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CO₂ EXCHANGE DYNAMICS IN AGRICULTURAL ECOSYSTEM: A CASE STUDY OF WHEAT

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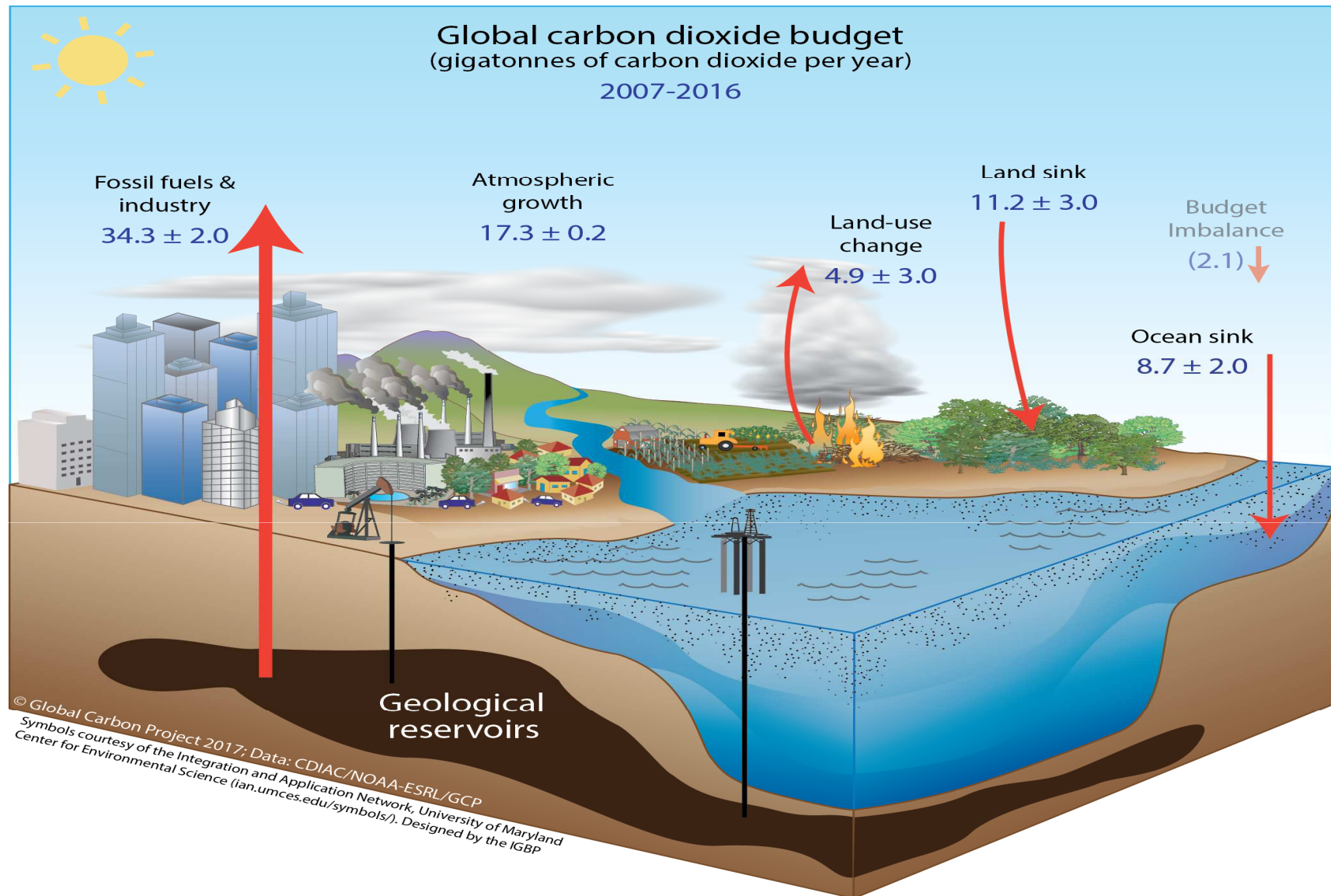
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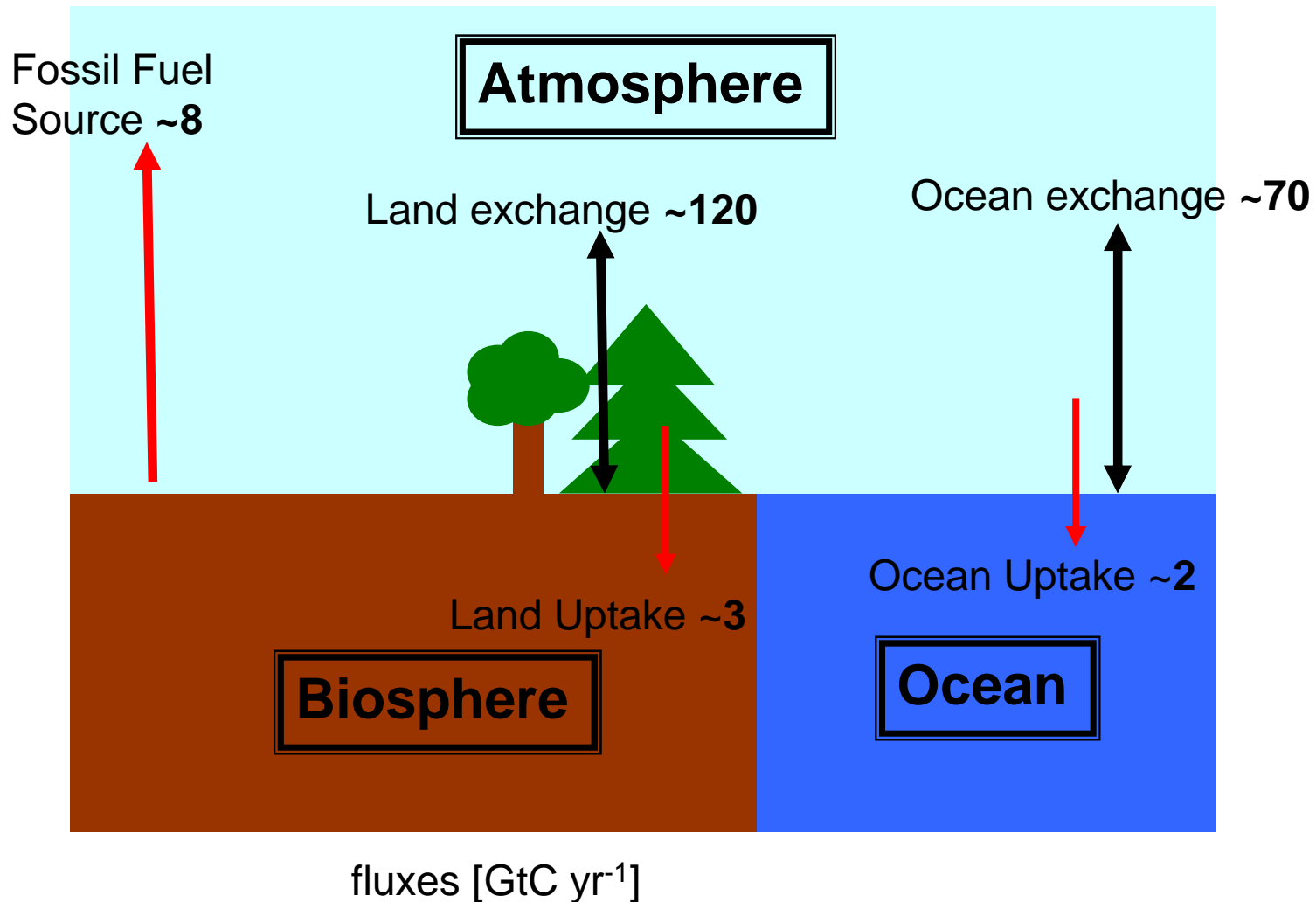
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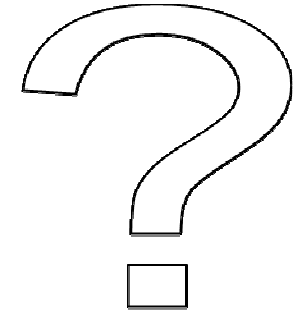
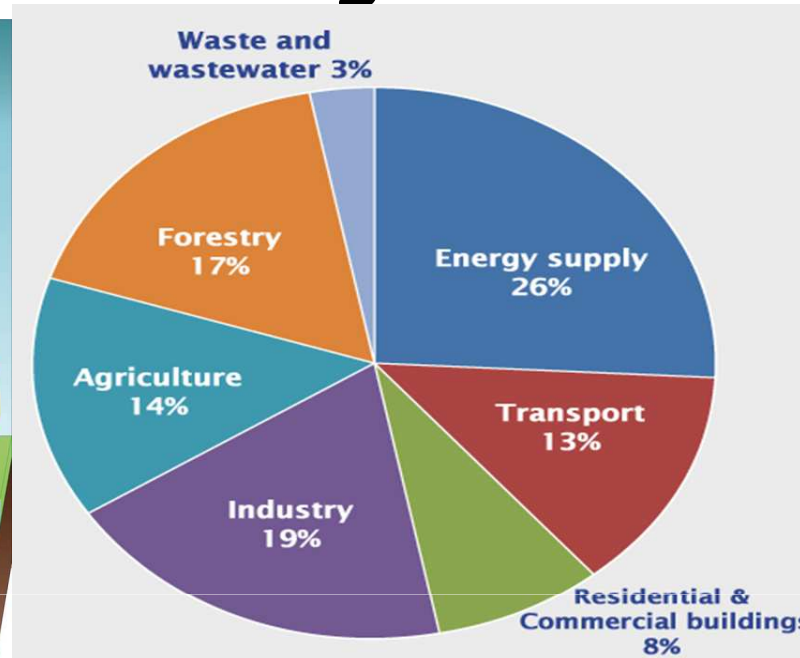
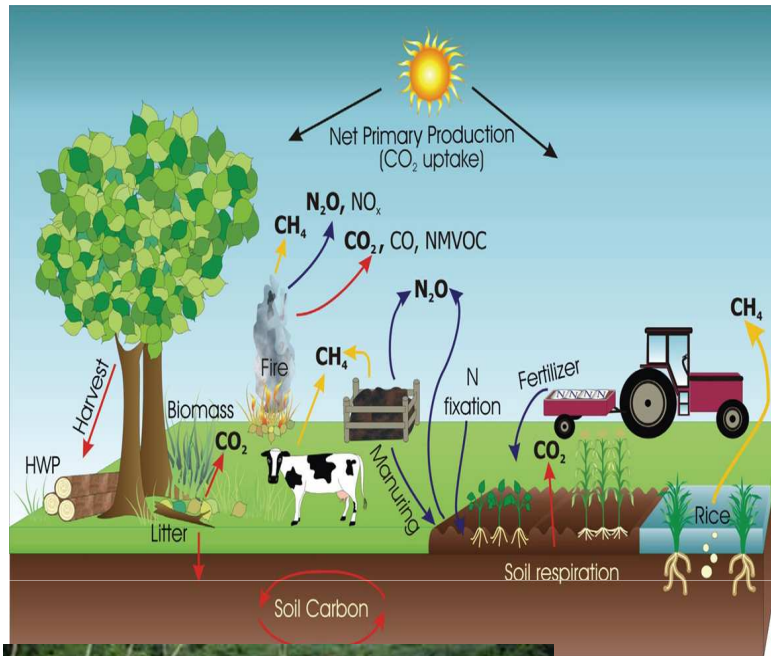
Source: CDIAC; NOAA-ESRL; Le Quéré et al 2017;
Global Carbon Budget 2017

