# Land surface modeling in Biosphere 2 Tropical Rainforest biome

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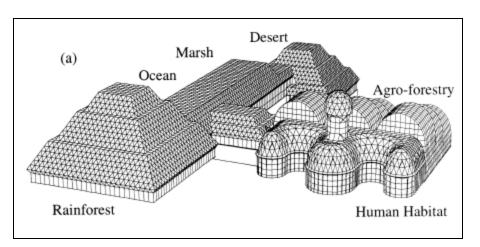
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## Objectives

 (1) to provide a high-quality database of the atmospheric forcing variables needed for land surface modeling inside B2-TRF

(2) to investigate whether SiB3 is capable of representing the vegetation response in the B2-TRF controlled environment.

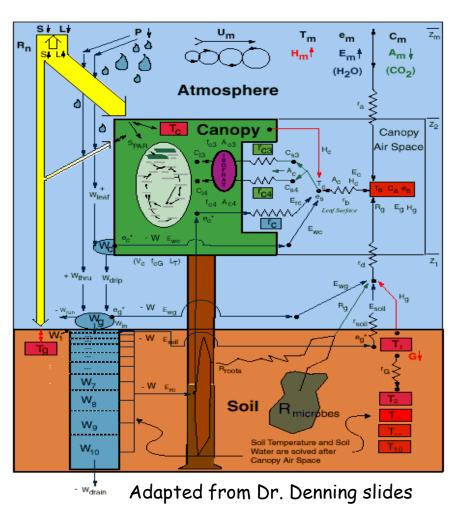




### Simple Biosphere 3

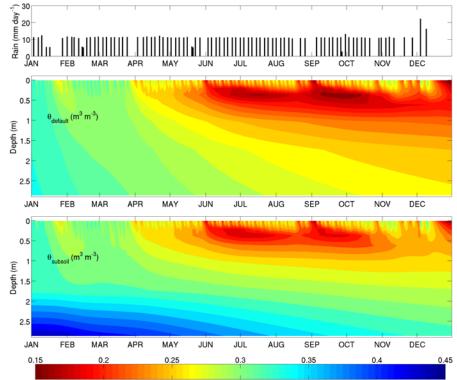
## Original code provided by Ian T. Baker (CSU)

References: Baker et al. (2003, 2008)



# Modifications due to physical characteristics of B2-TRF:

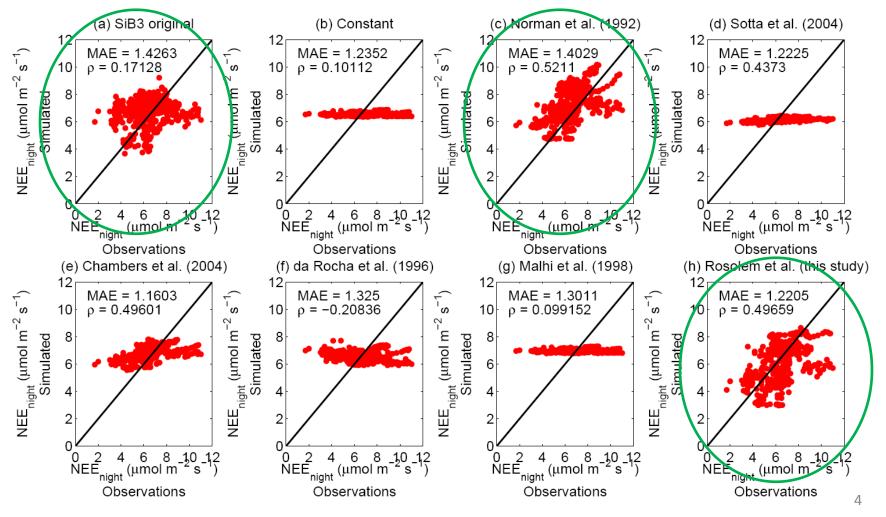
- Rooting profile based on direct measurements
- Bottom layer modified to produce subsoil drainage rates consistent to observations (soil moisture profile shown below)



