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### Land Surface Temperature from satellite data and distributed hydrological model to assess water resources availability in the upper Yangtze basin (ID 5281)

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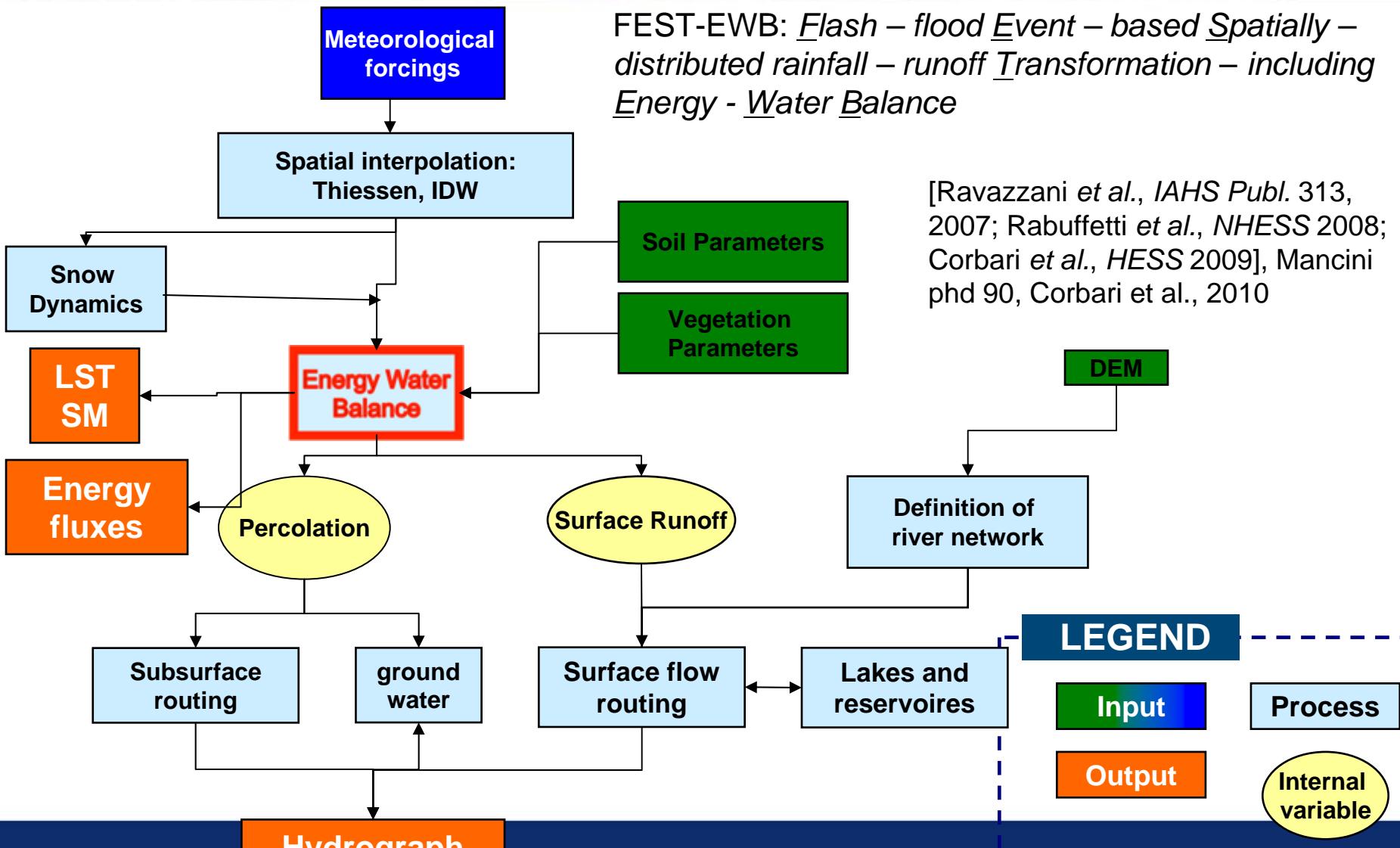
## **Objectives:**

1. Implementation of **hydrological water balance model** for water resources assessing
2. **Soil moisture monitoring** using remote sensing thermal and microwave data in comparison to hydrological model
3. **Wetlands dynamics** and biological ecological resources monitoring using remote sensing data (Lakes, middle Yangtze basin)
4. **Floods watch** with **remote sensing** and **hydrological model**"

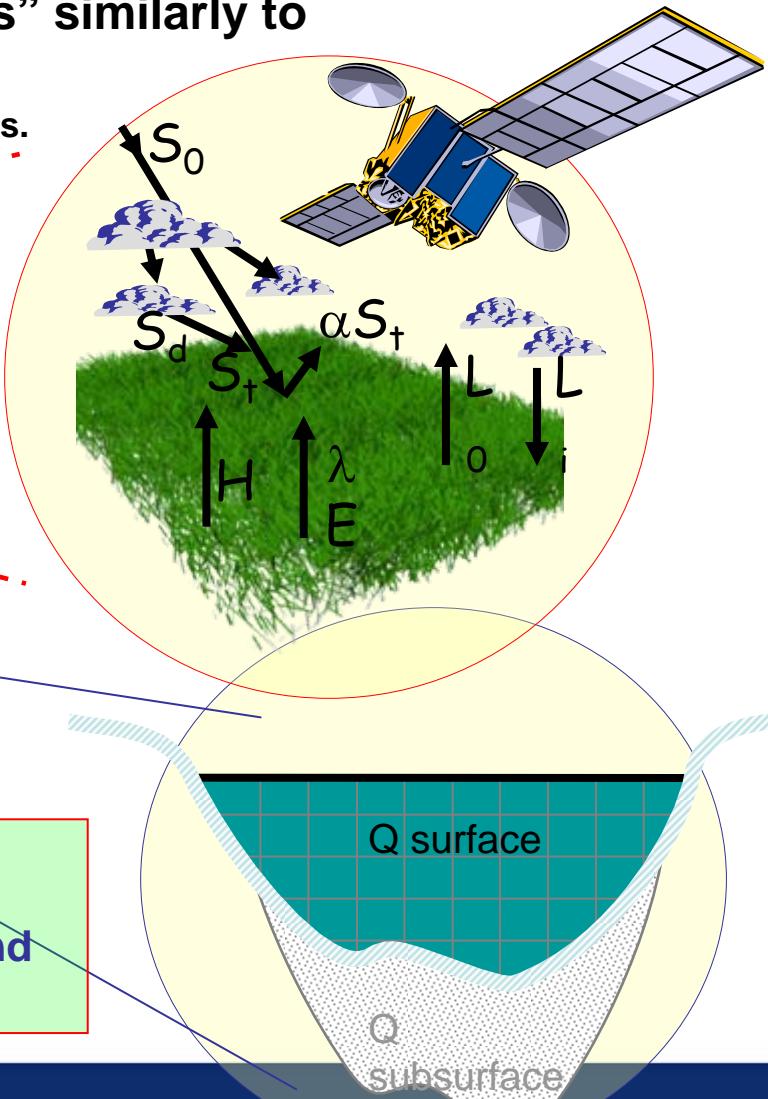
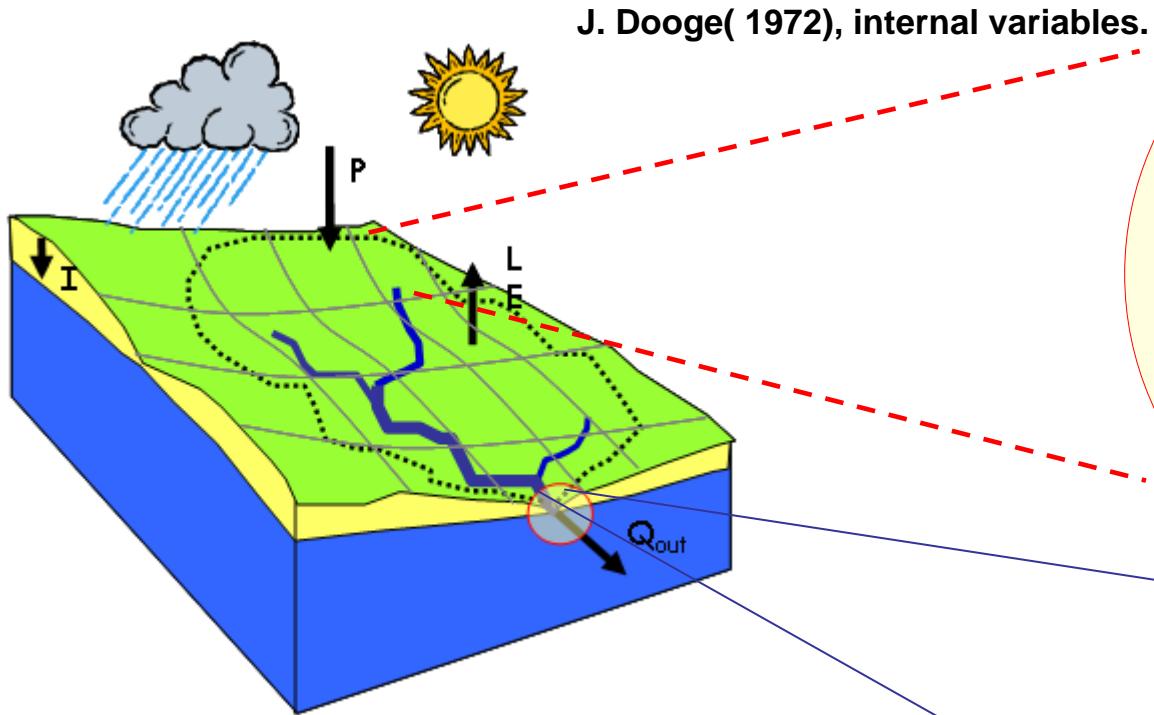
## **Deliverables:**

- Evapotranspiration maps and relative soil moisture
- Discharge and flow duration curves at different river cross sections

June 2011



**Is it reasonable to use evaporation flux “measures” similarly to discharge measurements?**



## Open problems :

- 1) Congruency between radiometric measurements and thermodynamic equilibrium temperature

# Distributed hydrological model for Remote sensing Interaction: continuous soil moisture update with energy balance base on LST equilibrium temperature

