sites



Evergreen needleleaf, Niwot Ridge, CO



'Greenness' indices: NDVI (R²=0.46) EVI (R²=0.41)

SIF (GOME-2) is a better indicator of GPP than reflectance or greenness indices at Niwot Ridge

Constrain simulated GPP with remotely-sensed SIF



<u>Overall Goal</u>: Simulate canopy fluorescence across the Western US, and use SIF satellite observations (e.g. OCO-2; GOME-2) to help constrain GPP (carbon exchange)

Immediate Objective: Implement a fluorescence sub-model within the Community Land Model (CLM-SIF 4.5) and simulate canopy fluorescence at Niwot Ridge.

> Can CLM simulate seasonal changes in SIF as measured by a tower-mounted scanning spectrometer (PhotoSpec)?









Observations of Fluorescence

PhotoSpec: Tower-mounted scanning spectrometer

 Tower-based canopy fluorescence is filtered average of PhotoSpec
'target' and 'elevation' scans (preliminary)



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Model Representation of Fluorescence



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SIF model simulations underestimate satellite fluorescence at Niwot Ridge in summer, overestimate in winter

Canopy SIF (740 nm) 1999-2013 average

Canopy SIF (740 nm), all years





**SCOPE simulation for year 2010 only

CLM/satellite mismatch is similar across years

SIF model simulations are consistent with PhotoSpec



Canopy SIF (745-758 nm)

**CLM/SCOPE: Year 2010; PhotoSpec: Year 2017



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Conclusions

 Seasonal simulations of SIF at Niwot Ridge are more similar to the PhotoSpec, than the satellite SIF products.

The models (with non-site specific SIF parameterization) work well so far, but the fit may be gratuitous:

- Need better calibration of APAR, and implementation of k_N (season). This will change the seasonal SIF.
- Need to evaluate the observed GPP-SIF relationship against the modeled GPP-SIF at Niwot Ridge to validate model performance.







Longer Term Goals

 Add explicit representation of fluorescence radiative transfer within CLM.



 Add prognostic representation of NPQ rate constant



prognostic k_N

Environmental drivers k_N (eg. *temp, daylength*)



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