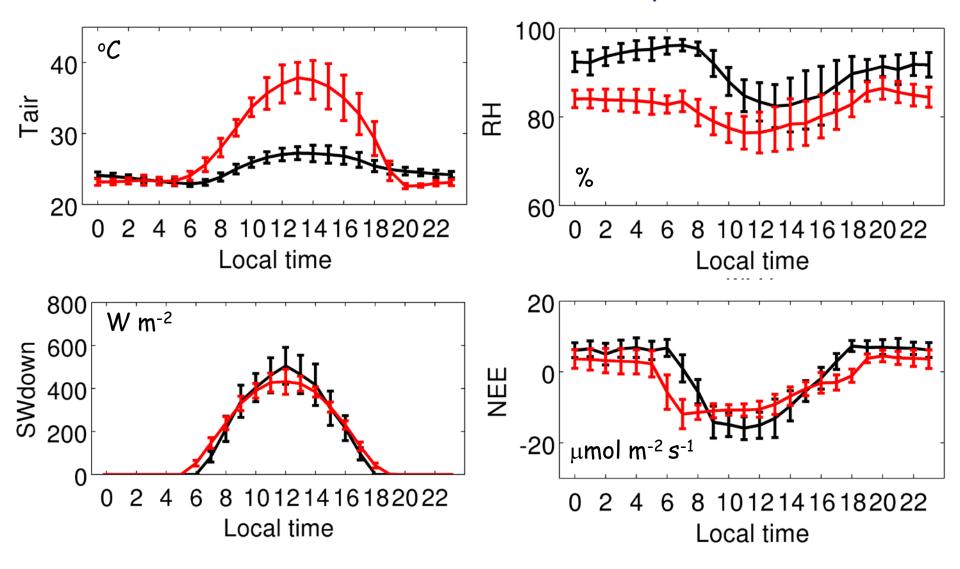
#### Soil Respiration Calibration

Multi-objective approach: 1,000 parameter sets (Latin Hypercube Sampling) Calibrated w.r.t. daily nighttime NEE (Mean Absolute Error and  $\rho$ )

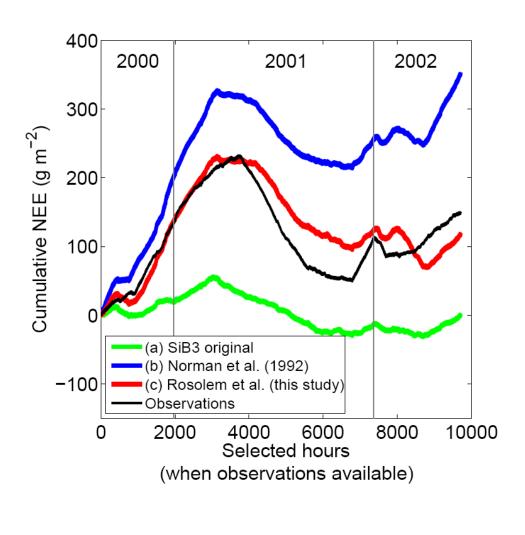
Soil respiration dominant component of NEE at night



#### B2 and Amazon (K67) environmental conditions Mean diurnal variation for May 2001



#### Thermal tolerance Calibration

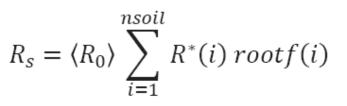


Multi-objective approach: 1,000 parameter sets (LHS)