Soil water balance

Energy balance

$$P_{\text{tot}} = R + ET_{\text{eff}} + D + (\theta_{t+1} - \theta_t) * Z \quad \text{model}$$

$$Rn - G - H - LE = \frac{dS}{dt} \quad ET_{\text{eff}} = \frac{LE}{\rho Cp}$$

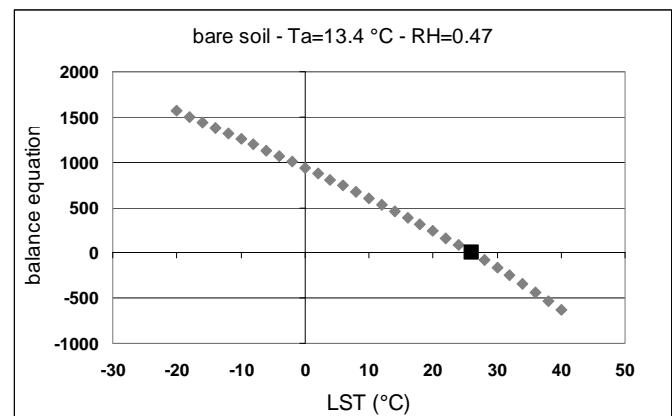
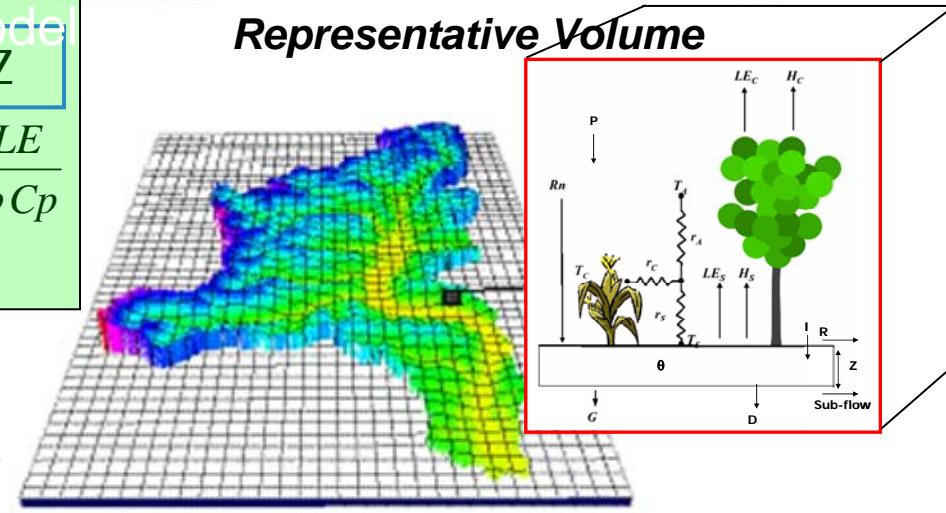
Finding an equilibrium temperature which is representative of the heterogeneity of the thermodynamic exchanges

$$RET = \int_V T(T_{\text{canopy}}, T_{\text{soil}}) dx dy dz$$

$$f(RET) = R_n(RET) - H(RET) - \lambda ET(RET) - G(RET) = 0$$

$$f(RET) = 0 \longrightarrow \text{Soil moisture (RET)}$$

$$LE_v + LE_s = \lambda E = \left[ \frac{f_v}{(r_a + r_c)} + \frac{(1-f_v)}{(r_{as} + r_s)} \right] \rho_a C_p \left( e^*(T_s) - e_a \right)$$



Corbari et al (2010) HYP,  
RSE subm.

# Upper Yangtze river basin: DEM and meteorological data

158 meteorological station  
(density = 0.02%)  
**2000-2010**

<http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/oa/ncdc.html>

## Daily data:

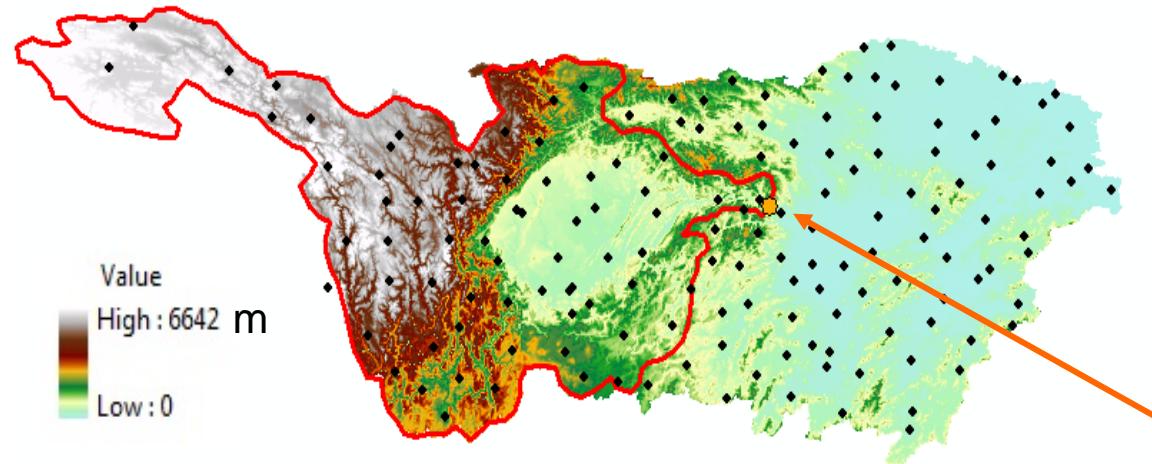
Air temperature

Rainfall

Air relative humidity

Incoming shortwave radiation

Wind speed



- Area: 1005500 km<sup>2</sup>
- Main length river: 2400 km
- Average Discharge: 13242 m<sup>3</sup>/s
- Cumulated annual rainfall: 816 mm

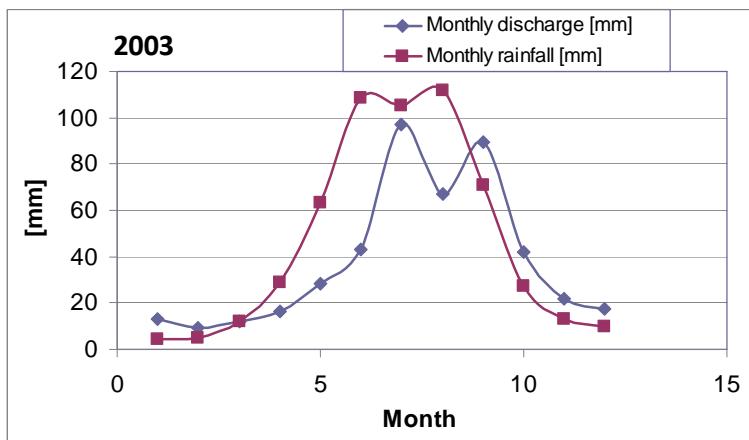
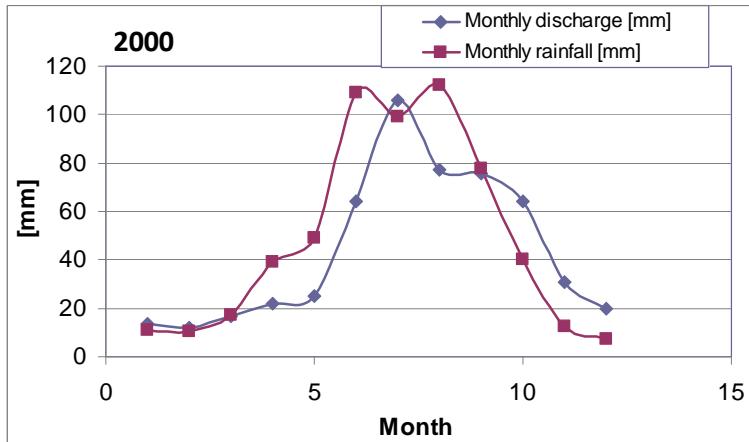
(Three Gorges Dam)



**Daily discharge**  
Yichang (30.66 N,  
111.23 E)  
**2000-2004** →  
before three gorges  
dam construction

[http://www.bafg.de/cln\\_007/hn\\_293894/GRDC](http://www.bafg.de/cln_007/hn_293894/GRDC)

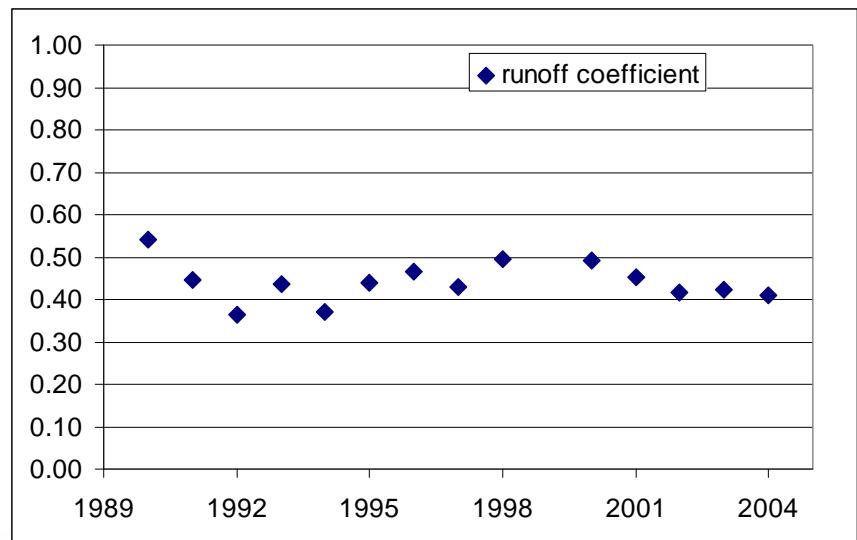
# Upper Yangtze river basin hydrological characterization: river network definition and Rainfall and Discharge regimes



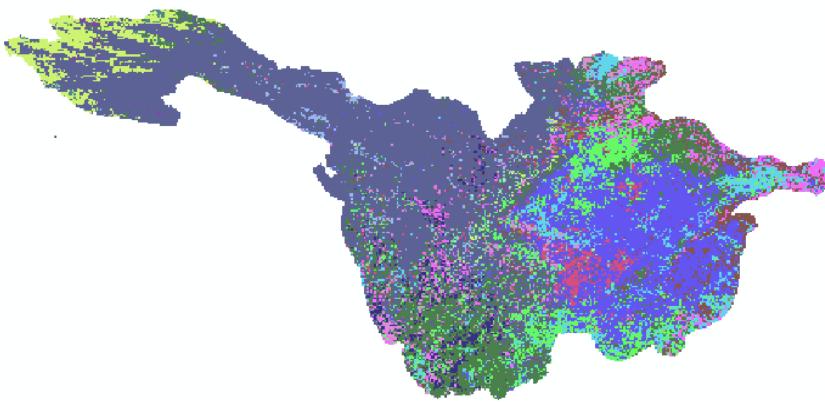
River network Area Threshold : 400 km<sup>2</sup>