- 1 Gigatonne (Gt) = 1 billion tonnes = 1×10^{15} g = 1 Petagram (Pg)
- 1 kg carbon (C) = 3.664 kg carbon dioxide (CO₂)
- 1 GtC = 3.664 billion tonnes CO₂ = 3.664 GtCO₂

Global Carbon Cycle



Greenhouse gases



Introduction

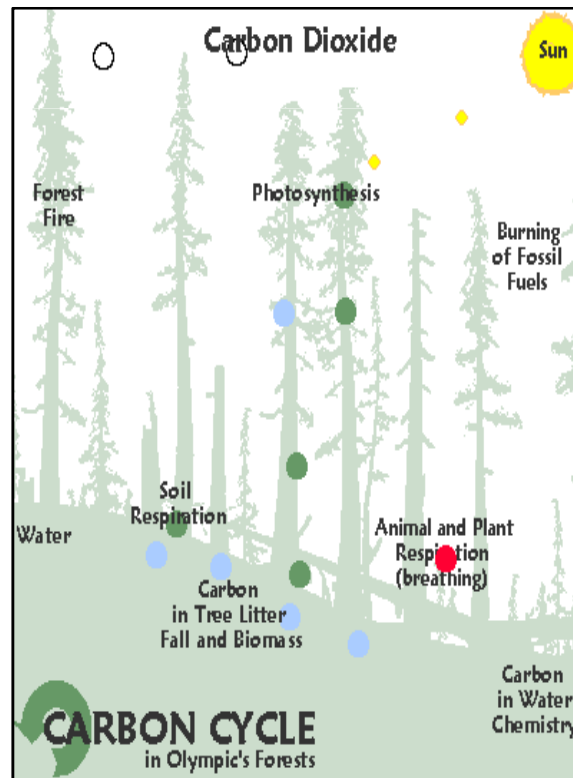
To determine fluxes of these gases field studies are conducted over;

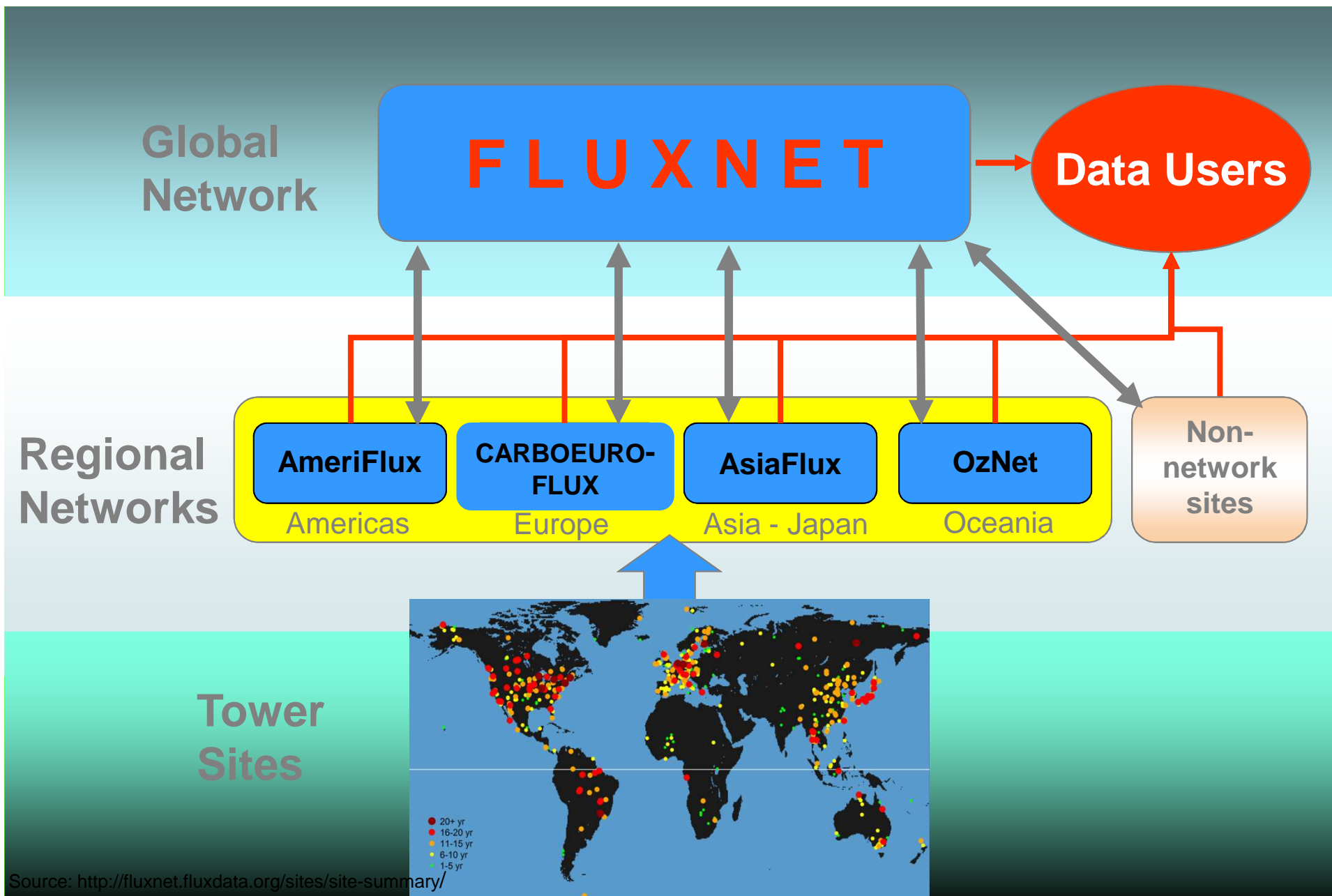
- Forests
- Wetlands
- Grasslands
- Soil surfaces
- Tundras
- Deserts
- Agricultural areas.



INTRODUCTION

- In these ecosystems, plants both capture and release carbon but mainly have a decreasing effect on atmospheric carbon dioxide concentration.



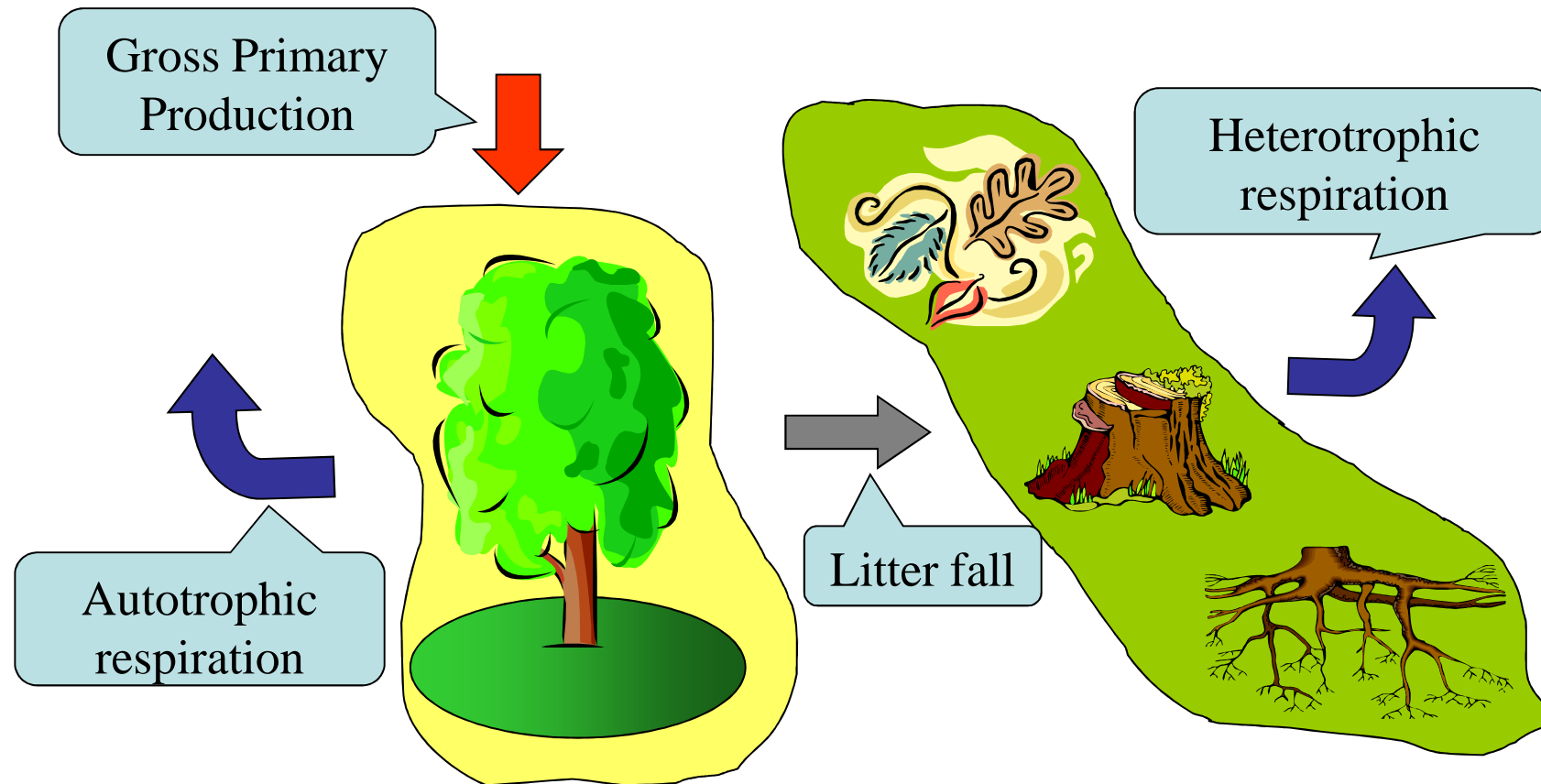




Photosynthesis

Respiration

Net Ecosystem
Exchange



Terms for Carbon exchange

- ***Gross Primary Productivity (GPP)***

GPP = Net Photosynthesis integrated over space and time

Net Primary Production (NPP)

What is the NPP?

