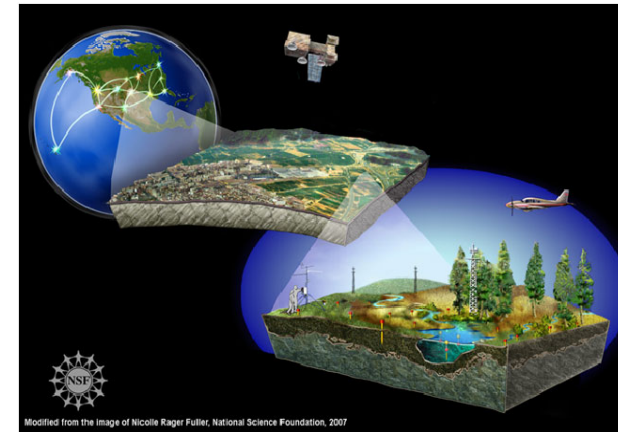


LINKING NEON DATA AND BIOGEOCHEMICAL MODELS

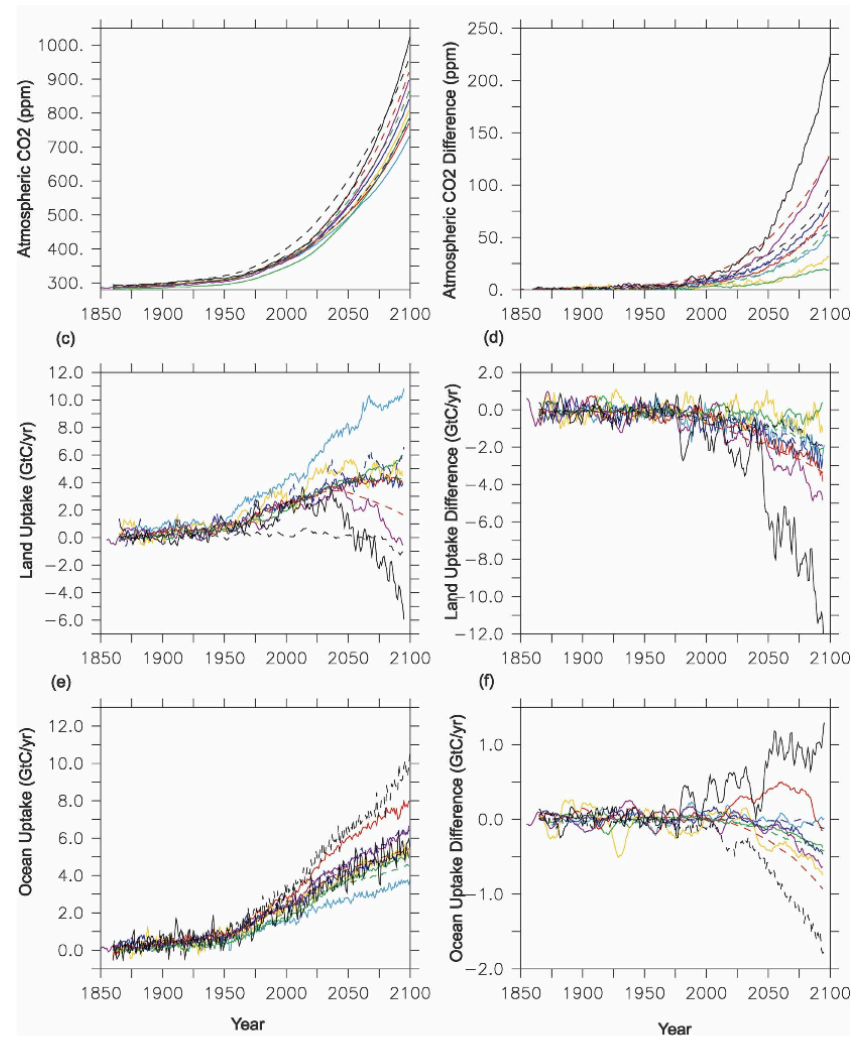
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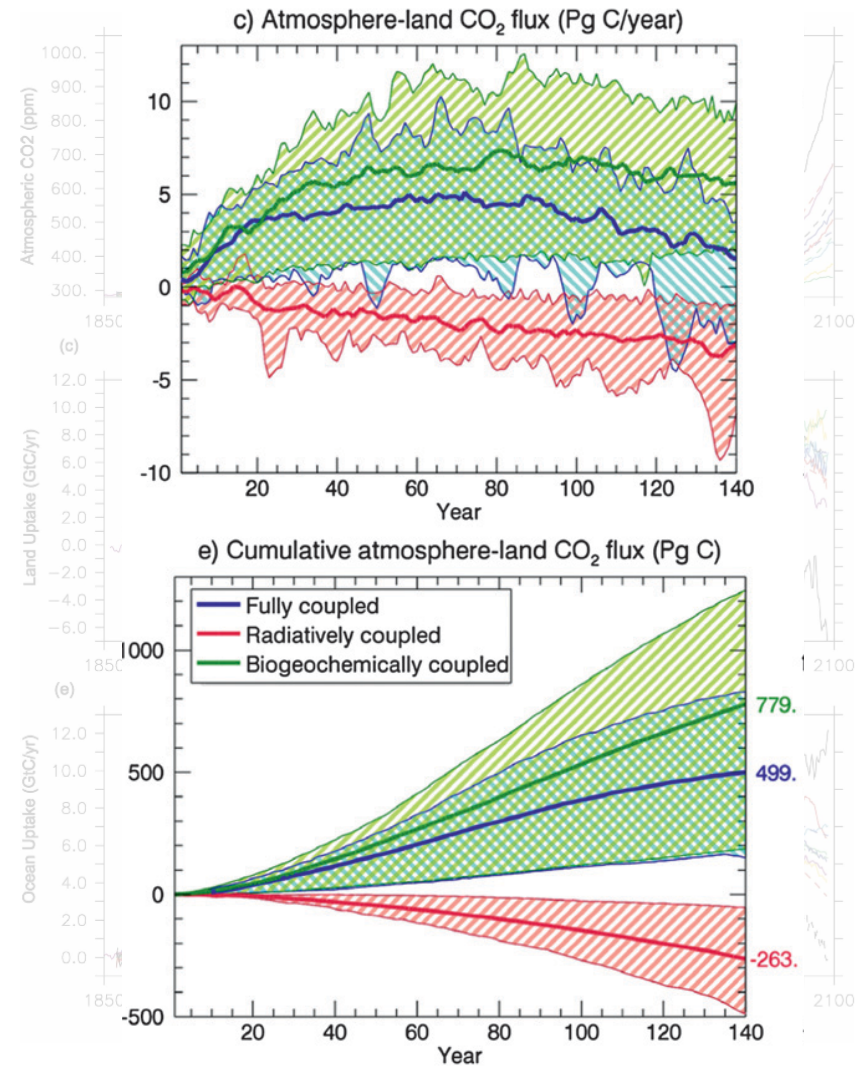
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Friedlingstein et al., 2006