Runoff coefficient = discharge/rainfall



**Land cover:** Envisat's Medium Resolution Imaging Spectrometer (**MERIS**) instrument. ESA GLOB COVER 2009

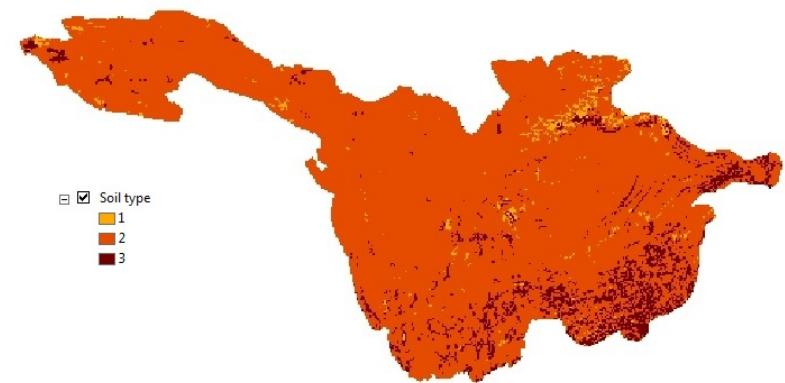


- Land use
- 1
  - 2
  - 3
  - 5
  - 6
  - 7
  - 8
  - 9
  - 10
  - 11
  - 12
  - 13
  - 14
  - 15
  - 16
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  - 18
  - 19
  - 21
  - 22

1	Urban and built-up land
2	Dryland cropland and pasture
3	Irrigated cropland and pasture
5	Cropland/grassland mosaic
6	Cropland/woodland mosaic
7	Grassland
8	Shrubland

## Soil Type

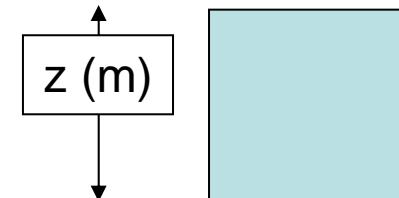
<http://www.iiasa.ac.at/Research/LUC/External-World-soil-database/c>



- Soil type
- 1
  - 2
  - 3

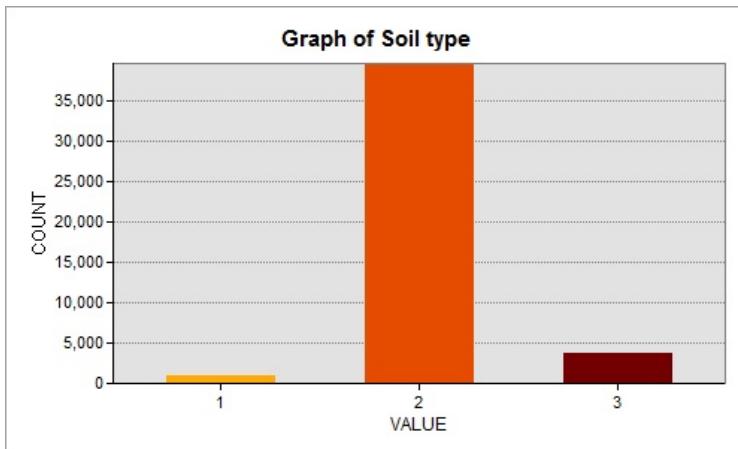
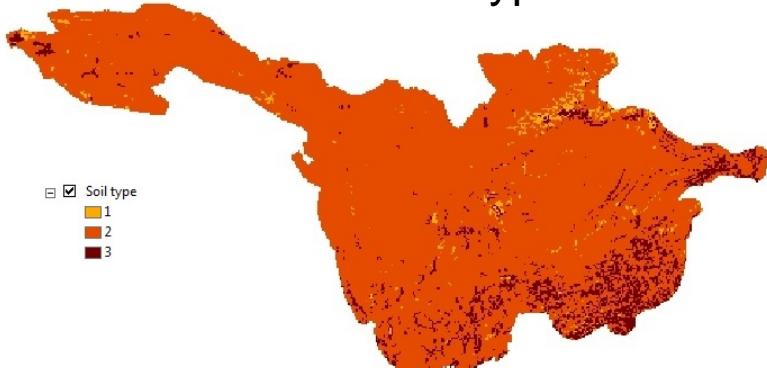
## Pixel max water storage

$$z = \frac{S(CN_1)}{\text{soil porosity}}$$



# Upper Yangtze river basin hydrological characterization: soil parameters

## Soil type



<http://www.iiasa.ac.at/Research/LUC/External-World-soil-database/c>

1	Sand
2	Sandy clay loam
3	Clay

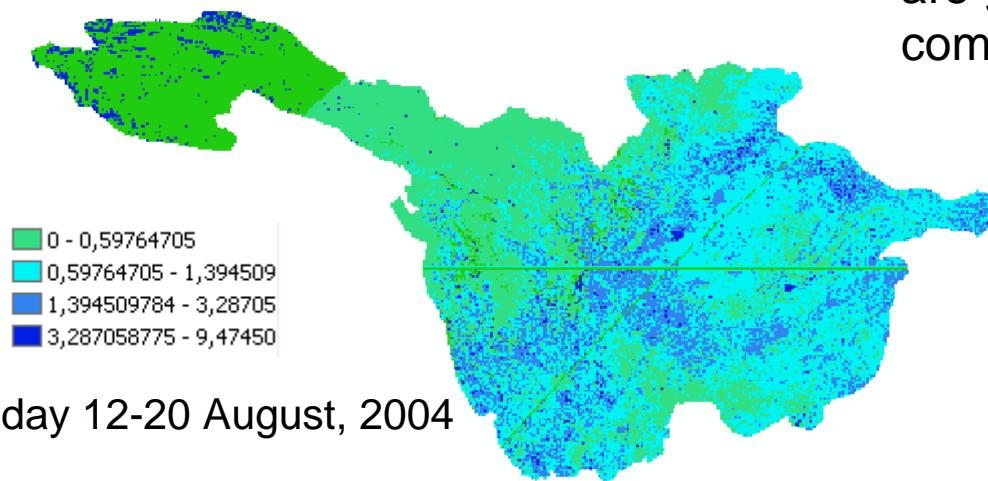
Handbook of hydrology

TABLE 5.3.2 Water-Retention Properties Classified by Soil Texture

Texture class	Sample size	Total porosity $\phi_t$ , cm <sup>3</sup> /cm <sup>3</sup>	Residual water content $\theta_r$ , cm <sup>3</sup> /cm <sup>3</sup>	Effective porosity $\phi_e$ , cm <sup>3</sup> /cm <sup>3</sup>	Bubbling pressure $h_b$ Geometric, <sup>†</sup> mean, cm	Pore-size distribution $\lambda$ Arithmetic mean	Water retained at -33 kPa, cm <sup>3</sup> /cm <sup>3</sup>	Water retained at -1500 kPa, cm <sup>3</sup> /cm <sup>3</sup>
Sand	762	0.437* (0.374–0.500)	0.020 (0.001–0.039)	0.417 (0.354–0.480)	7.26 (1.36–38.74)	0.694 (0.298–1.090)	0.091 (0.018–0.164)	0.033 (0.007–0.059)
Loamy sand	338	0.437 (0.368–0.506)	0.035 (0.003–0.067)	0.401 (0.329–0.473)	8.69 (1.80–41.85)	0.553 (0.234–0.872)	0.125 (0.060–0.190)	0.055 (0.019–0.091)
Sandy loam	666	0.453 (0.351–0.555)	0.041 (0.024–0.106)	0.412 (0.283–0.541)	14.66 (3.45–62.24)	0.378 (0.140–0.616)	0.207 (0.126–0.288)	0.095 (0.031–0.159)
Loam	383	0.463 (0.375–0.551)	0.027 (-0.020–0.074)	0.434 (0.334–0.534)	11.15 (1.63–76.40)	0.252 (0.086–0.418)	0.270 (0.195–0.345)	0.117 (0.069–0.165)
Silt loam	1206	0.501 (0.420–0.582)	0.015 (-0.028–0.058)	0.486 (0.394–0.578)	20.76 (3.58–120.4)	0.234 (0.105–0.363)	0.330 (0.258–0.402)	0.133 (0.078–0.188)
Sandy clay loam	498	0.398 (0.332–0.464)	0.068 (-0.001–0.137)	0.330 (0.235–0.425)	28.08 (5.57–141.5)	0.319 (0.079–0.559)	0.255 (0.186–0.324)	0.148 (0.085–0.211)
Clay loam	366	0.464 (0.409–0.519)	0.075 (-0.024–0.174)	0.390 (0.279–0.501)	25.89 (5.80–115.7)	0.242 (0.070–0.414)	0.318 (0.250–0.386)	0.197 (0.115–0.279)
Silty clay loam	689	0.471 (0.418–0.524)	0.040 (-0.038–0.118)	0.432 (0.347–0.517)	32.56 (6.68–158.7)	0.177 (0.039–0.315)	0.366 (0.304–0.428)	0.208 (0.138–0.278)
Sandy clay	45	0.430 (0.370–0.490)	0.109 (0.013–0.205)	0.321 (0.207–0.435)	29.17 (4.96–171.6)	0.223 (0.048–0.398)	0.339 (0.245–0.433)	0.239 (0.162–0.316)
Silty clay	127	0.479 (0.425–0.533)	0.056 (-0.024–0.136)	0.423 (0.334–0.512)	34.19 (7.04–166.2)	0.150 (0.040–0.260)	0.387 (0.332–0.442)	0.250 (0.193–0.307)
Clay	291	0.475 (0.427–0.523)	0.090 (-0.015–0.195)	0.385 (0.269–0.501)	37.30 (7.43–187.2)	0.165 (0.037–0.293)	0.396 (0.326–0.466)	0.272 (0.208–0.336)

Saturated conductivity  
Wilting point  
Field capacity  
Residual water content  
Brooks and Corey index

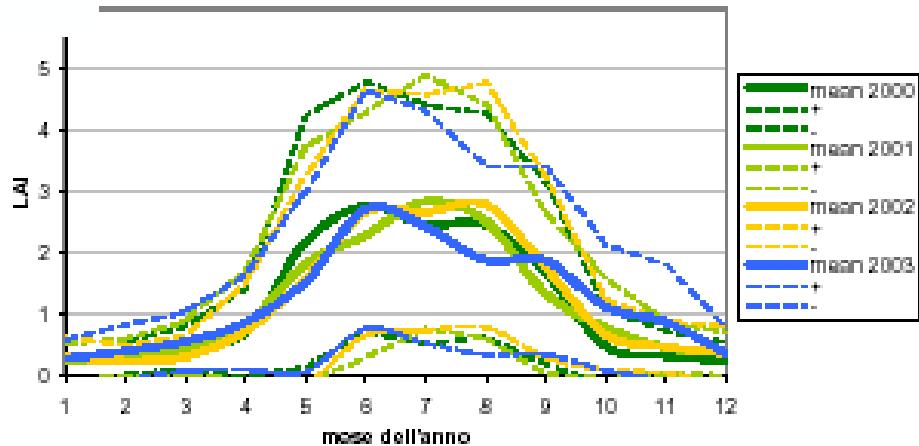
## Leaf area index



LAI 1-km **MODIS LAI** used products are generated over an 8-days compositing period