Net Carbon Gain by an ecosystem

$$NPP = GPP - R_a$$

Carbon-Uptake processes (GPP)

Carbon loss processes (respiration) (R)

R_a: Respiration of plant component, called '**autotrophic respiration**'

$$NPP = \Delta B + L + C$$

where ΔB is growing rate of biomass; L, the litter production (litter fall); C the consumption by insects.

Net Ecosystem Exchange (NEE) and Net Ecosystem Production (NEP)

$$\text{NEE} = \text{NEP}$$

$$\text{NEE} = \text{NEP} = \text{NPP} - R_h$$

R_h: Respiration of heterotrophs including the animal and microbial consumption of the organic matter produced by plants

$$\text{NEE} = \text{NEP} = \text{GPP} - R_e$$

$$R_e = R_a + R_h$$

R_e: Ecosystem Respiration

Net Ecosystem Exchange (NEE)

- Net CO₂ exchange with the atmosphere, i.e., the vertical and lateral CO₂ flux from the ecosystem to the atmosphere.
- $NEE = R_e - GPP$
- $NEE = R_a - R_h - GPP$
- $NEE = NPP - R_h$
- - NEE (a net flux to the ecosystem or Carbon SINK)
- + NEE (a net flux to the atmosphere or so Carbon source).
- But, the sign of NEE may be reversed in the literature.

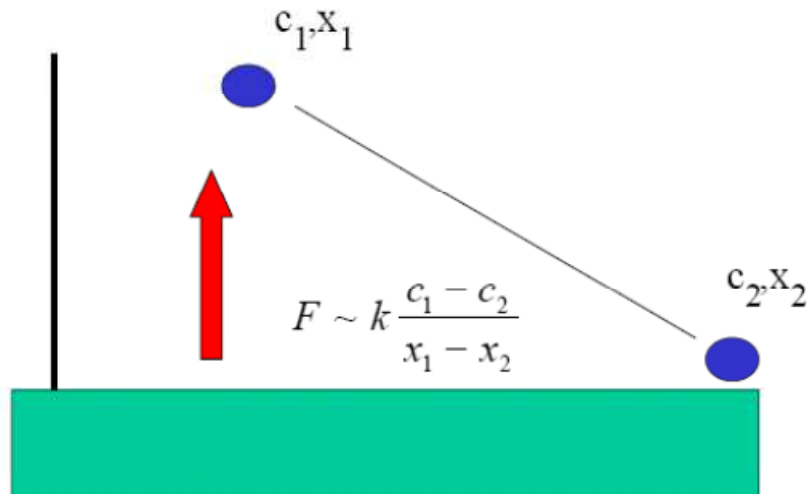
Flux Measurement Methods

- Micrometeorological Methods
 - **Eddy Covariance**
 - **Gradient**
 - **Relaxed Eddy Accumulation**
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In biometeorology, we rely on Fick's Law of Diffusion to quantify the diffusive transfer of matter. Fick's Law of Diffusion states that:

*a chemical species diffuses in the direction of decreasing mole fraction.
the flux density is proportional to a diffusion coefficient and a gradient*

$$(F \sim k \frac{c_1 - c_2}{x_1 - x_2}).$$



- Eddy Covariance
- What is covariance?

$$\text{Covar}(X, Y) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y})$$

$$\text{Co var}(X, Y) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} (x'_i y'_i) = \overline{x' y'}$$

Eddy-Correlation Approach- Working Principle

- Mathematically, "eddy drifts" can be expressed as the multiplication of the vertical wind speed by the

$$F = \overline{\rho_a w s}$$

$$F = \overline{(\bar{\rho}_a + \rho'_a)(\bar{w} + w')(\bar{s} + s')}$$

$$F = \overline{(\bar{\rho}_a \bar{w} \bar{s} + \bar{\rho}_a \bar{w} s' + \bar{\rho}_a w' \bar{s} + \bar{\rho}_a w' s' + \rho'_a \bar{w} \bar{s} + \rho'_a \bar{w} s' + \rho'_a w' \bar{s} + \rho'_a w' s')}$$

$$F = (\bar{\rho}_a \bar{w} \bar{s} + \bar{\rho}_a \overline{w' s'} + \bar{w} \overline{\rho'_a s'} + \bar{s} \overline{\rho'_a w'} + \overline{\rho'_a w' s'}) = \bar{\rho}_a \bar{w} \bar{s} + \bar{\rho}_a \overline{w' s'}$$

$$F \approx \bar{\rho}_a \overline{w' s'}$$

Methods – eddy COVARIANCE

- General

$$F = \overline{\rho_d w' s'}$$

$$F_c = \overline{w' \rho_c'}$$

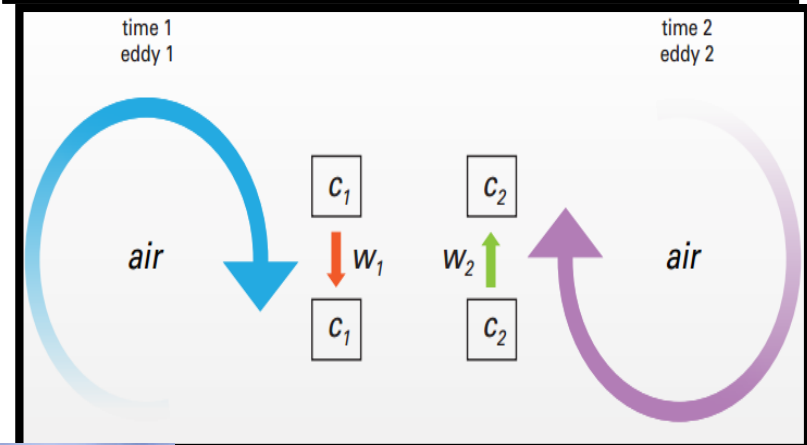
Sensible Heat Flux (H):

$$H = \overline{\rho C_p w' T'}$$

Latent Heat Flux (LE):

$$LE \equiv \lambda E = \lambda \frac{M_w / M_a}{\overline{P}} \overline{\rho_d w' e'}$$

- Fluxes are calculated from covariances of vertical wind speed and gas concentration



Turbulence over a surface

Flux of water vapor >>>> Covariance of w and q
Flux of sensible heat >>>> Covariance of w and T
Flux of CO₂ >>>> Covariance of w and ρ_c

Parameters in Flux Measurement

- **Micrometeorology**
 - PAR, T_a , RH, Wind, Wind Direction, VPD, T_s , CO_2
- **Eddy covariance fluxes**
 - NEE, H, LE, R_n , G
- **Vegetation Characteristics**
 - species, height, age, density, site history,
 - LAI, biomass
- **Soil Characteristics**
 - physical and chemical properties

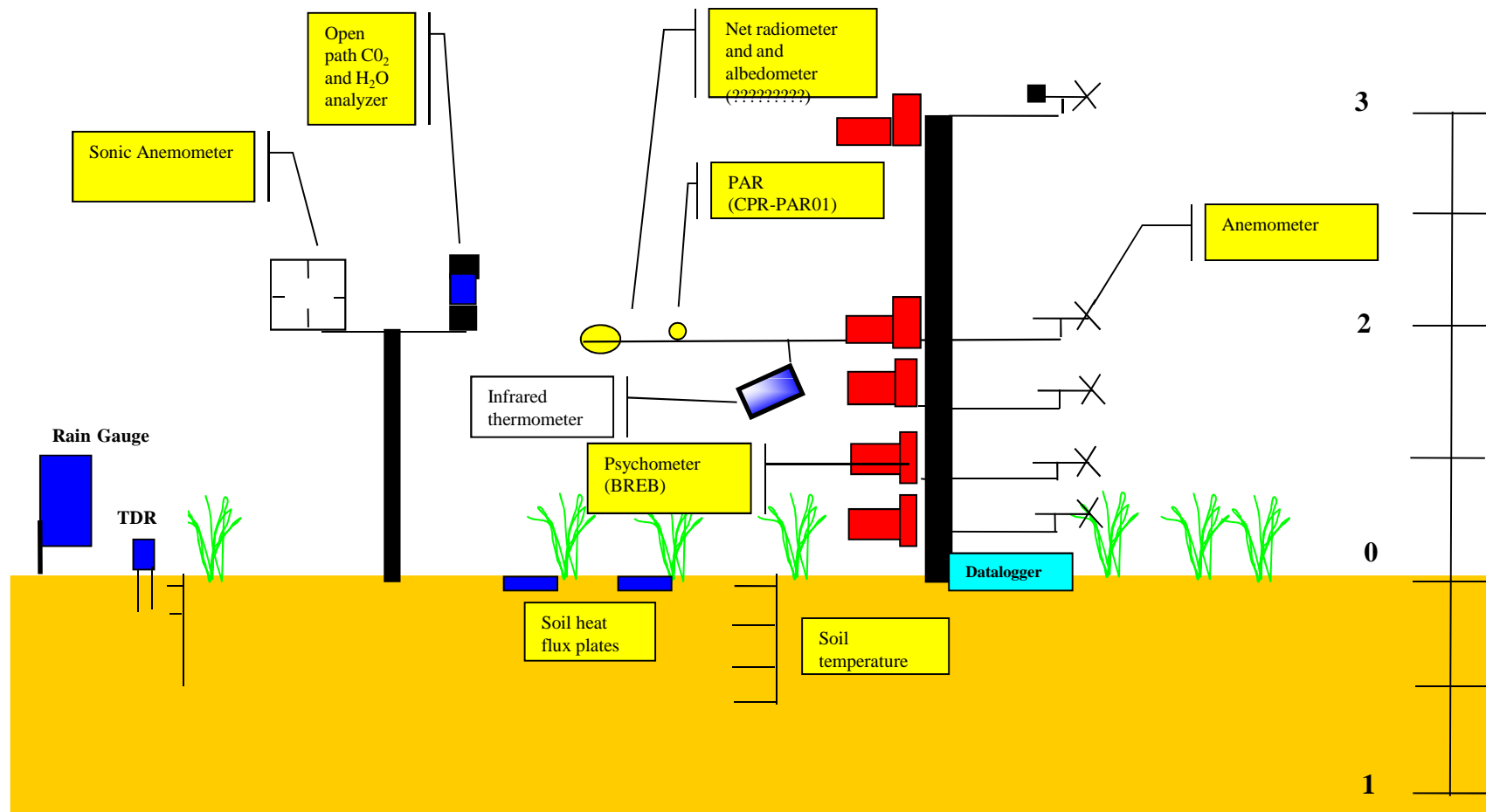
Advantages of EC

- GOOD TIME RESOLUTION (Hz)
- MANY DATA
- REPRESENTS CANOPY FLUXES
- DIRECT MEASUREMENTS
- EVALUATES FLUXES DIFFERENT TIME SCALE
- PROVIDE PROCESS INFORMATION