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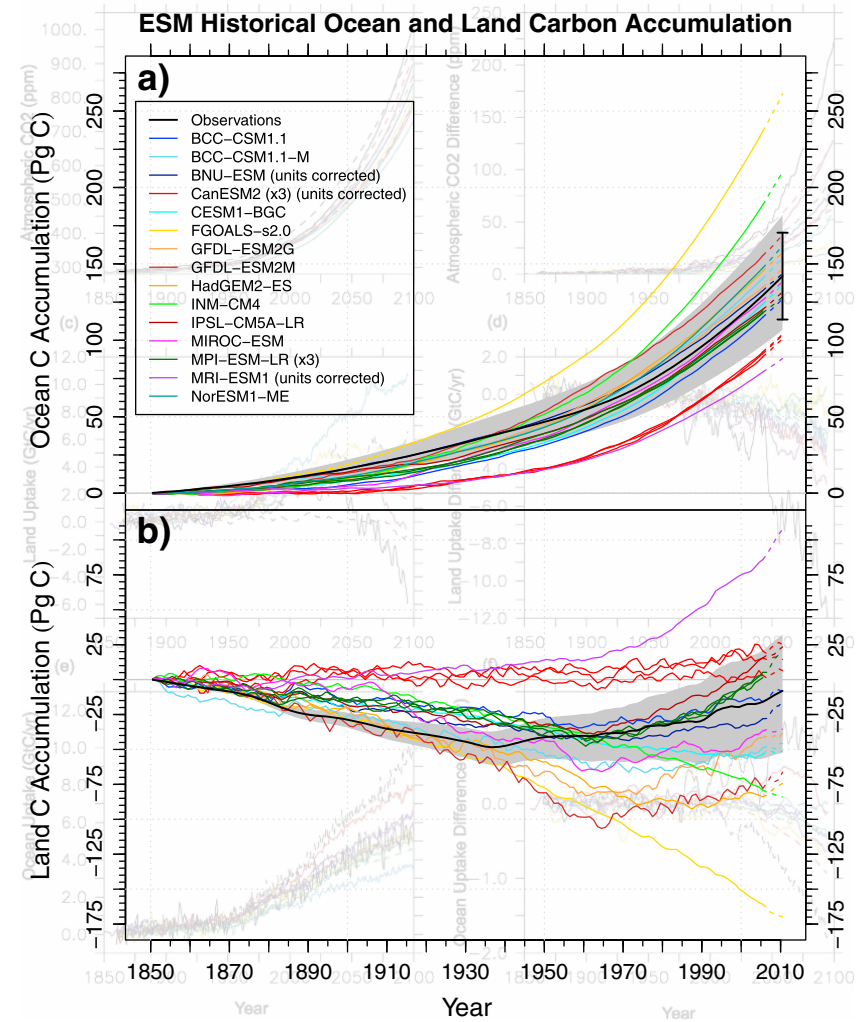
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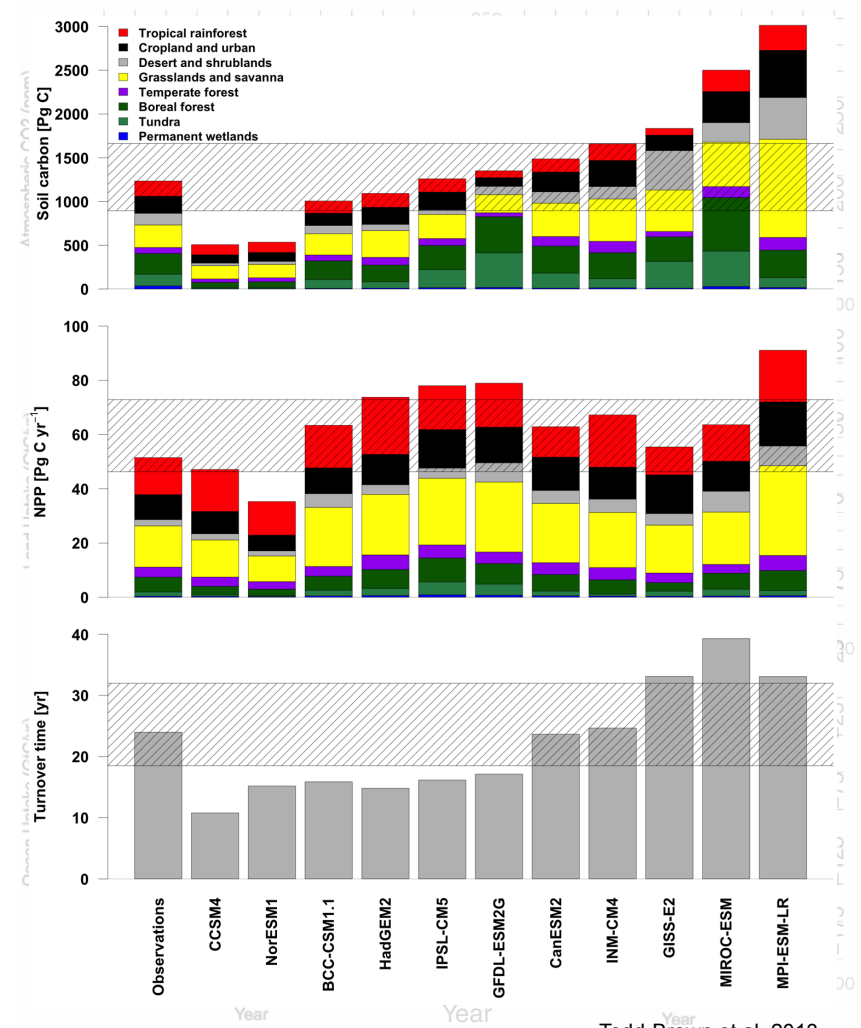
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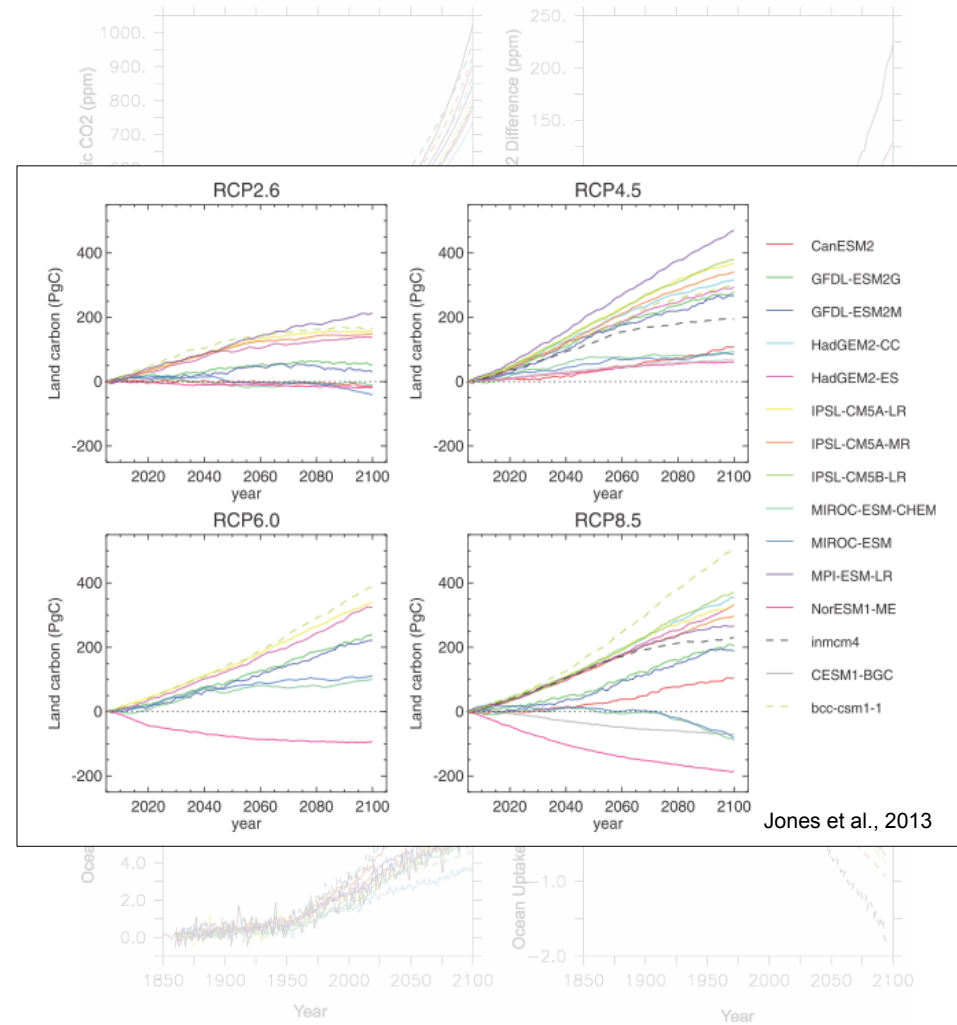
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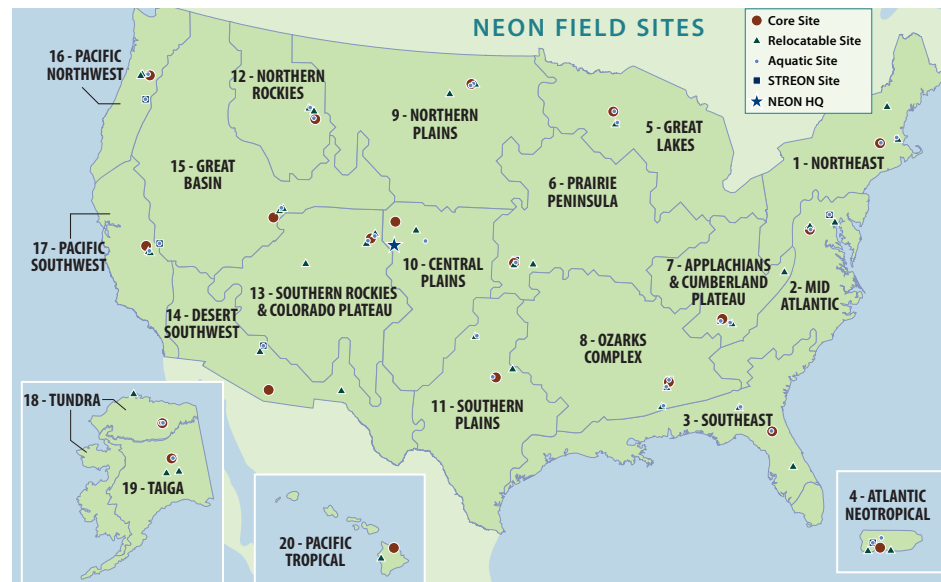
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- Need to find (new) ways to use (new) observations to:
 - Evaluate
 - Benchmark
 - Constrain
 - Assimilate