## The link with Evapotranspiration

$$rc = \frac{\text{Minimum stomata resistance}}{LAI} \quad [\text{sec}^{-1}]$$



Methods tested in the Upper Po river basin where hourly data are available

## Air temperature (method 1)

For  $0 \leq H < RISE$  and  $14:00h < H \leq 2400h$

$$T(H) = T_{ave} + AMP(\cos(pH'/10.0 + RISE))$$

For  $Rise \leq H \leq 14:00h$

$$T(H) = T_{ave} - AMP(\cos(p(H - RISE)/(14 - RISE)))$$

$RISE$  = Time of Sunrise [h]

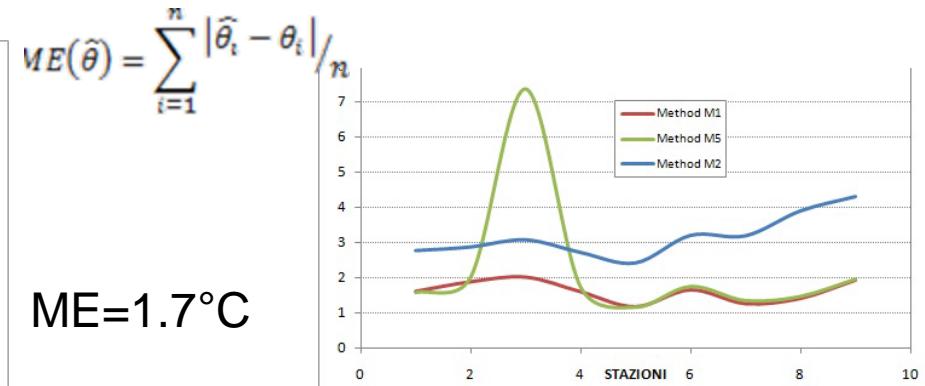
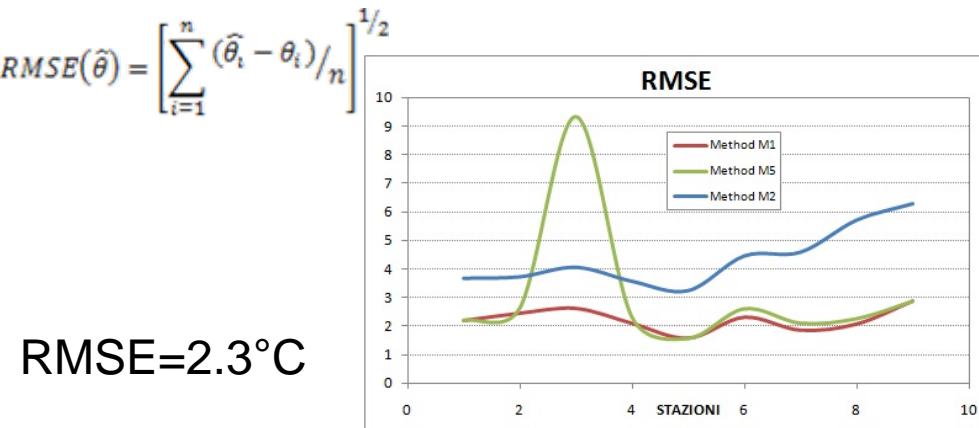
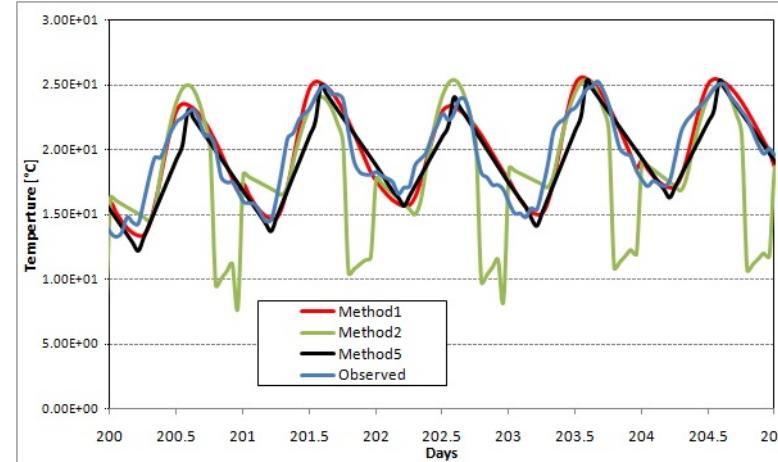
$T(H)$  = Temperature at any hour

$H' = H + 10$  if  $H < RISE$

$H' = 14$  if  $H > 14:00h$

$$T_{ave} = (T_{min} + T_{max})/2$$

$$AMP = (T_{max} - T_{min})/2$$



Accuracy of hourly air temperatures calculated from daily minima and maxima. Reicosky et al. 2000

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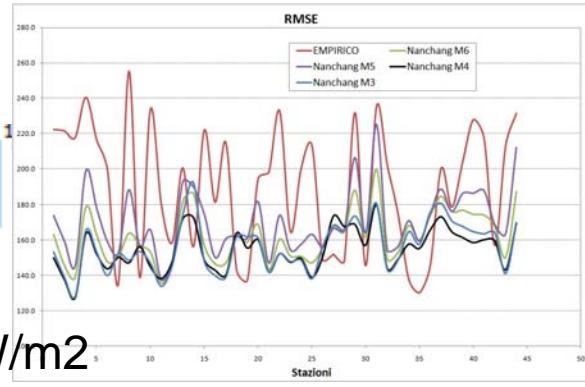
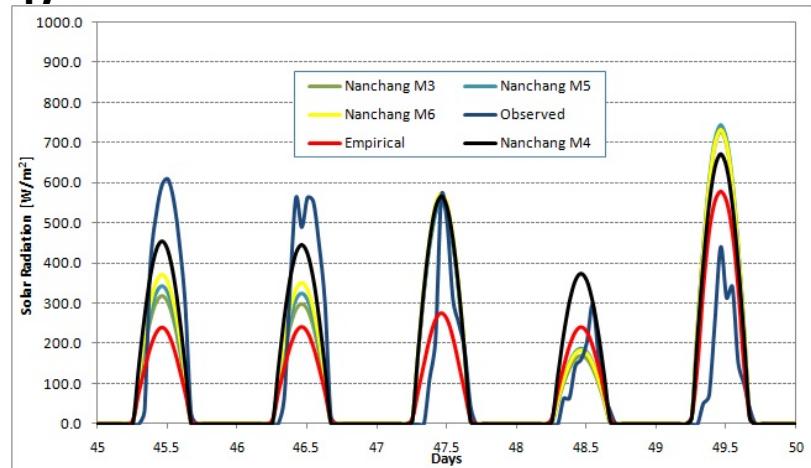
## Incoming shortwave radiation (Method 4)

$$R_G = R_E a_0 (T_{Dif})^{0.5}$$

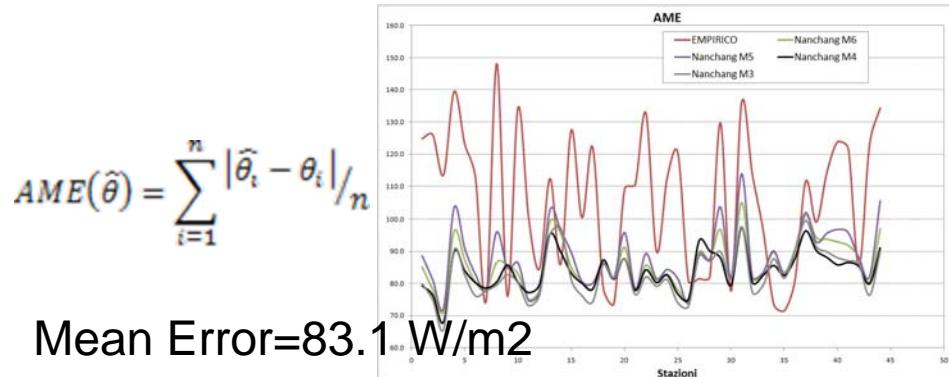
$R_G$  is daily actual global radiation [ $\text{MJ/m}^2$ ]

$R_E$  is daily extra atmosphere global solar radiation [ $\text{MJ/m}^2$ ]  
 $a_0 = 0,153$

$T_{Dif}$  is daily temperature difference [ $^\circ\text{C}$ ]



RMSE=153.8  $\text{W/m}^2$



Mean Error=83.1  $\text{W/m}^2$

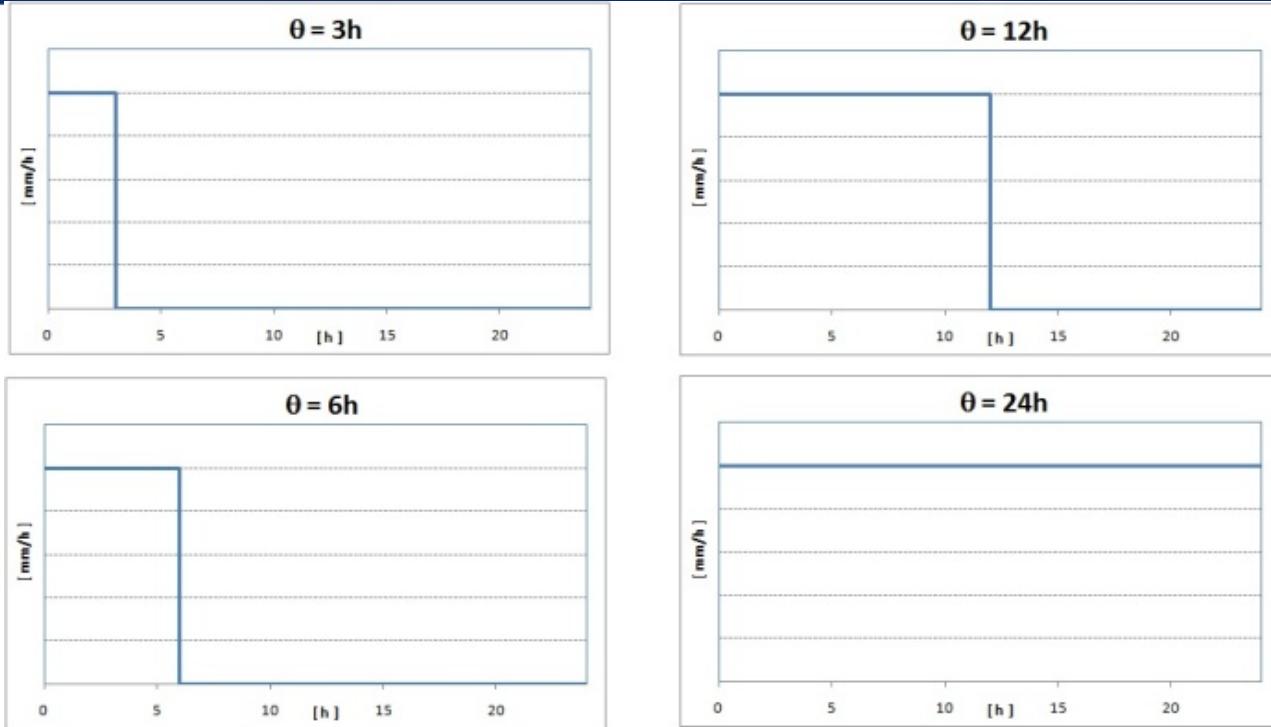
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## Precipitation