Disadvantages of EC

- Need a large and smooth area
- Expensive instruments
- Nighttime biases
- Footprint problem
- Not applicable in complex terrain
- Gap filling problem
- Insufficient wind
- Precipitation or sometimes irrigation (for open path sensor)
- Power for pumps (especially problem in the forest for closed path sensor)
- Need many inlets for closed path sensor

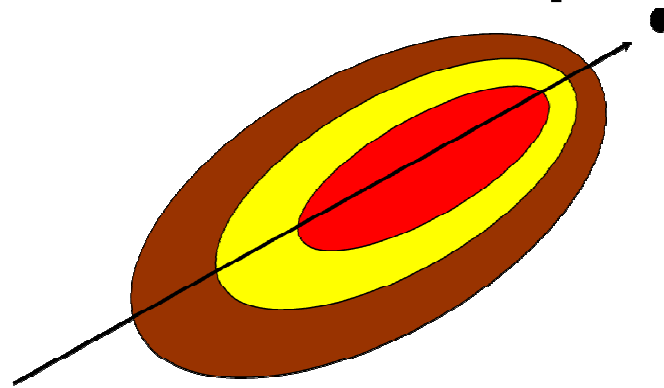
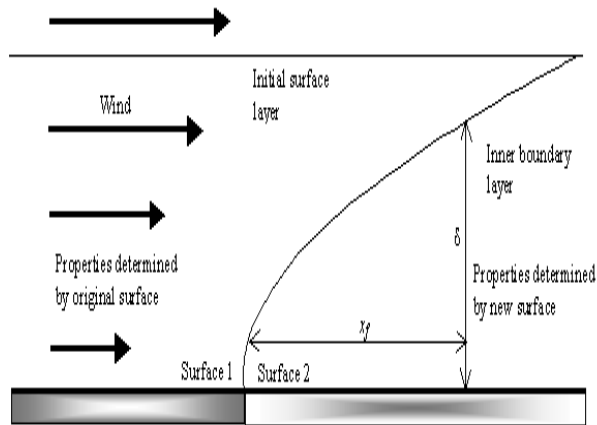
Design of the system



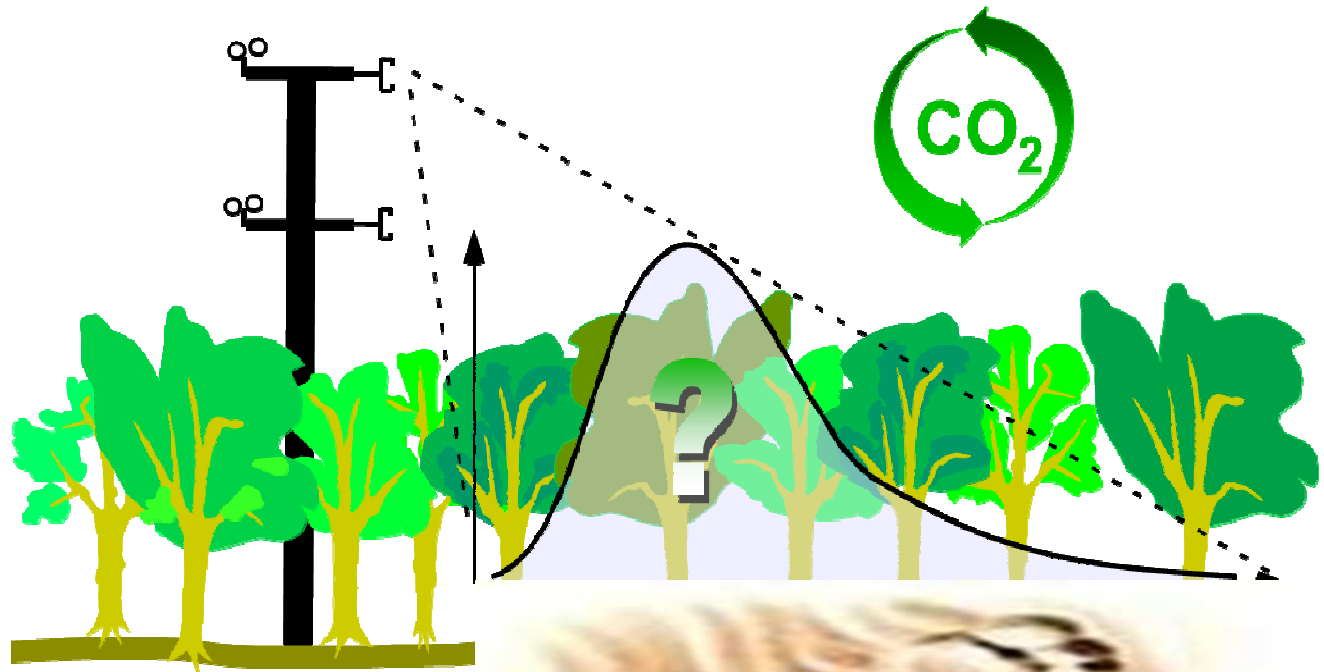
CALIBRATION



Fetch and Footprint



$$x_f / 200 < \delta < x_f / 20$$



(Monteith and Unsworth, 1990)

<http://cloudbase.phy.umist.ac.uk/people/dorsey/Edco.htm>

Typical Shortcomings of EC Measurements:

Closure,
Bad weather conditions (rain,
typhoon, calm wind conditions
during nighttime).
Technical problems,
...

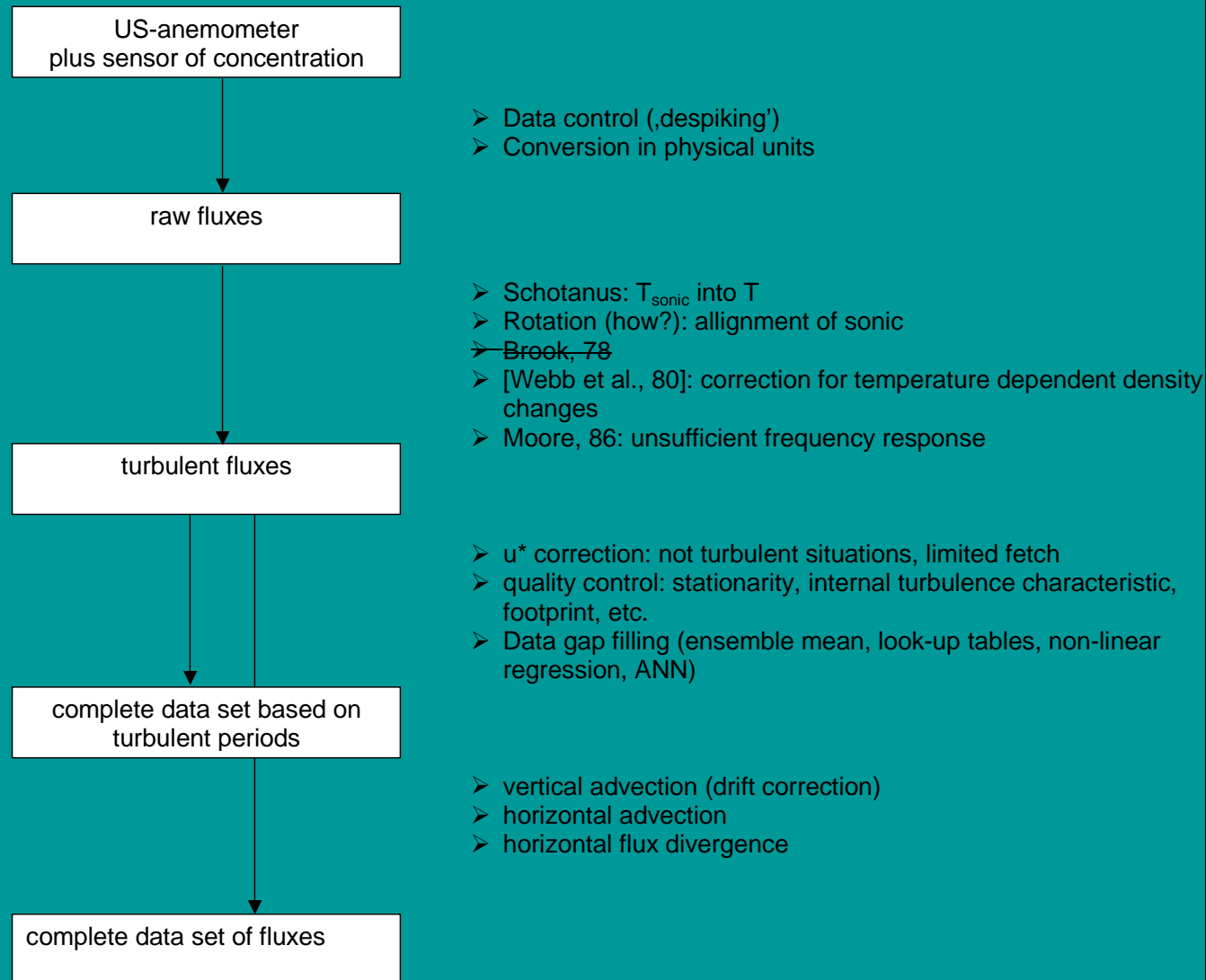
CORRECTION OF EC DATA

- Removal of spiky noises
- TILT CORRECTIONS (Coordinate rotations etc.)
- Webb-Pearman-Leuning equation (WPL)

$$F_c = \overline{w'c'} + 7.386 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot LE + 0.0383 \cdot H$$

Micromol m⁻² s⁻¹

Scheme of Corrections and Data Handling with Eddy Covariance



Results (annual budgets) depend (i) on the suitability of the site, (ii) on all elements of the measurement chain, (iii) on methods applied during data handling, and (iv) on methods applied for data gap filling.