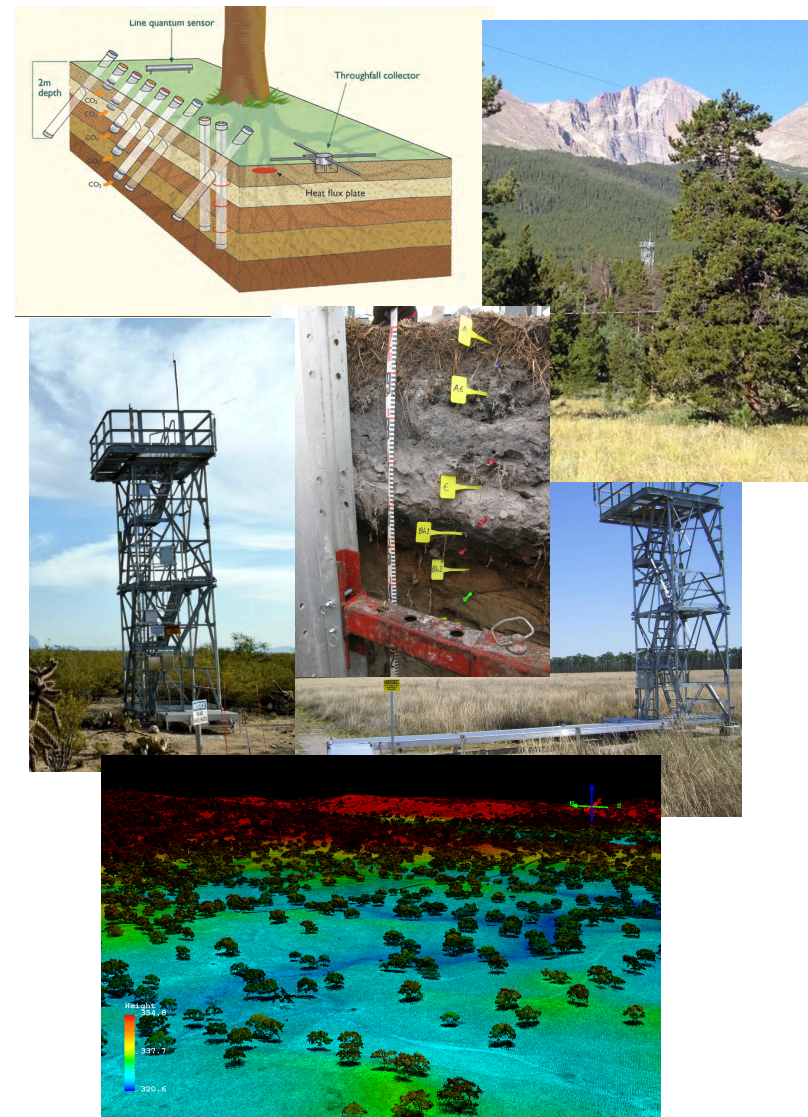
National Ecological Observatory Network

- Collect and openly distribute data on the drivers of and responses to ecological change
- Continental scope and 30-year time horizon
- Standardized methods of data collection, high investment in QA/QC, and calibration