Available cumulative daily rainfall  
and relative duration  
[ 3 – 6 – 12 – 24 ] h

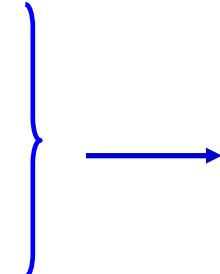


Constant intensity for  
assigned duration



Relative air humidity

Wind velocity



Average daily value

MODEL spatial resolution = 5 x 5 km

Model EWB temporal resolution = 1h

Channel routing temporal resolution = 0.25 h

1. **Snow model calibration**: comparison between snow area coverage from MODIS and FEST-EWB
2. **Land surface temperature** comparison among FEST-EWB model, MODIS & AATSR

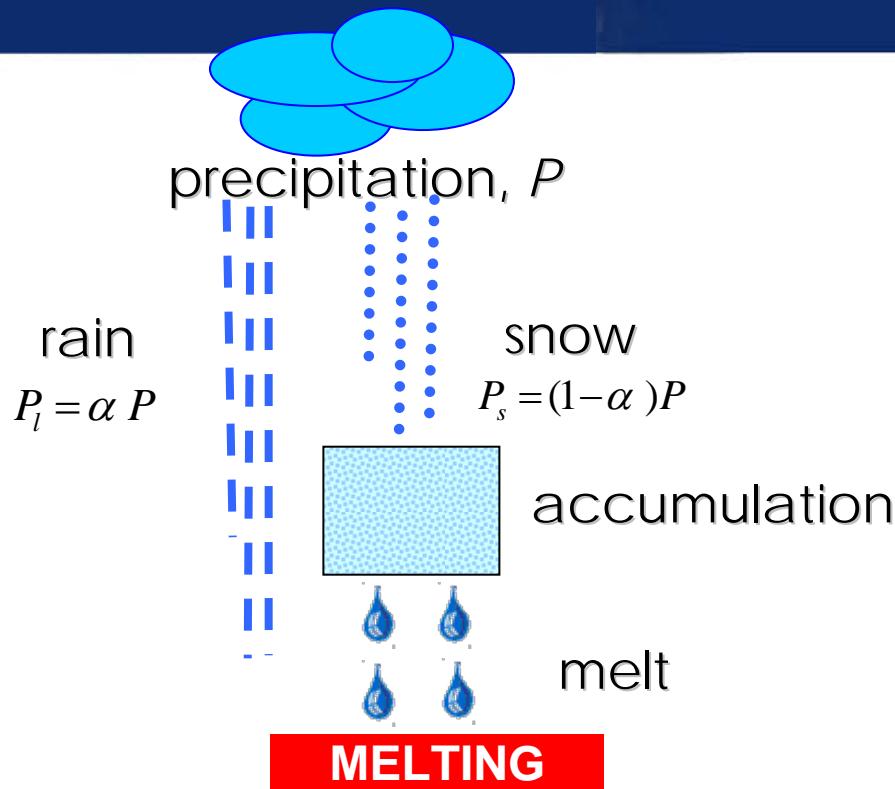
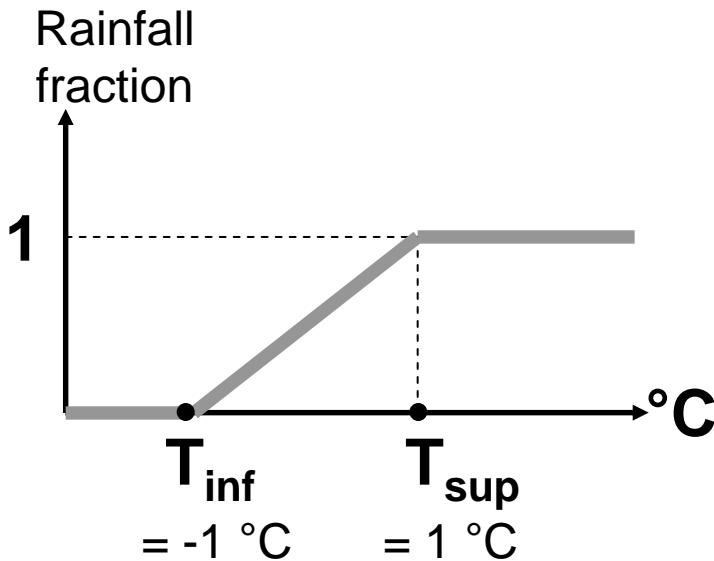


## Outputs

1. LAND SURFACE TEMPERATURE maps
2. Evapotranspiration maps
3. Discharge and flow duration curves at river cross sections

## ACCUMULATION: Precipitation partitioning

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \alpha = 0 & \Leftrightarrow T_a \leq T_{inf} \\ \alpha = \frac{T_{air}(t) - T_{inf}}{T_{sup} - T_{inf}} & \Leftrightarrow T_{inf} < T_a < T_{sup} \\ \alpha = 1 & \Leftrightarrow T_a > T_{sup} \end{array} \right.$$



$$SnowMelt = C_m (T_a - T_b)$$

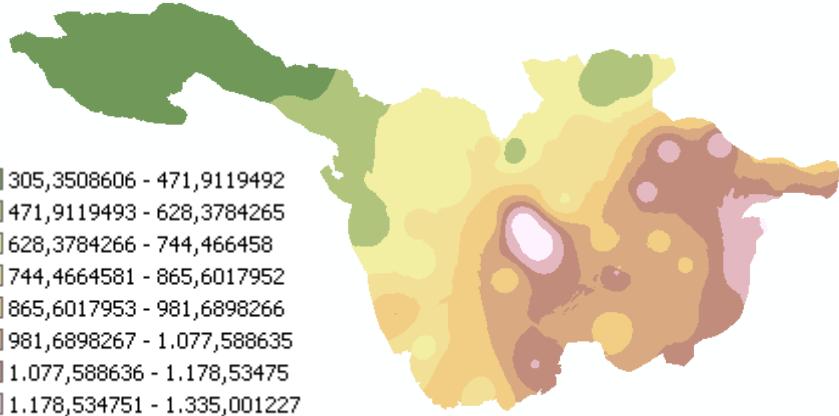
$T_a$  = air temperature

$T_b$  = threshold temperature =  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$

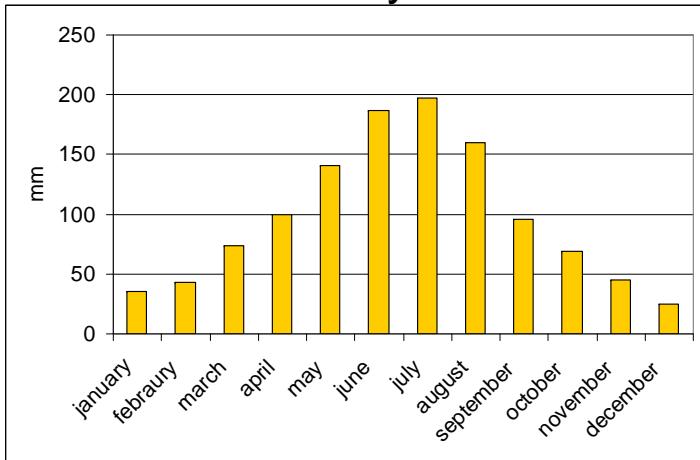
$C_m$  = melt coefficient =  $4.5 \text{ [m/(s }^{\circ}\text{C)]}$

# Upper Yangtze river basin: rainfall and snow spatial and temporal distribution

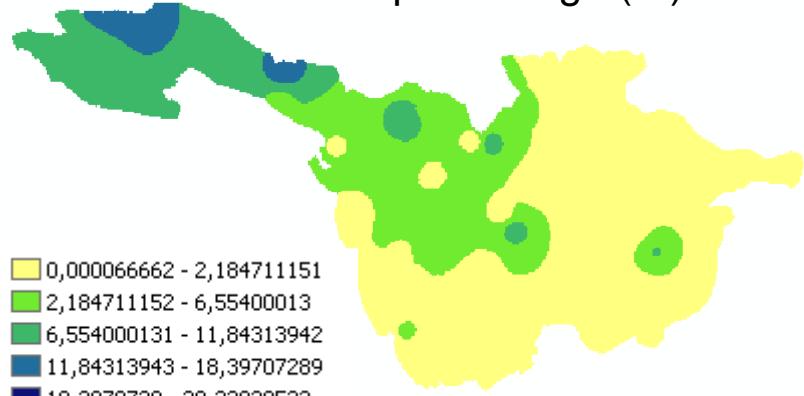
Mean Annual precipitation (mm) [2000-2010]



Rainfall mean monthly values



Snow percentage (%)

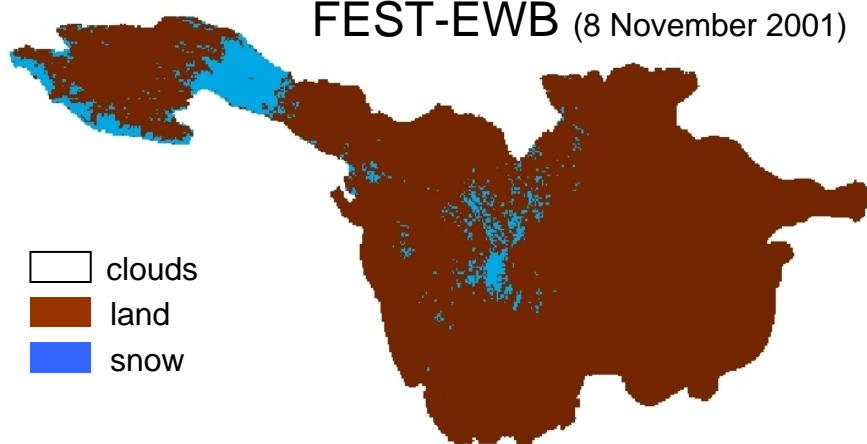
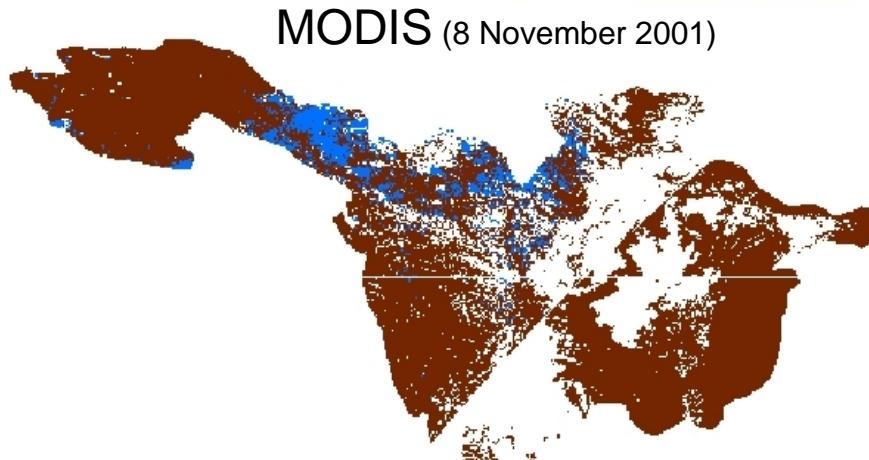