GAP filling

– Gap filling (Nighttime)

Ecosystem respiration (R_e) is modeled using nighttime fits of NEE to 2 cm soil temperature (or air temperature) when there is sufficient turbulence ($U^* > 0.1$).

- Daytime R_e

We can then calculate daytime R_e using the fits.

-Missing flux data can then be filled using a sum of the estimated gross fluxes if T and PAR are available.

Filling Daytime Data Gap

- (Falge et al., 2001).

$$NEE = \frac{GPP_{\max} \alpha PPFD}{\alpha PPFD + GPP_{\max}} + R_e$$

Filling Nighttime Data Gap

- Lloyd and Taylor (1994)

$$R_{e,night} = R_{e,T_{ref}} e^{[(E_0 / (T_{ref} - T_0)) - (E_0 / (T_{s2} - T_0))]}$$

where, $R_{e,night}$, is the night time ecosystem respiration, $R_{e,T_{ref}}$, simulated R_e at a soil temperature of 10 °C (in K), T_{s2} is the soil temperature in a depth of 2 cm (in K), E_0 and T_0 are fitted parameters are 308.56 K and 227.13 K, respectively (Falge et al., 2001).

We are measuring CO₂ fluxes above crops since 2009.





purpose



it is aimed to

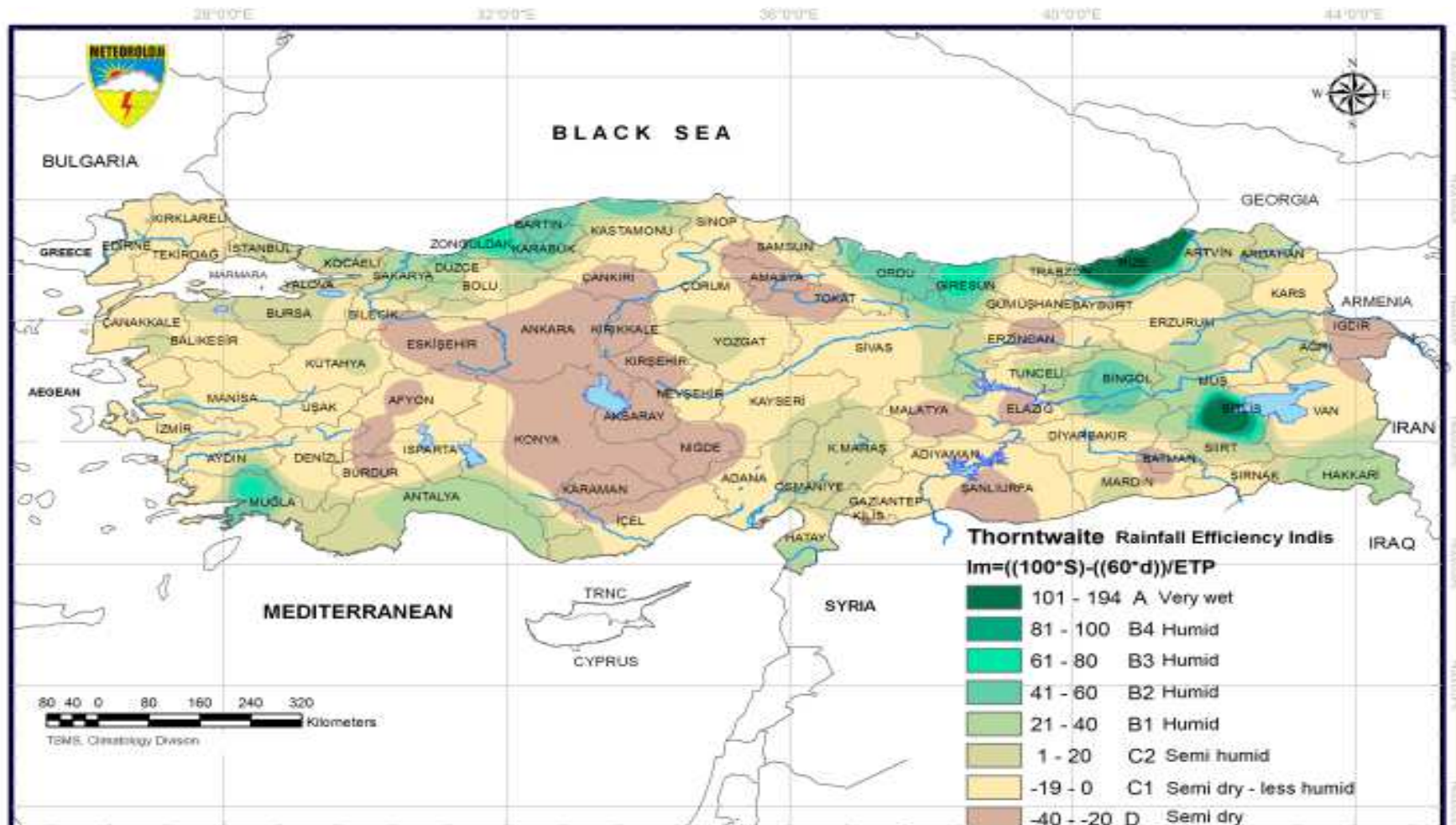
- (i) MEASURE AND ESTIMATE THE VARIATION OF THE CO₂ FLUXES BY MEANS OF THE NEE, GPP AND R_E OF WINTER WHEAT OVER TWO GROWING PERIODS BY EC METHOD FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE CONSIDERED REGION;**
- (ii) DETERMINE THE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN CUMULATED CO₂ FLUXES AND VEGETATION DYNAMICS SUCH AS BIOMASS, LEAF AREA INDEX (LAI), NORMALIZED DIFFERENCE VEGETATION INDEX (NDVI); AND**
- (iii) INVESTIGATE THE PHENOLOGICAL PERIOD WHICH PLAYS MAJOR ROLE IN CARBON EXCHANGE.**

LAND RESOURCES (million ha)

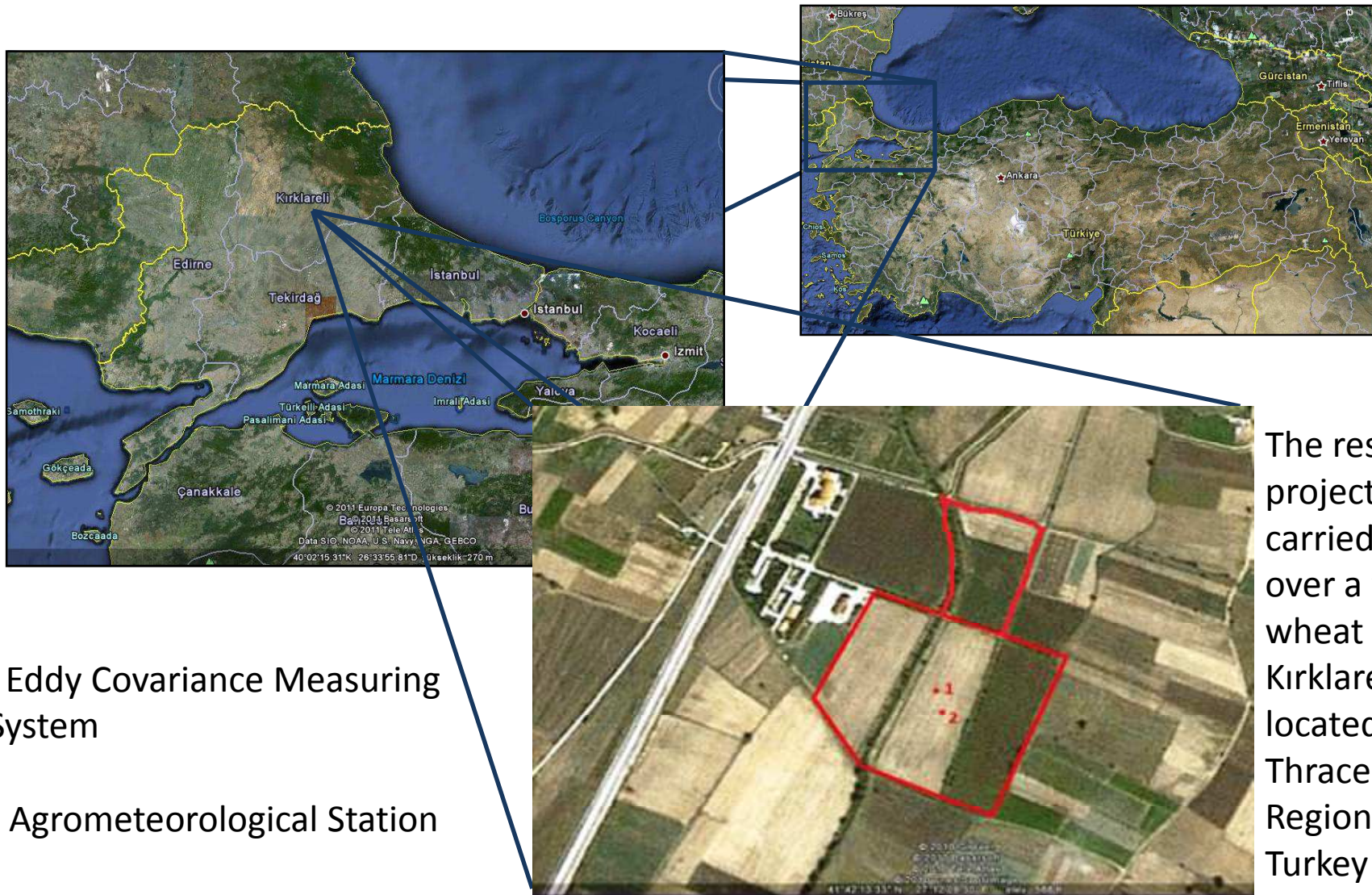
- Area of Turkey77.95
- Agricultural Land28.05
- Irrigable Land25.85
- Economically irrigable land.....8.50
- Irrigated Landapprox. 5.20

Mean (arithmetic) Annual Precipitation ..
646 mm

- 501 billion m³ Precipitation
- 274 billion m³ Evapotranspiration
- 186 billion m³ Surface flow
- 41 billion m³ Infiltration