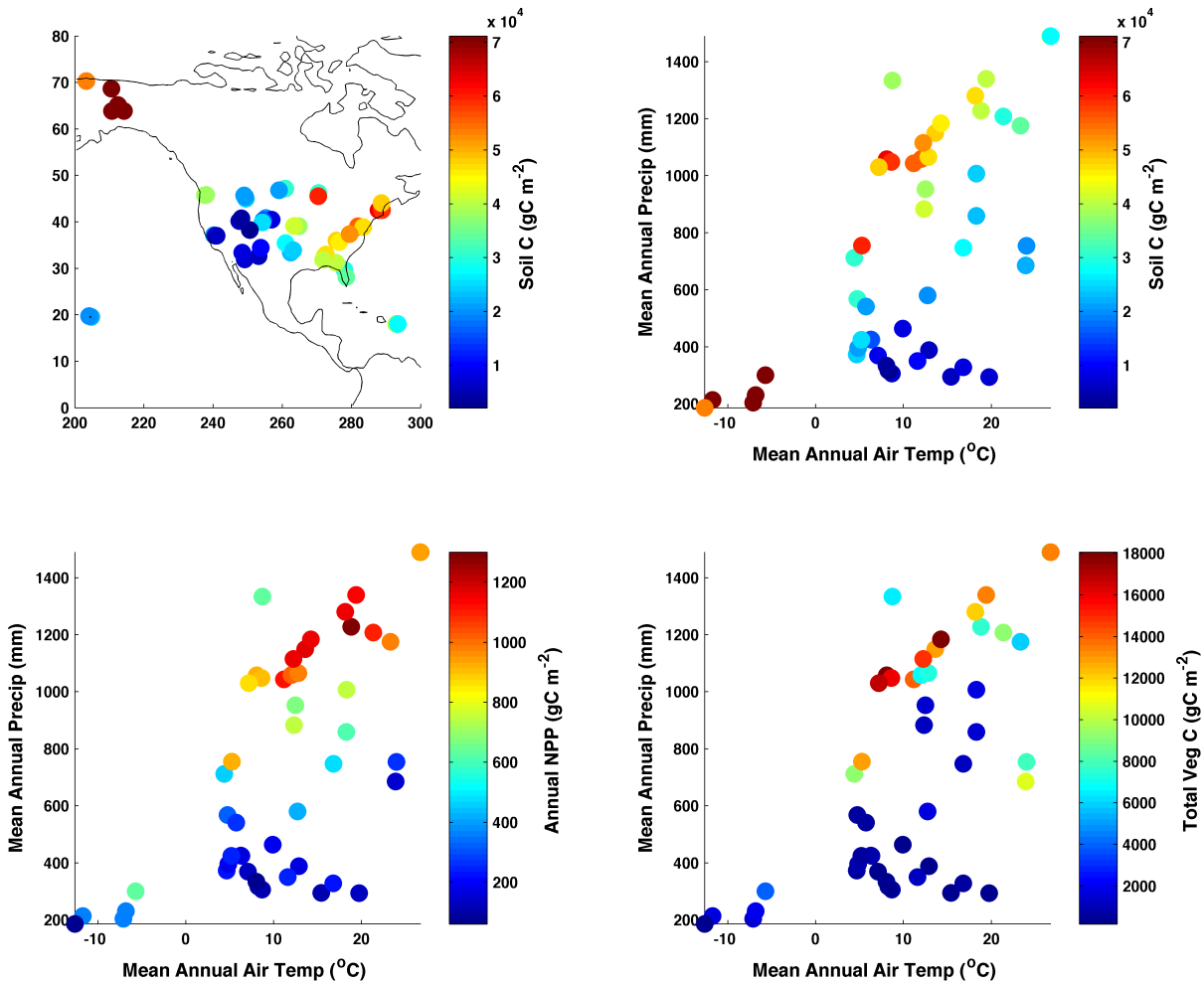


Biogeochemistry Observations

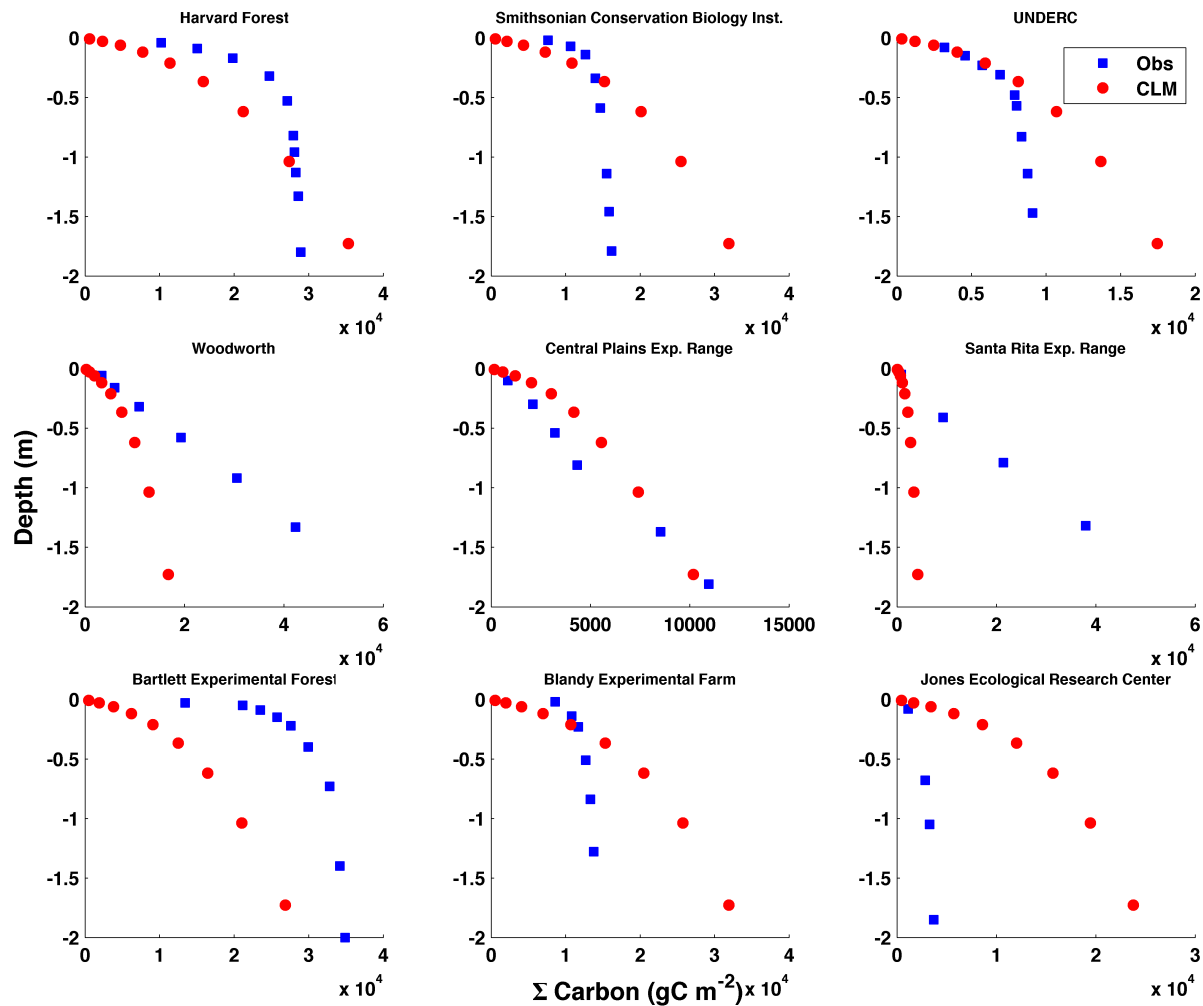
- Many relevant observations;
Some standard, some less common
 - Eddy covariance fluxes of energy, water and carbon
 - Profiles of soil temperature and moisture, and soil respiration
 - NPP, litterfall and fine root turnover from minirhizotrons
 - NO_y and Ozone deposition
 - Profiles of CO_2 and H_2O vapor isotopes
 - Soil microbial biomass, diversity & functional composition
 - Lidar and hyperspectral derived biomass, leaf area and canopy chemistry at $<1\text{m}$ resolution over 100s km^2