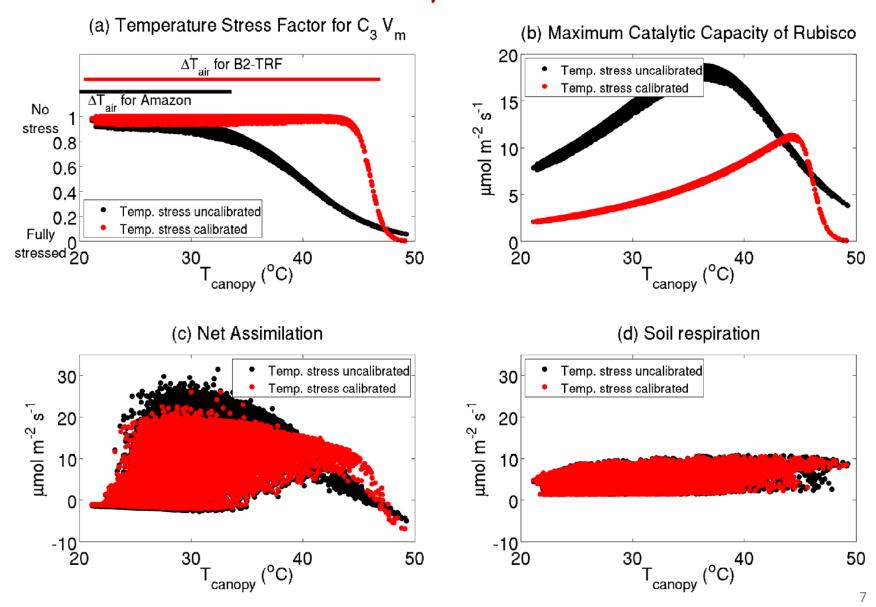
Calibrated w.r.t. hourly daytime NEE (MAE and  $\rho)$ 

Photosynthesis mainly affected by temperature stress function

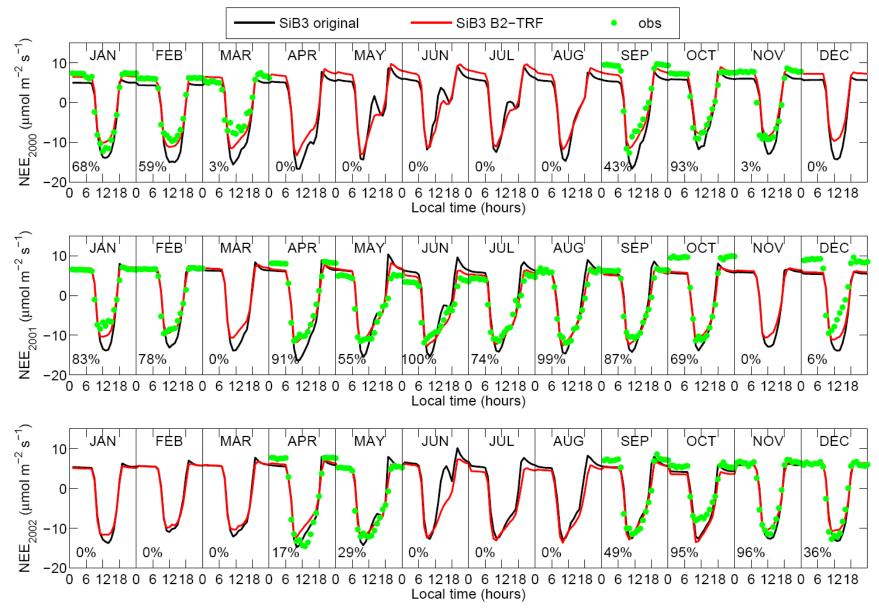
Photosynthesis dominant component of NEE during the day



#### Interpreting Thermal Tolerance Results for Tropical Ecosystems



## Mean diurnal variation (original versus modified SiB3)



## Conclusions

- New soil respiration formulation suggests superior model performance compared to all other tested parameterizations

-Tropical rainforest plant species may be more resilient to climate change than previously thought: Either (1) tropical rainforest species can function at higher temperatures than previously thought, or (2) plants in B2-TRF have adapted to continue functioning at higher temperatures  $\rightarrow$  and natural plant species could do also

- There may be some radiation limitation inside B2-TRF due to reduction of incoming radiation caused by structural characteristics in B2 (i.e., space-frame)

-Under a controlled ecosystem, we can obtain multiple information from the same variable  $\rightarrow$  this is important and desirable for multi-objective calibration/optimization

-B2-TRF can serve as a tested for land surface models to investigate model responses under different conditions not easily observed in natural ecosystems. Therefore, we invite other models to be tested with B2-TRF forcing data (e.g., CLM, Noah)

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