Research Area -Site Description



The research project was carried out over a winter wheat field in Kırklareli city located in the Thrace Region of Turkey

¹ Eddy Covariance Measuring System

² Agrometeorological Station

Experiments and Observations

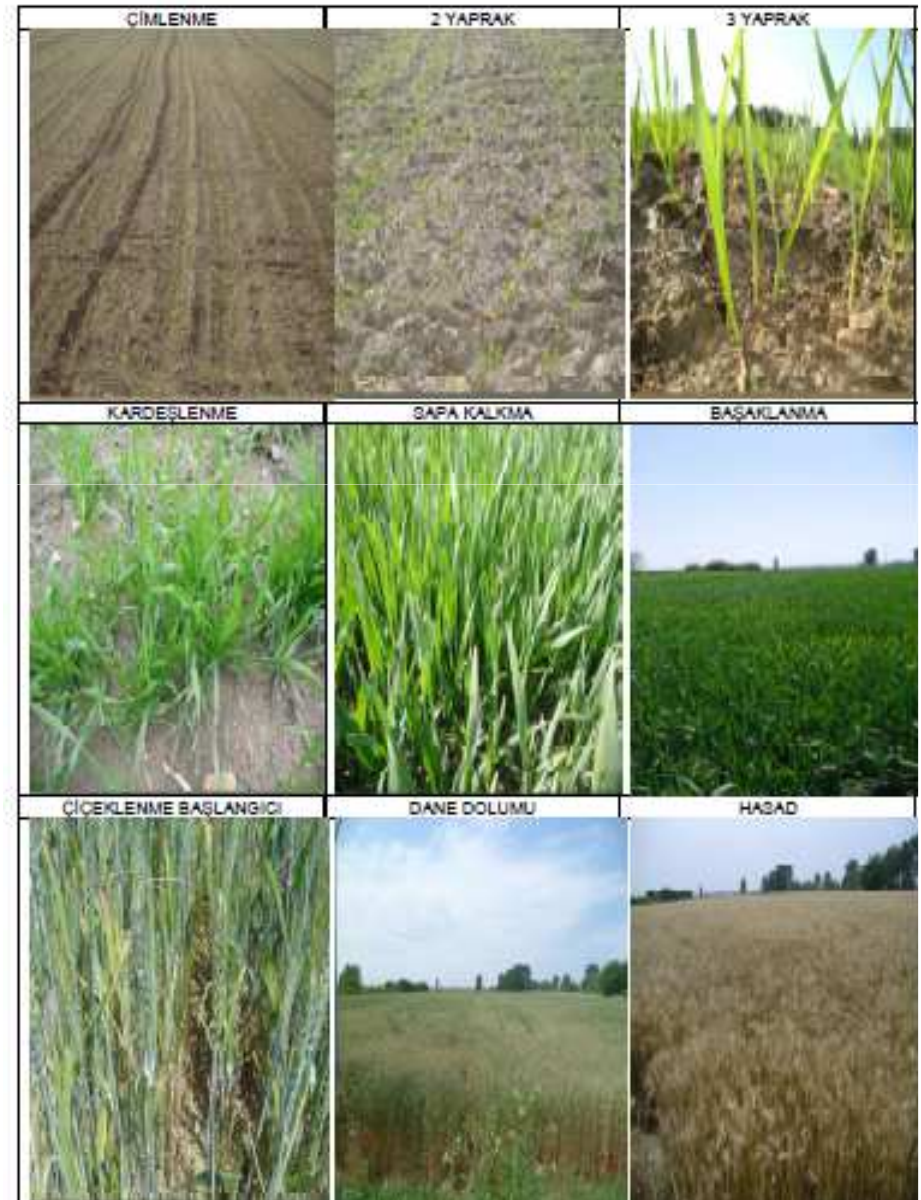


Table 1. Phenological development of winter wheat during two growing periods.

Phenological stages	2009-2010 Growing period	2010-2011 Growing period
Planting	Oct 9 th , 2009	Oct 25 th , 2010
Emergency	Oct 17 th , 2009	Nov 5 th , 2010
Second leaf	Oct 21 st , 2009	Nov 10 th , 2010
Third leaf	Oct 26 th , 2009	Nov 15 th , 2010
Tillering	Nov 25 th , 2009	Dec 7 th , 2010
Stem elongation	Mar 31 st , 2010	Mar 29 th , 2011
Earing	Apr 26 th , 2010	May 10 th , 2011
Flowering	May 10 th , 2010	May 19 th , 2011
Grain filling	May 24 th , 2010	Jun 1 st , 2011
Maturity	Jun 4 th , 2010	Jun 13 th , 2011
Harvest	Jul 6 th , 2010	Jul 8 th , 2011

Table 2. Major agricultural management activities during 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 growing periods.

Applications	Growing period of 2009-2010	Amount	Growing period of 2010-2011	Amount
Fertilization	Oct 9 th , 2009	46 kgN ha ⁻¹	Oct 25 th , 2010	46 kgN ha ⁻¹
Fertilization	Mar 3 rd , 2010	69 kgN ha ⁻¹	Feb 11 th , 2011	69 kgN ha ⁻¹
Fertilization	Apr 8 th , 2010	82.5 kgN ha ⁻¹	Mar 25 th , 2011	49.5 kgN ha ⁻¹
Herbicide treatment	Nov 26 th , 2009	0.750 l ha ⁻¹	Nov 2 nd , 2010	3 l ha ⁻¹
Fungicide treatment	Mar 2 nd , 2010	1 l ha ⁻¹	Mar 28 th , 2011	1 l ha ⁻¹
Fungicide treatment	May 5 th , 2010	0.6 kg ha ⁻¹	May 16 th , 2011	0.6 kg ha ⁻¹

Measurements

➤ Agricultural Meteorological Station Measurements;

To examine the EC measurements simultaneously with meteorological variables like;

maximum, minimum and mean temperatures, relative humidity (Hygrometer MP100A, Rotronic Instrument Crop),

wind speed and direction at 0.5, 1, 2, 5, 10 m level (NRG #40C Anemometer and NRG #200P Wind Direction Wane, NRG Systems),

global solar radiation (CMP3, Kipp&Zonen),

net radiation (NR LITE, Kipp&Zonen),

soil temperature at 2, 5, 10 and 20 cm level,

soil water content at 0-30, 30-60 and 60-90 cm (CS 616 TDR type, Campbell Scientific)

were also measured during the experiment period.

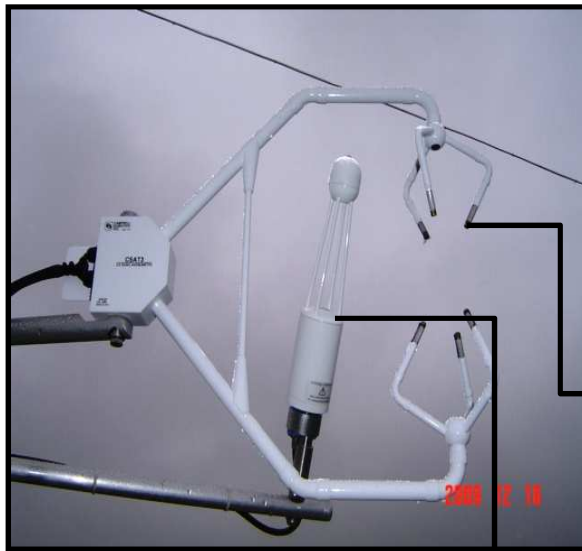
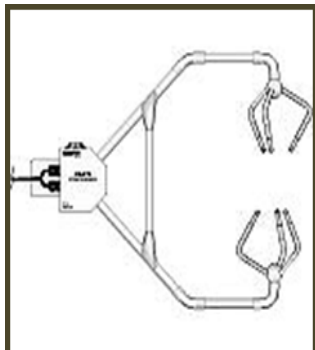
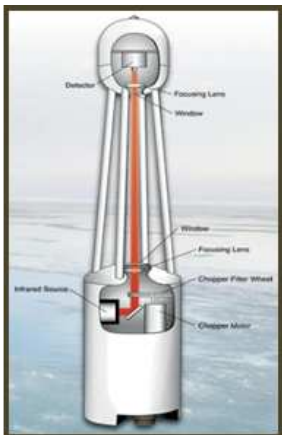
➤ Eddy Covariance Station Measurements;

EC measurements were conducted using two types of sensors; namely a 3D sonic anemometer (CSAT3, Campbell Scientific) and an infrared gas analyzer (LI-7500, LI_COR Biosciences) in a temporal resolution of 10 Hz.



Eddy covariance system

- High Frequency Measurements (10 Hz)
- 30 min averaged data



3D sonic anemometer

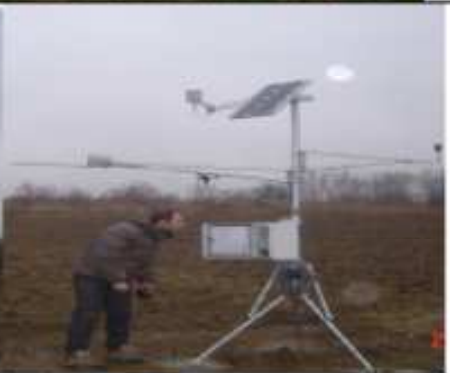
Infrared Gas Analyzer (IRGA)

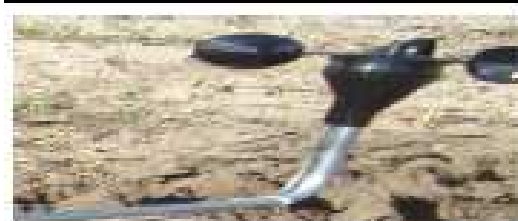
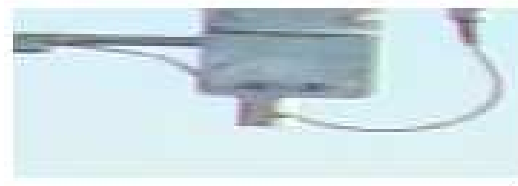
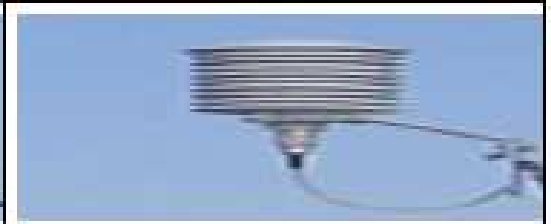
EC SYSTEM



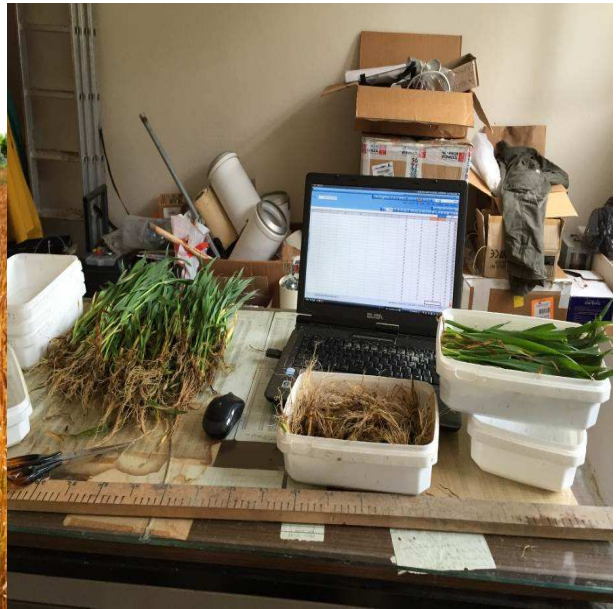
Measurements







FIELD studies





Flux Corrections, Gap filling and Flux Partitioning

During the data processing;

- Spike Removal
 - Frequency Response
 - WPL (Webb, Pearman, Leuning)
 - Coordinate Rotation Corrections
- have been applied to the EC data set.