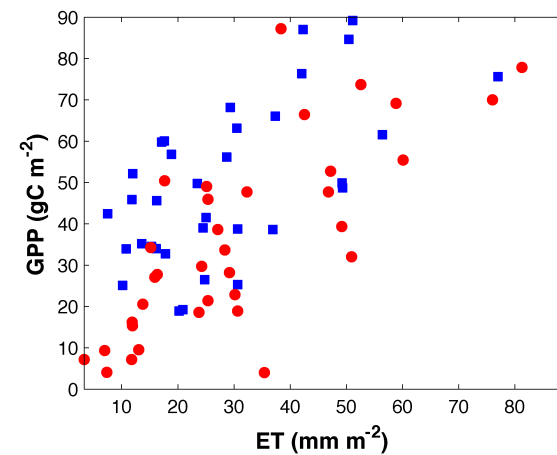
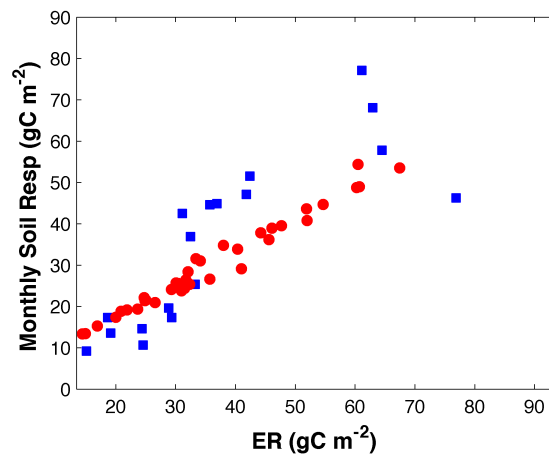
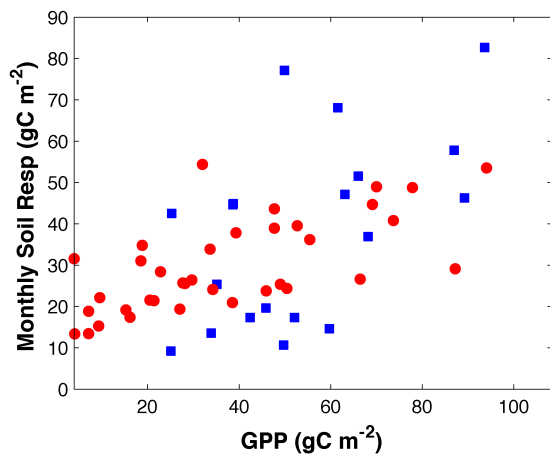
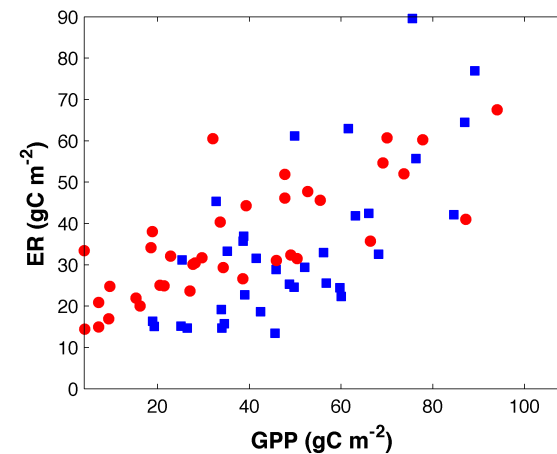
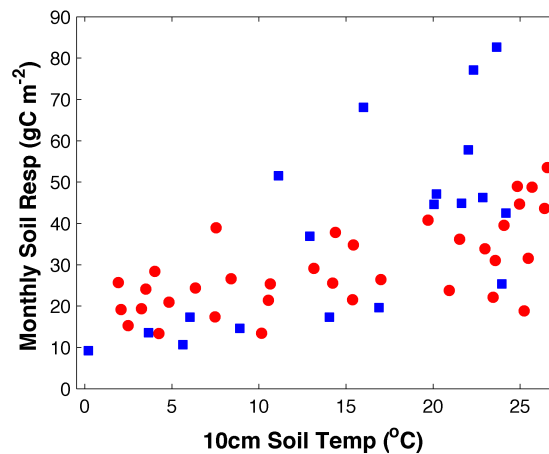
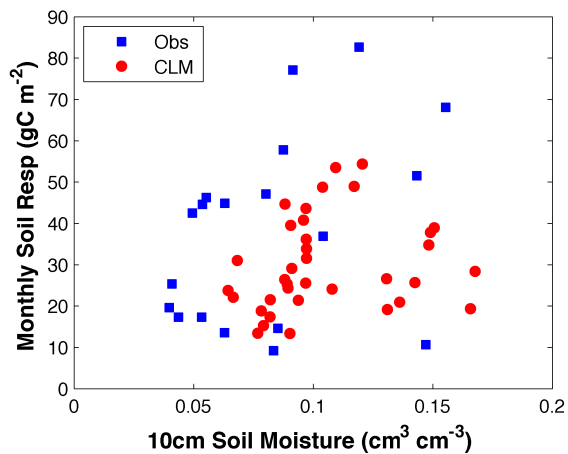
NEON in CLM-space