FEST-EWB snow model calibration



**MODIS** (Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer) on board Terra and Aqua satellite

- Years : 2000-2004
- Months : from September to April
- **Number of images: 50**



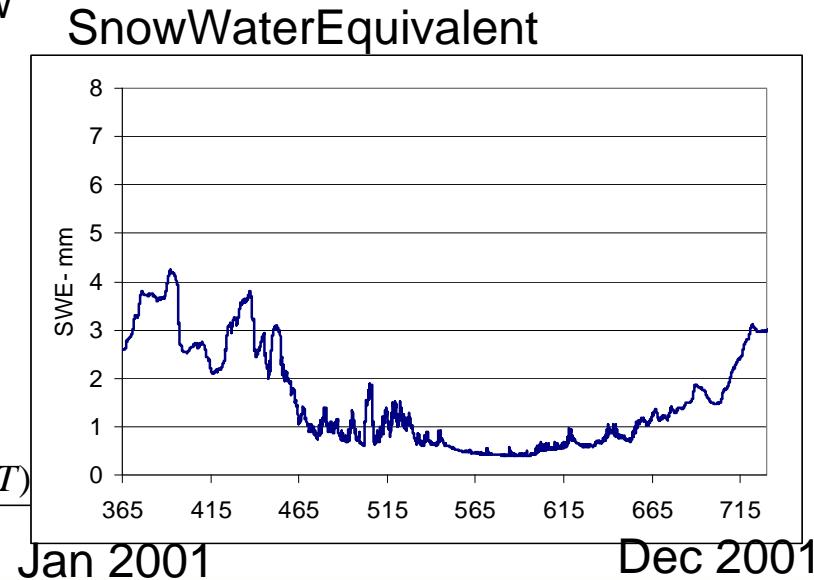
- clouds
- land
- snow

Corresponding pixel percentage with and without snow

TOTALE		FEST	
		No Snow	Snow
MODIS	No Snow	95.5	0.4
	Snow	0.6	3.5

CPI=0.98

$$CPI = \frac{\text{correctsnow(MODIS \& FEST)} + \text{correctnosnow(MODIS \& FEST)}}{n^{\circ} \text{ total pixels}}$$

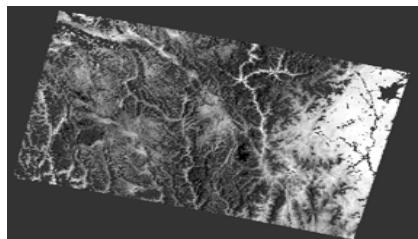


## AATSR ENVISAT Gridded Surface Temperature (ATS\_NR\_\_2P)

- Spatial coverage: 90 N , 90 S , 180 W , 180 E
- Data type: optical/multi spectral radiometry low/medium resolution
- Resolution: resampled 1 km x 1km along track

### IMAGES:

- Months: from July 2002 to December 2004
- **Number of images: 150**



Georeferencing [ BEAM Program ]

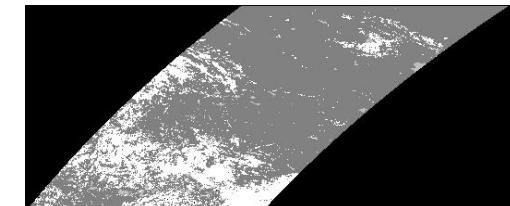
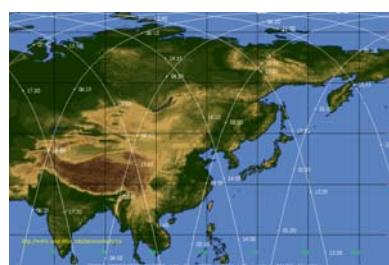
*Envisat images are insufficient to cover the period of interest*



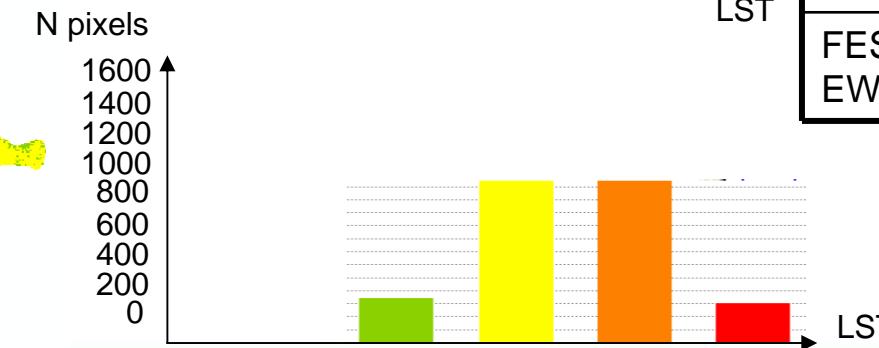
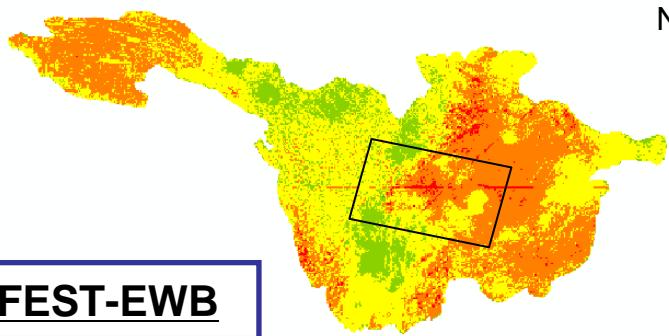
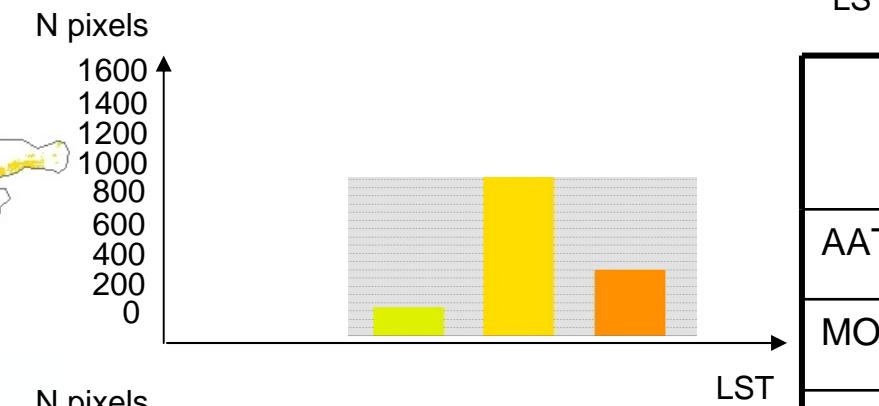
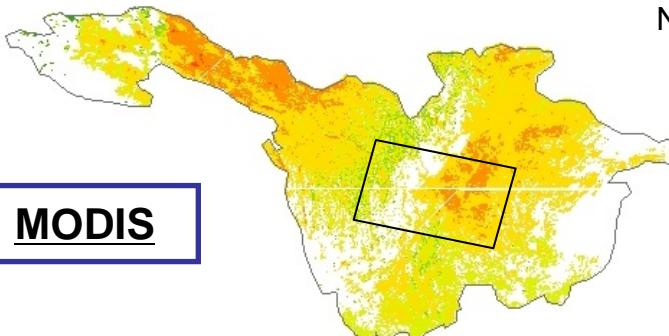
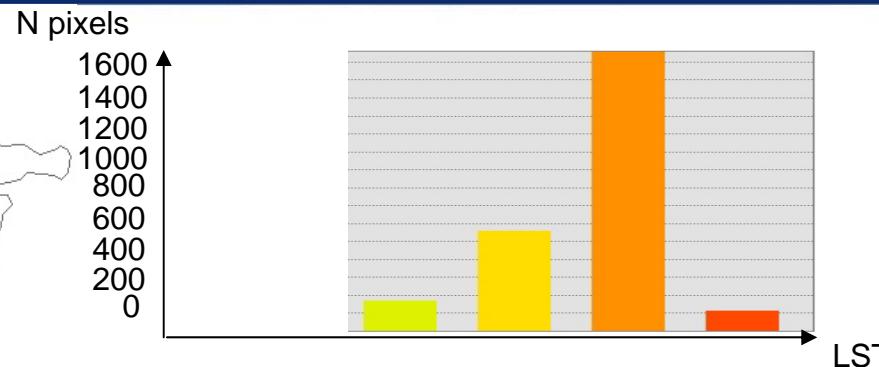
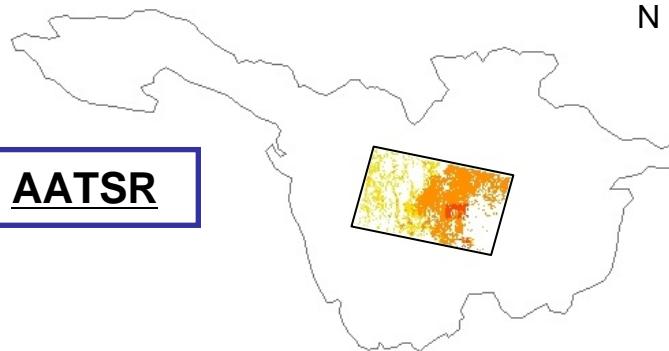
Completed with **MODIS/Terra LST daily L3 global 1km sin grid v004**

### IMAGES:

- Years : 2000-2004
- Months : from January to December
- **Number of images: 300**