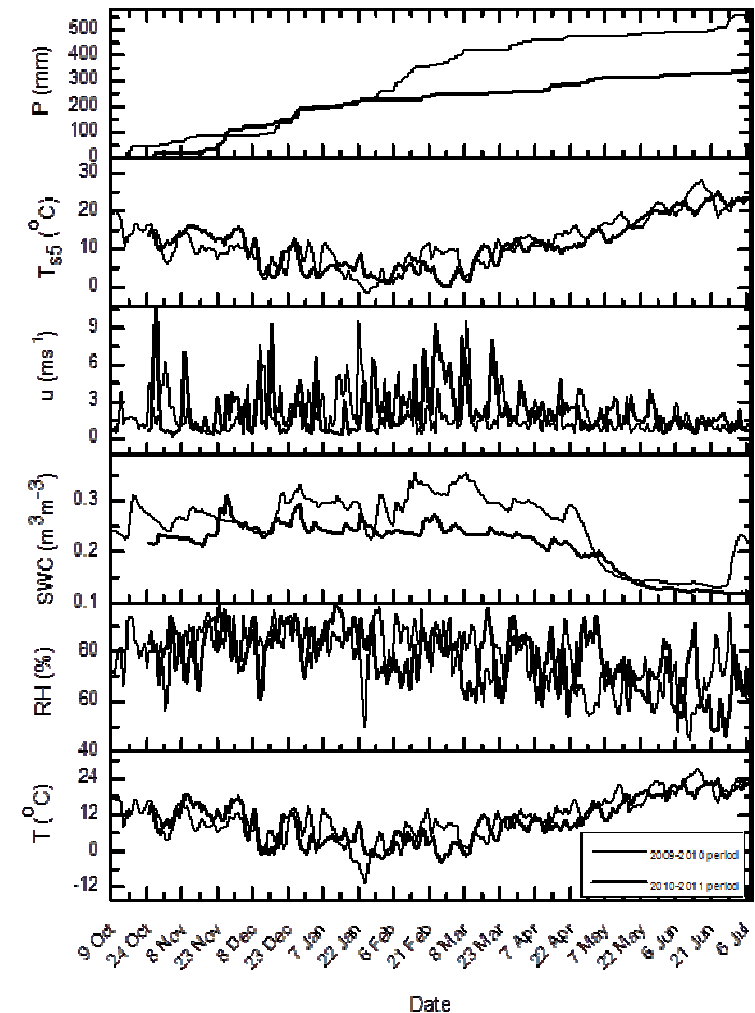
$$NEE = R_{eco} - GPP$$

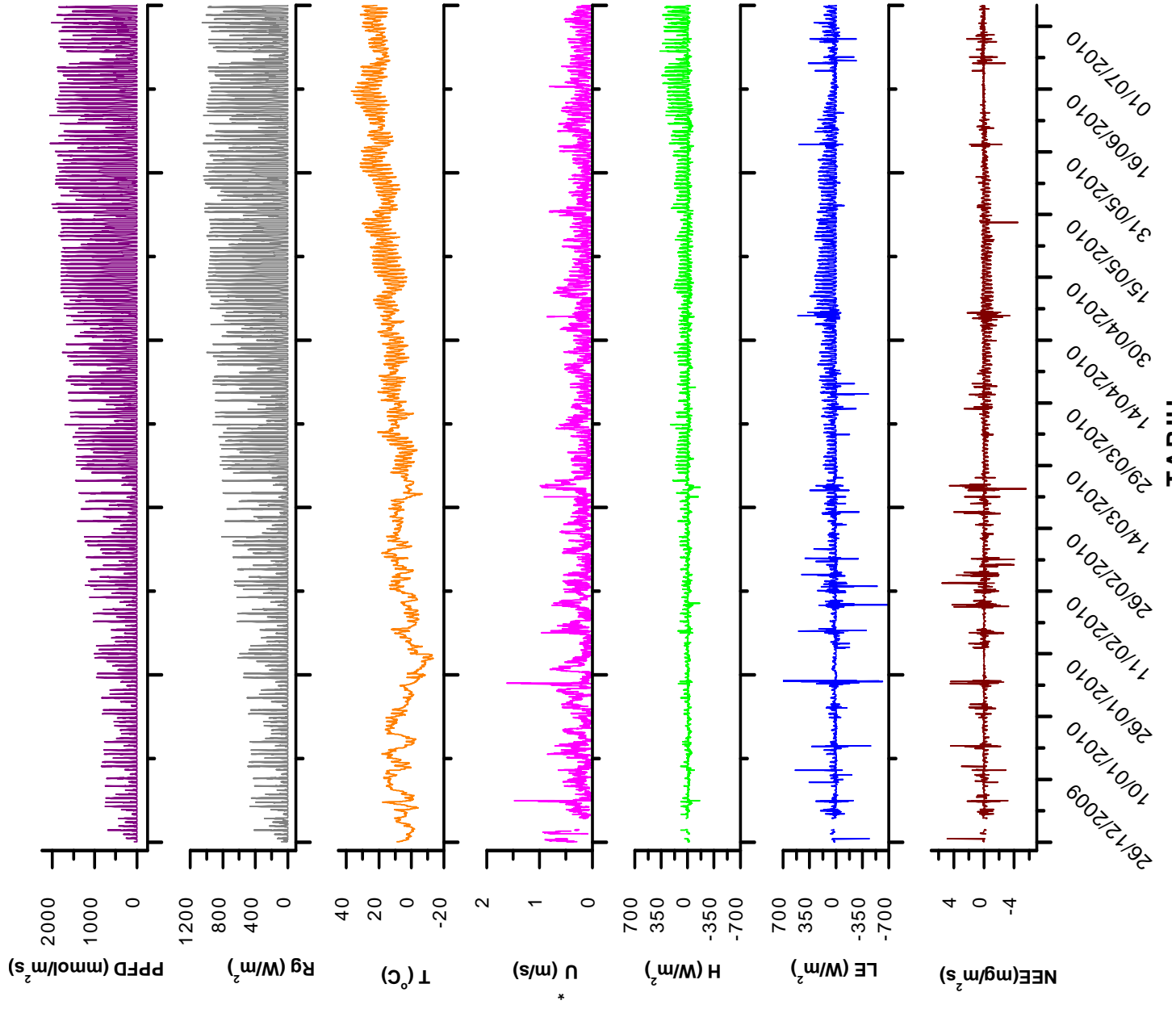
Gap filling and flux partitioning of EC data have been done according to the methods which are explained by Reichstein et al. (2005) and Falge (2001).