Direct comparison

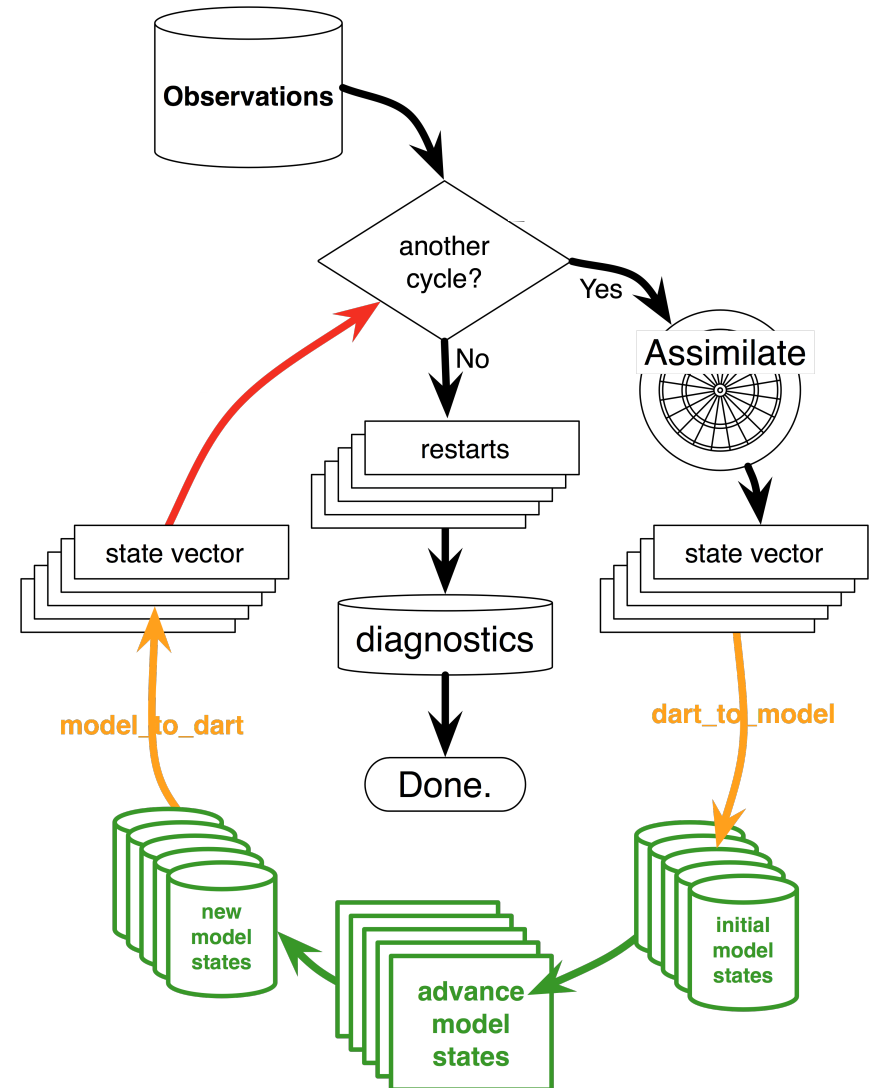
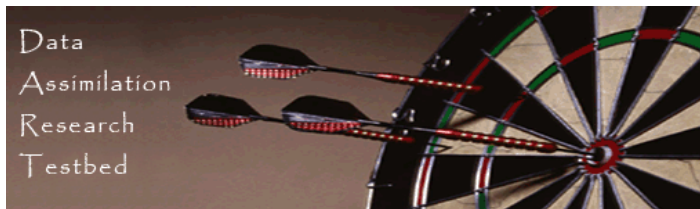


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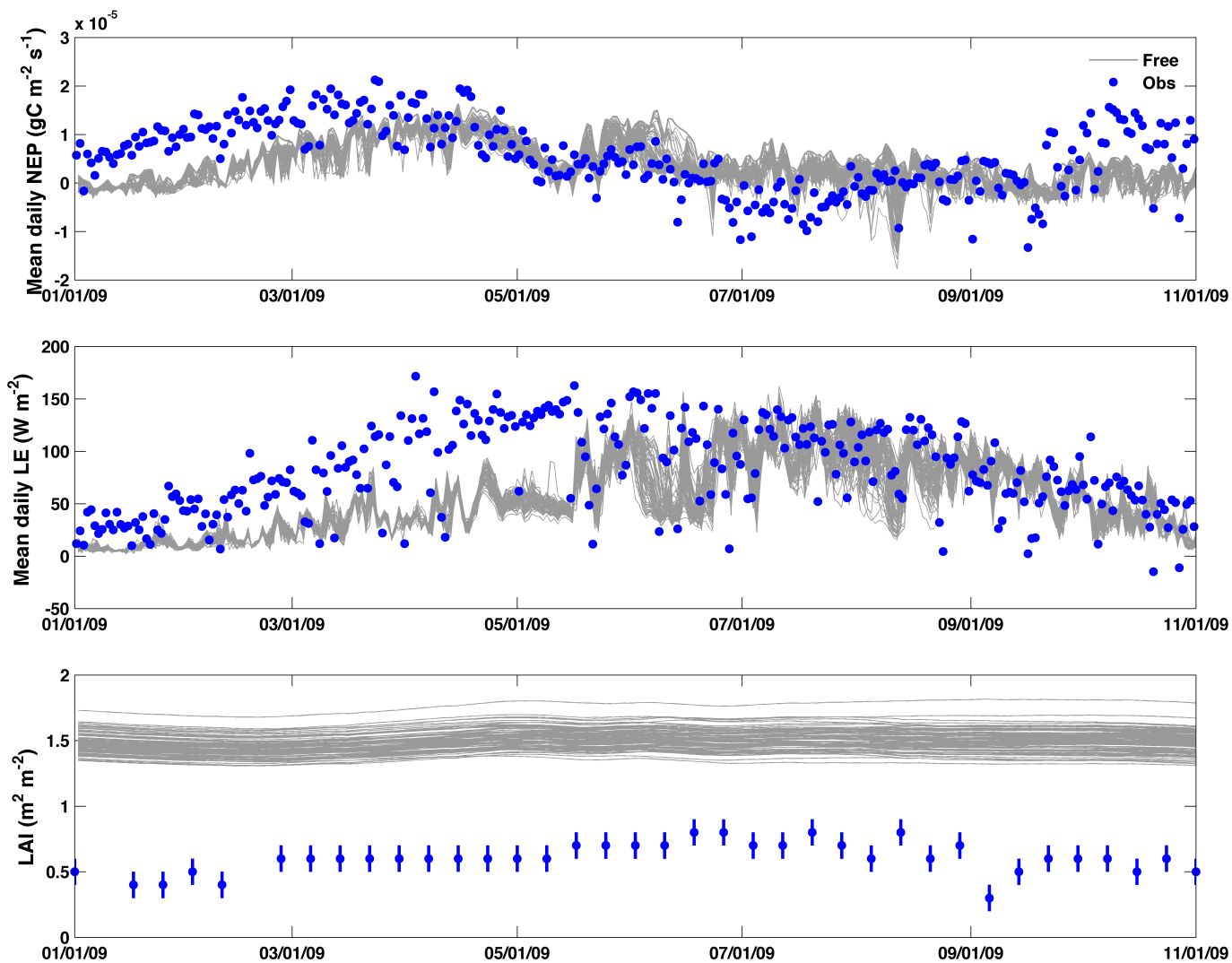


Data Assimilation Research Testbed (DART)