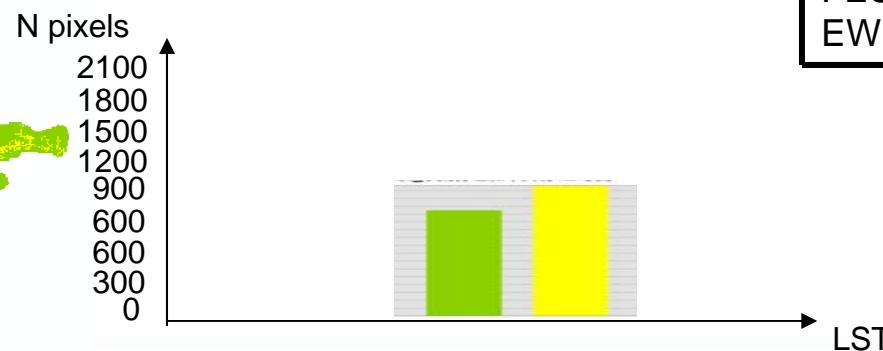
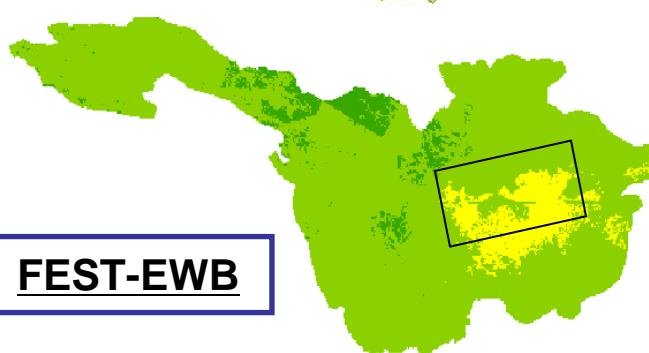
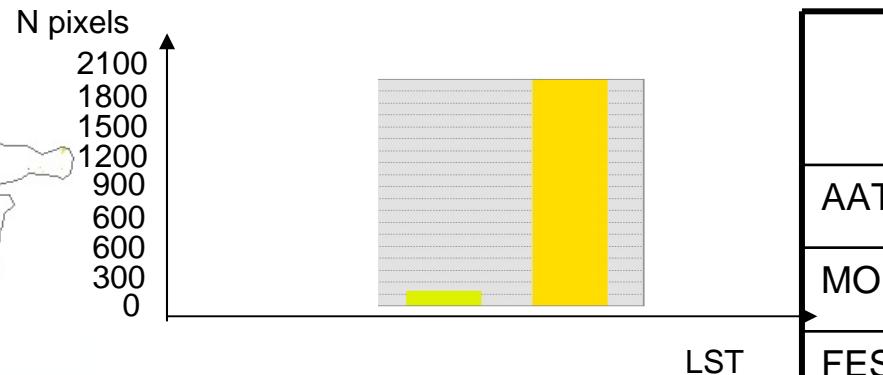
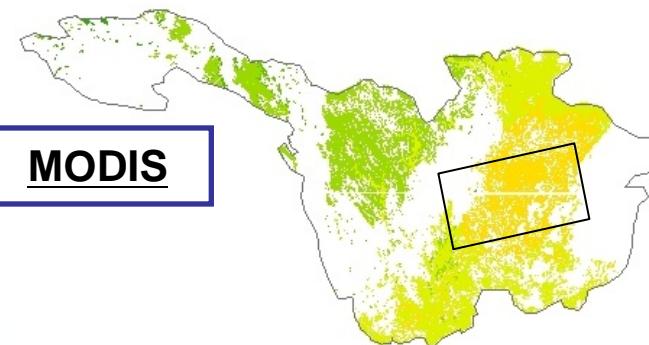
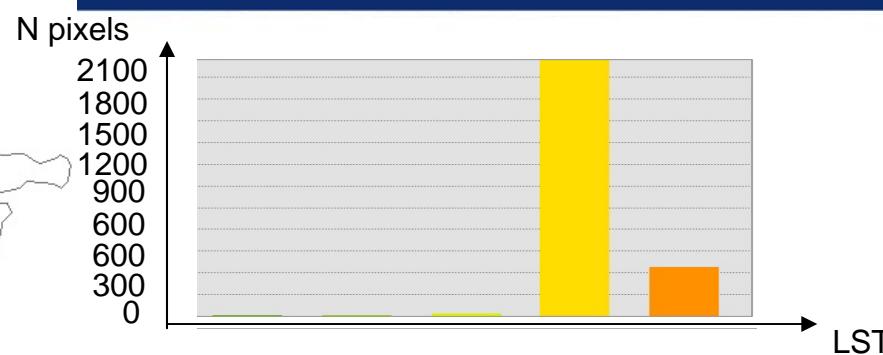
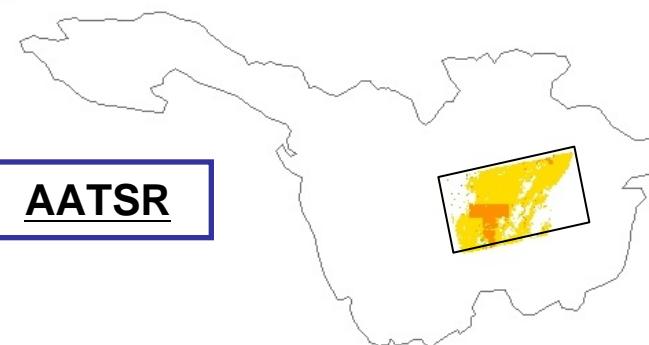


# Comparison between LST from MODIS and AATSR and RET (18 August 02 -11:12am) - DAY



	Mean LST (°C)	St. Dev. (°C)
AATSR	28.1	6.0
MODIS	24.1	4.5
FEST-EWB	26.1	5.1

# Comparison between LST from MODIS and AATSR and RET (18 August 02 -11 pm) - NIGHT



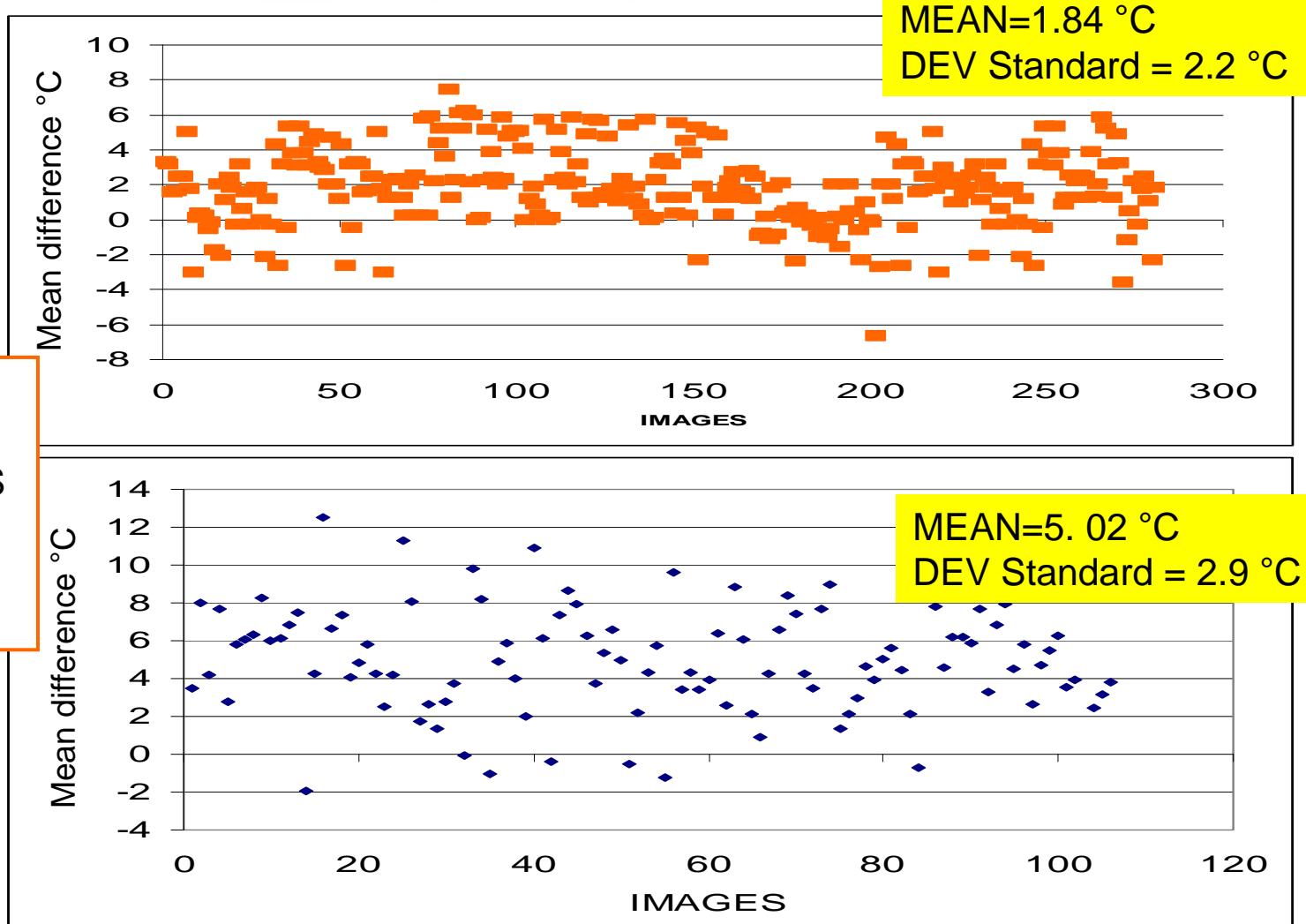
	Mean LST (°C)	St. Dev. (°C)
AATSR	24.3	3.5
MODIS	19.8	1.8
FEST-EWB	19.1	1.0

# Comparison between LST from MODIS and AATSR and RET (2000-2004)

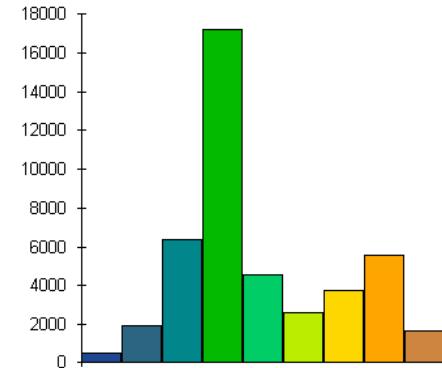
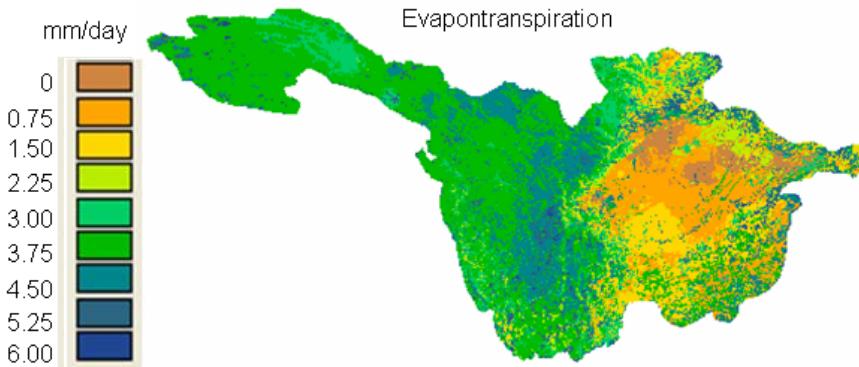
Difference  
between FEST-  
EWB LST and  
**MODIS (2000-  
2004)**

Model RET are on  
average  $1.8^{\circ}\text{C}$   
higher than MODIS  
LST, and  $5^{\circ}\text{C}$   
higher respect to  
**AATSR.**