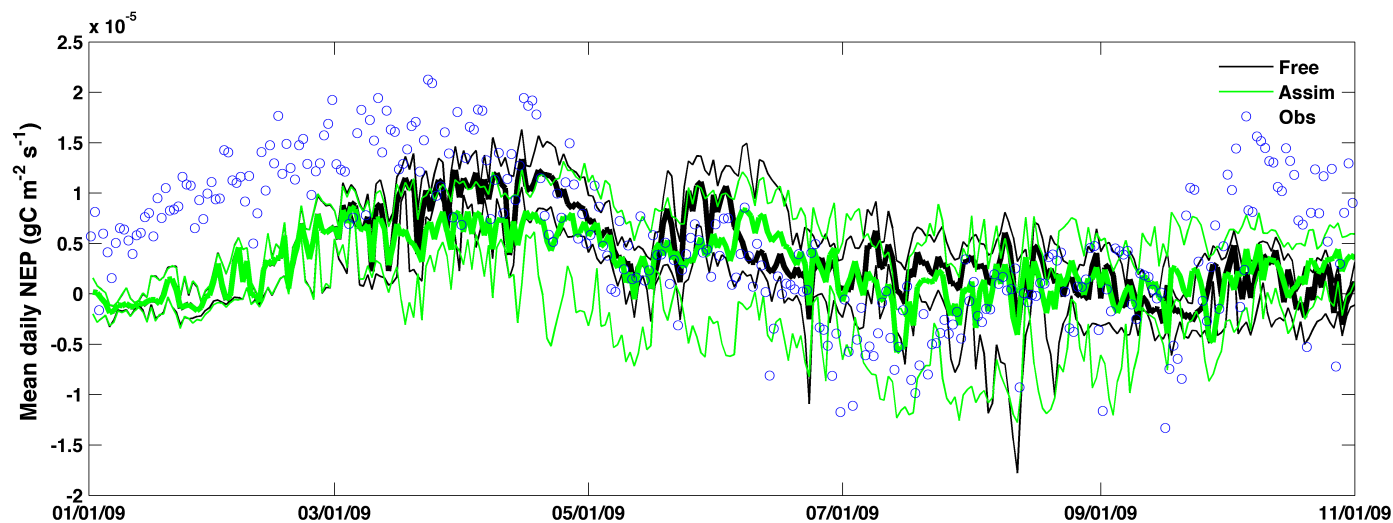
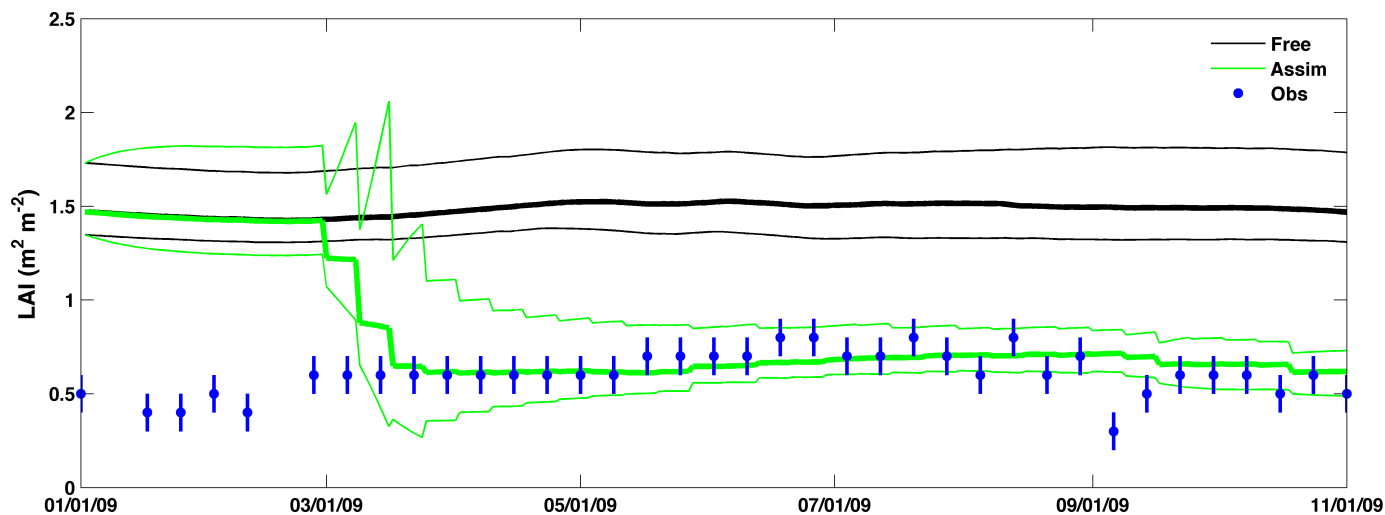
- DART is a community facility for ensemble DA
- Uses a variety of flavors of filters
 - Ensemble Adjustment Kalman Filter
- Many enhancements to basic filtering algorithms
 - Adaptive inflation
 - Localization
- Uses new multi-instance capability within CESM



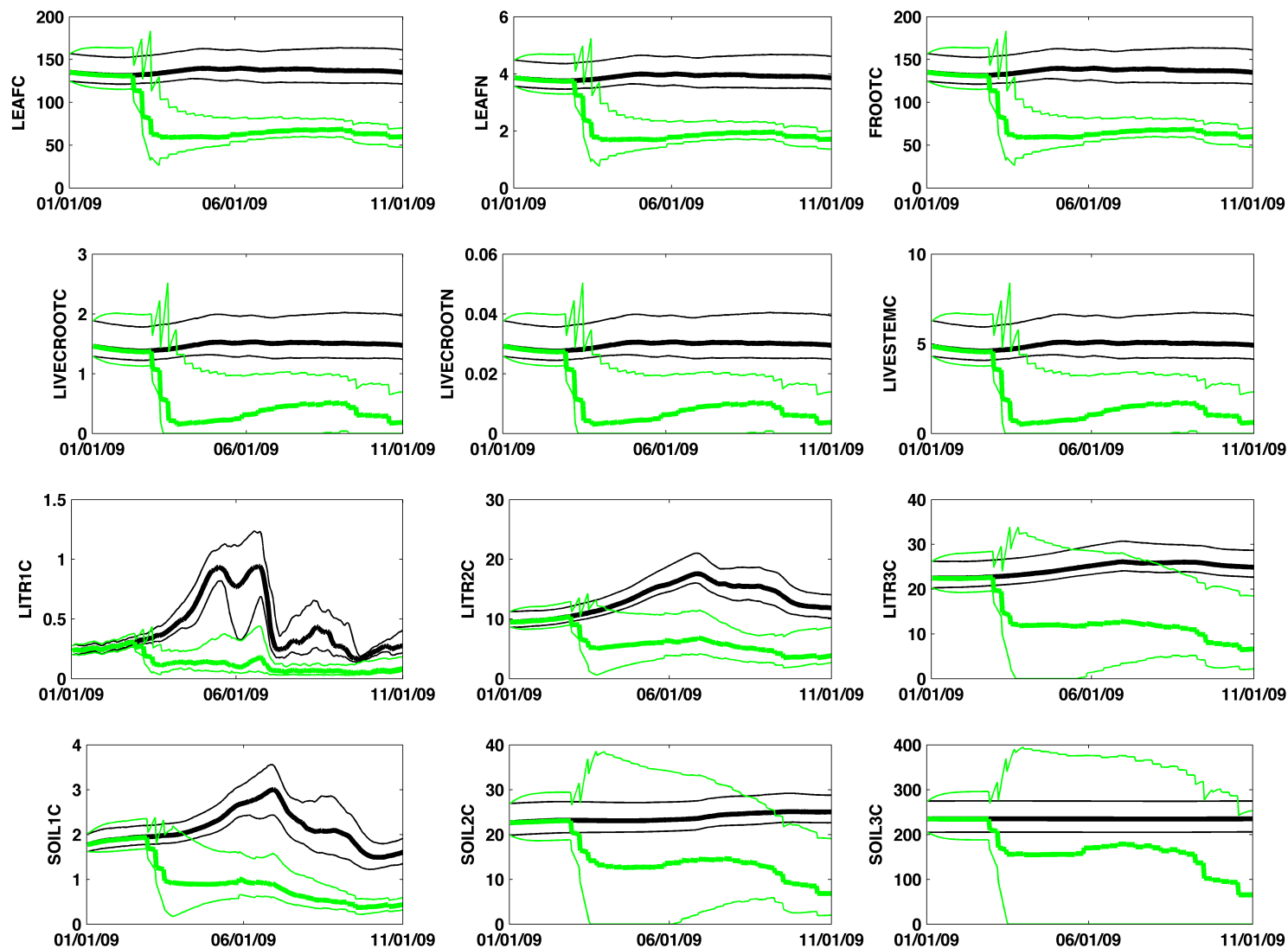
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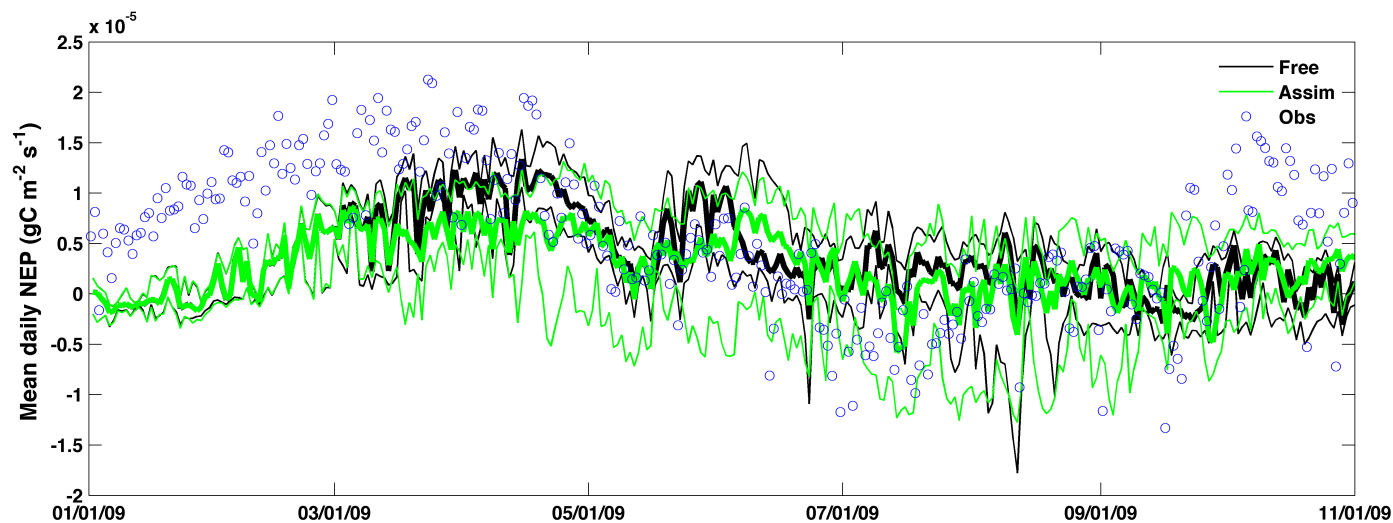
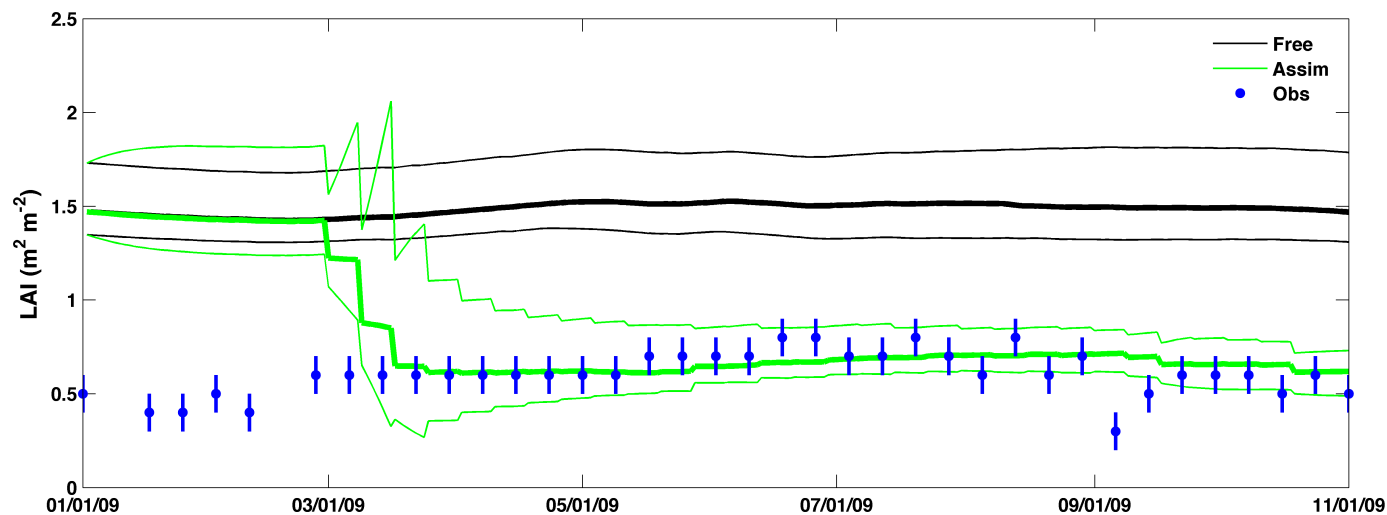
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Current Directions

- CLM-DART development
 - Investigating improved methodology for using flux tower observations in this framework
 - Adding plant functional types to observation meta-data
 - Adding additional, site specific observation types
- Upscaling NEON observations – PDF of fluxes and assessing representativeness error
- **Optimizing NEON data delivery for model evaluation – please let me know if you have ideas**