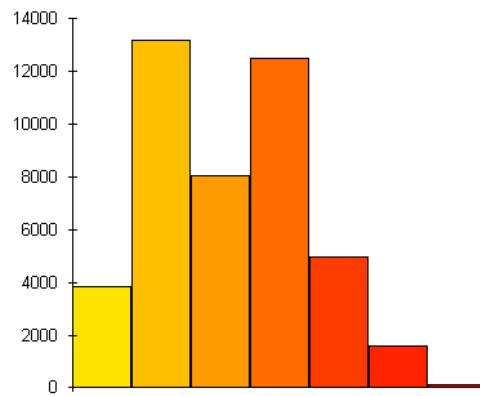
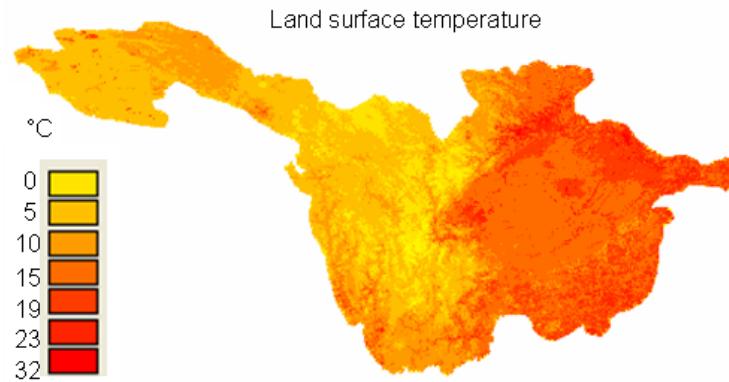
Difference  
between FEST-  
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**AATSR(2002-  
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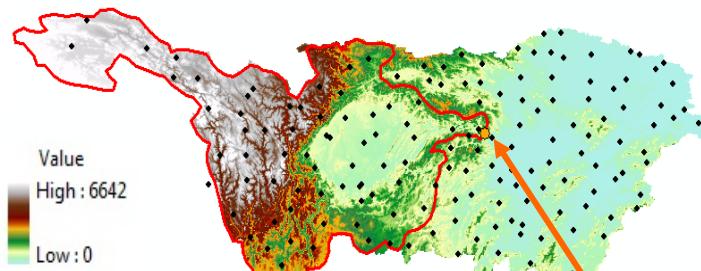


## Evapotranspiration

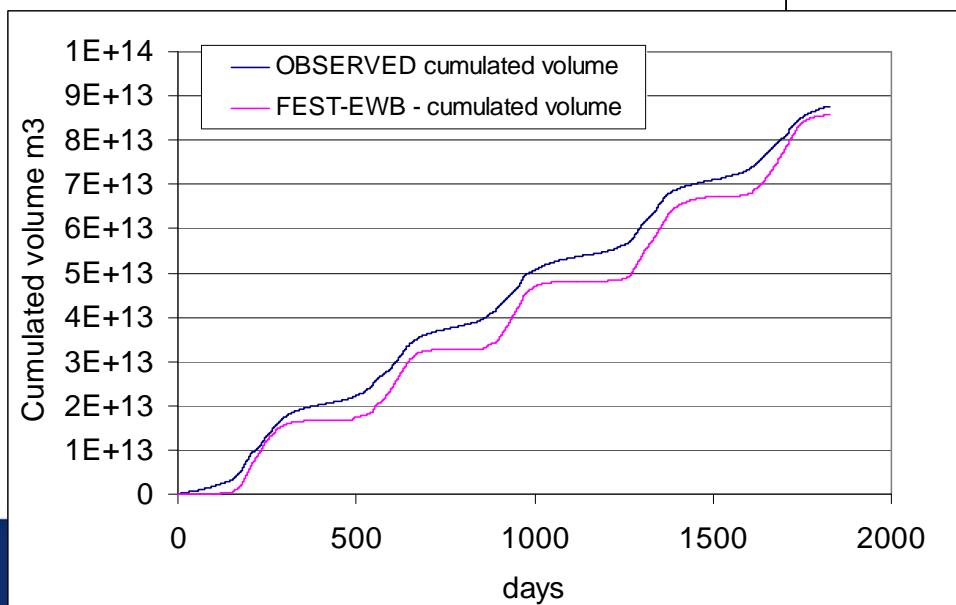
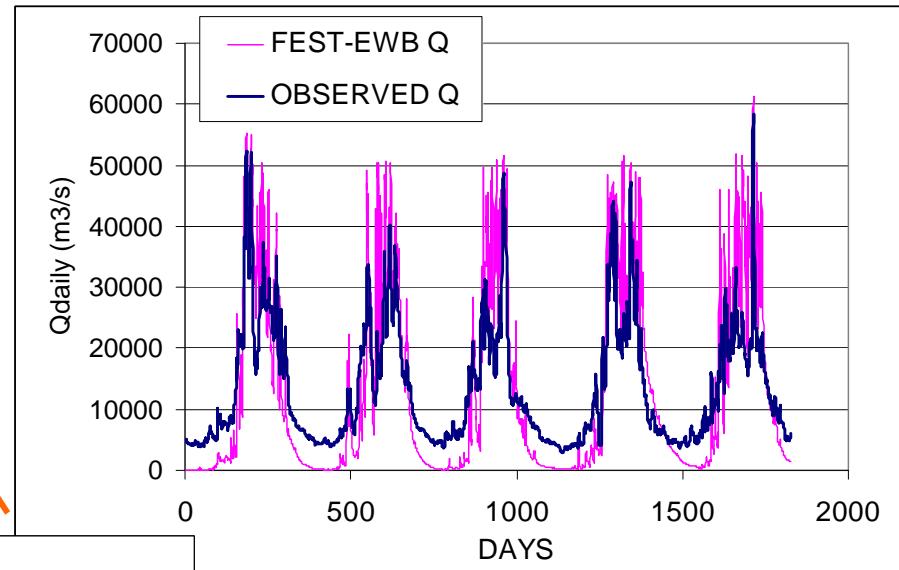


## Land surface temperature





**ERROR -18.9 %**



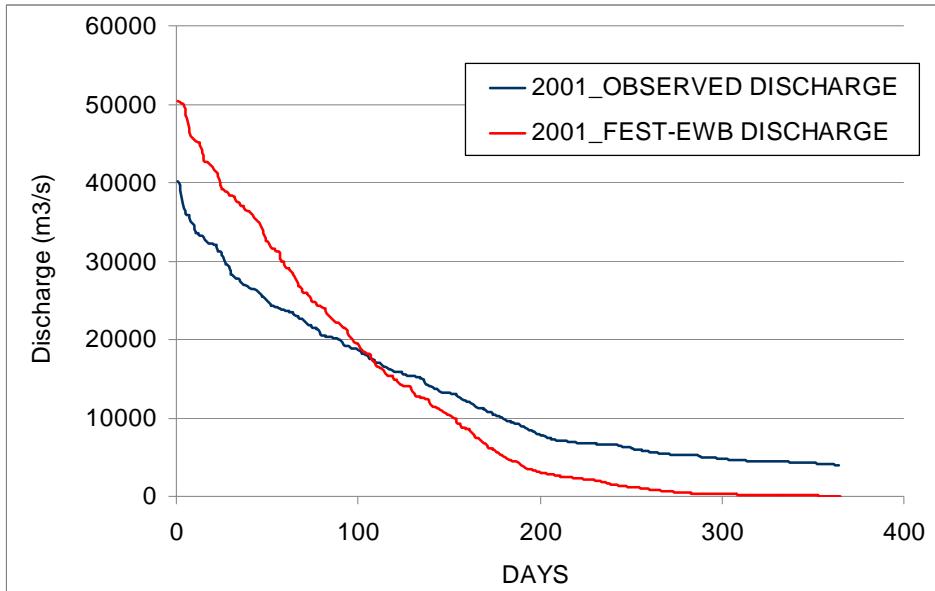
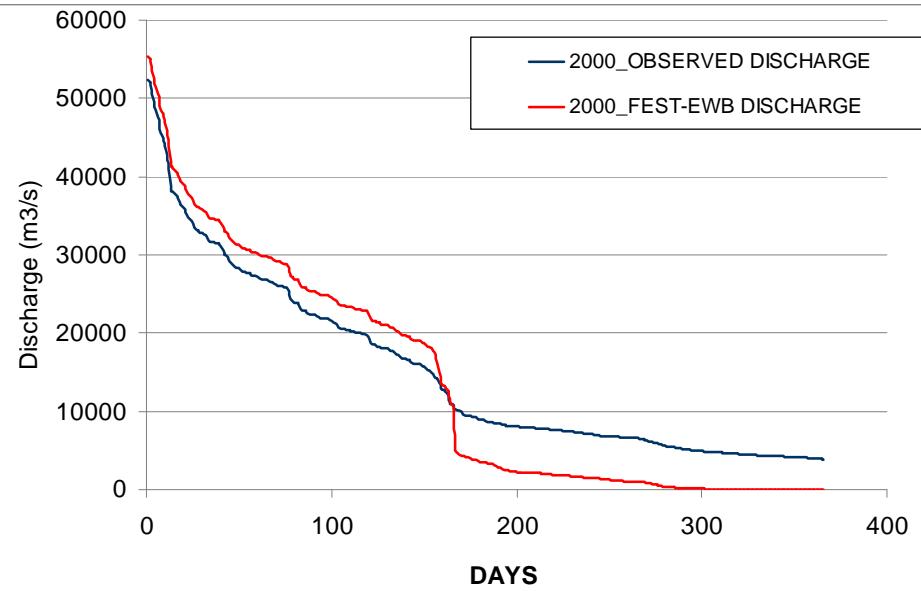
**Daily discharge**  
Yichang  
2000-2004 →  
**before three**  
**gorges dam**  
**construction**

**RMSE 83.3 m³/s**  
**NASH 0.61**

$$\eta = 1 - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n_t} (Q_{m,j} - Q_{o,j})^2}{\sum_{j=1}^{n_t} (Q_{o,j} - \bar{Q}_o)^2}$$

# Flow duration curves at Yichang for water resources management

for hydropower and agricultural potential use for river cross section of interest.



Some problems ON baseflow

ONGOING CALIBRATION

**Land surface temperature and evapotranspiration fluxes estimates from satellite data can be a promising tool to be used in synergy with traditional discharge measurements for improving mass fluxes at river basin scale: a step forward the quantification of the “internal variables” of the hydrological model (Dooge 1972) .**

## **Next year activity:**

1. distributed maps of evapotranspiration from the hydrological model and satellite thermal infrared
2. continuous soil moisture updating for flood forecast and irrigation time management, eventually SMOS data comparison.
3. Flow duration curve in different river cross sections
4. Wetlands dynamics modelling and interaction with ID5264 (Hervè Yèsou)
5. Interaction with Drought Monitoring and Hydrology projects

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