RESULTS&DISCUSSION

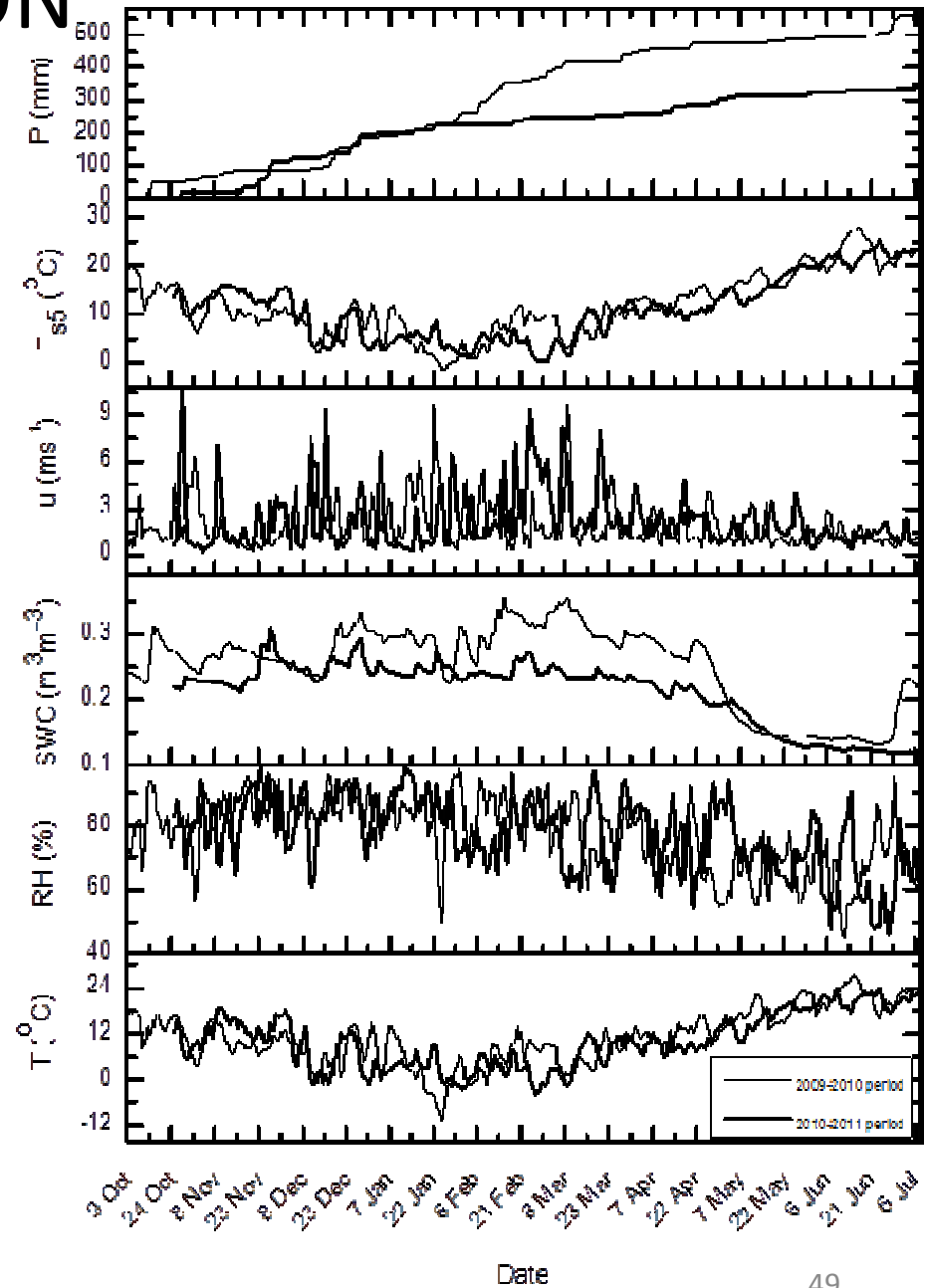
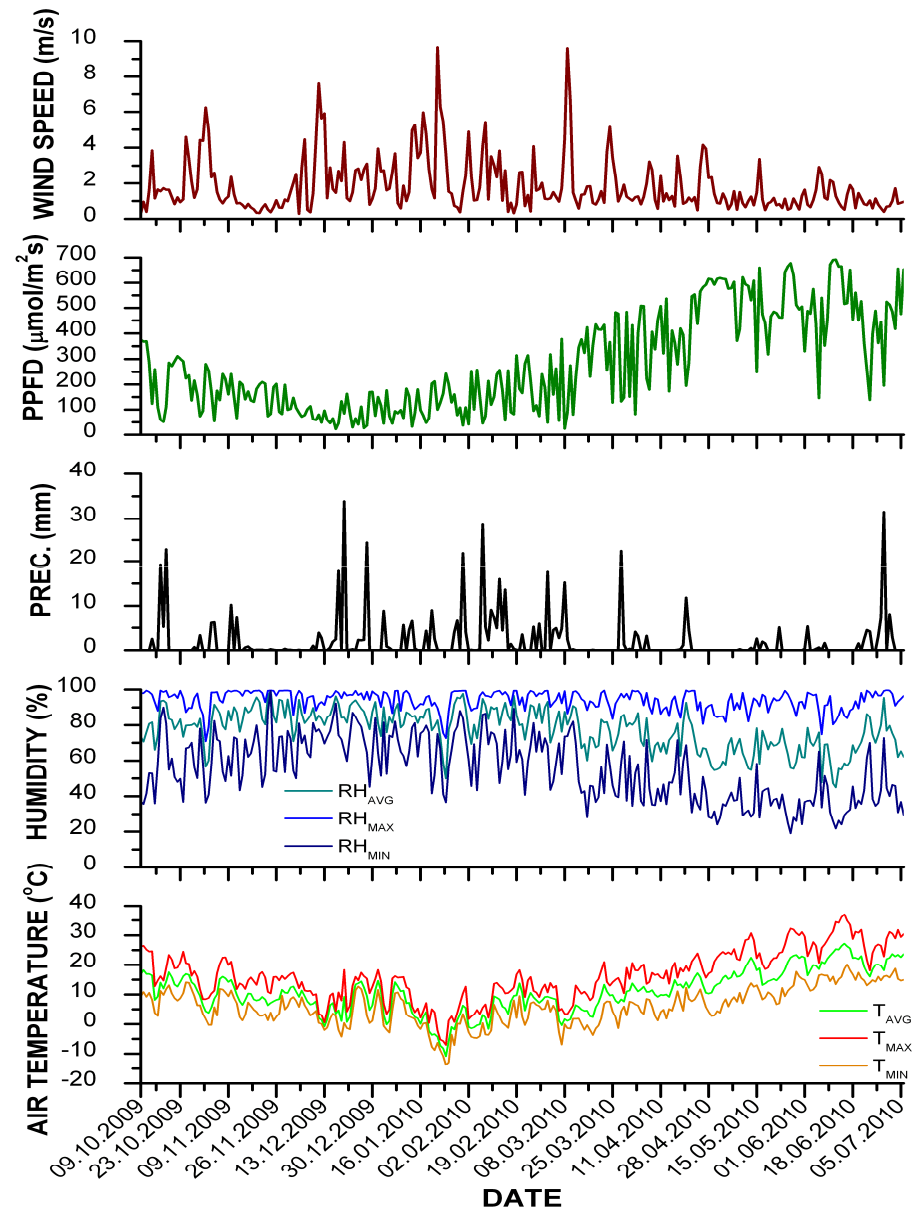
Table 3. Statistics of meteorological variables for two growing seasons of winter wheat.

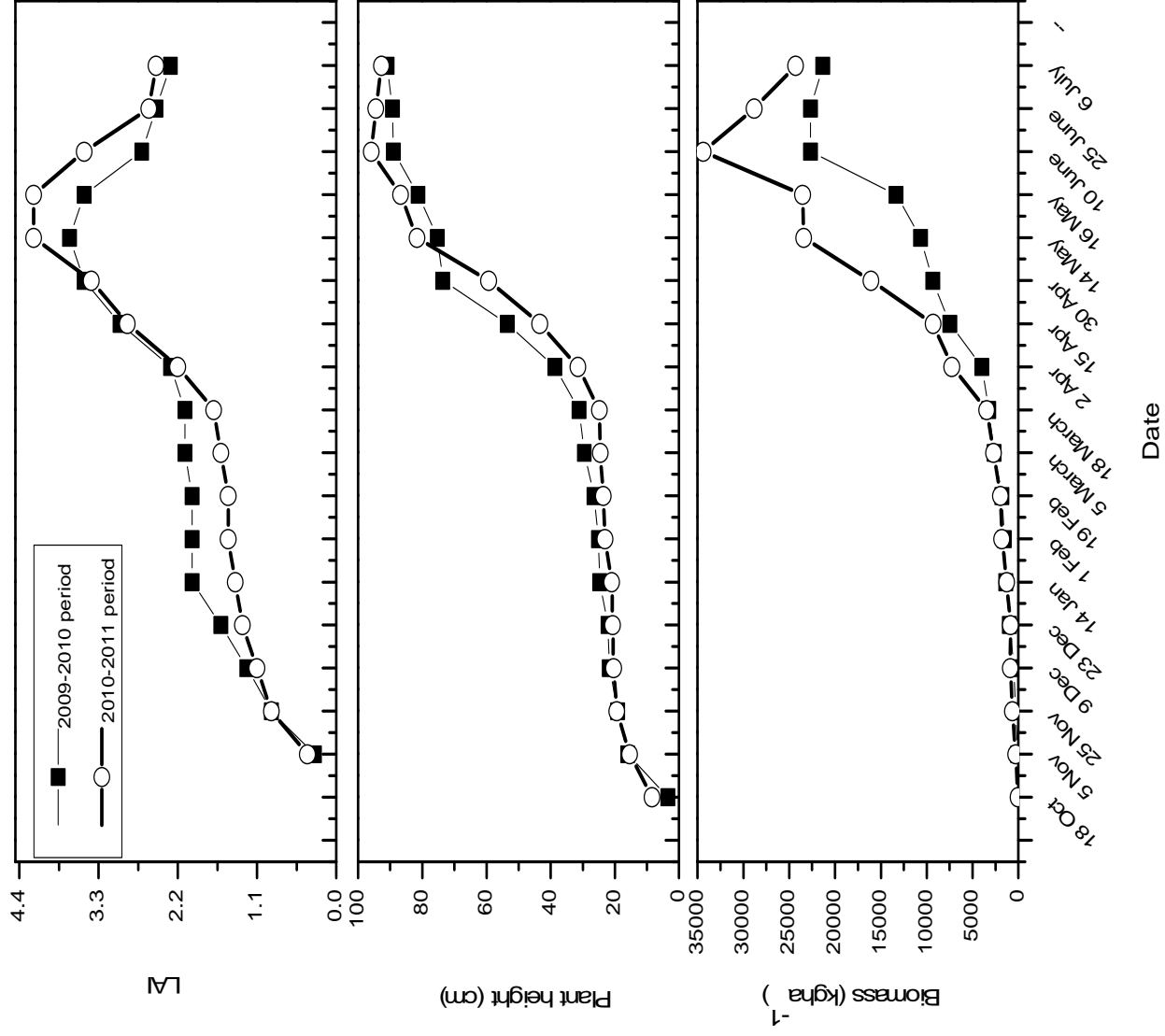
Meteorological variables	Growing period of 2009-2010			Growing period of 2010-2011		
	Daily Ave.	Max	Min	Daily Ave.	Max	Min
Air Temperature at 2 m (°C)	11.0	27.2	-10.8	10.0	23.6	-3.8
Maximum air temperature at 2 m (°C)	16.4	37.1	-7.0	15.5	33.02	-2.4
Minimum air temperature at 2 m (°C)	6.0	20.2	-13.7	5.0	16.6	-7.7
Global solar radiation (W m ⁻²)	148.5	357.0	10.8	156.6	367.0	13.6
Net Radiation (W m ⁻²)	61.7	207.2	-32.7	65.7	211.4	-21.73
Photosynthetic Photon Flux Density (μmol m ⁻² s ⁻¹)	279.2	692.3	22.8	284.2	688.4	28.7
Soil heat flux (G) (W m ⁻²)	-1.35	26.15	-29.05	-2.5	14.5	-39.1
Volumetric soil water content (SWC) at 0-30 cm (m ³ m ⁻³)	0.25	0.36	0.13	0.21	0.31	0.12
Volumetric soil water content (SWC) at 30-60 cm (m ³ m ⁻³)	0.27	0.40	0.14	0.24	0.34	0.15
Volumetric soil water content (SWC) at 60-90 cm (m ³ m ⁻³)	0.31	0.42	0.18	0.31	0.39	0.24
Wind speed at 2 m (m s ⁻¹)	1.8	9.7	0.3	2.2	11.1	0.2
Soil temperature at 2 cm (°C) (T _{s2cm})	12.0	28.4	-2.4	11.1	25.7	0.2
Soil temperature at 5 cm (°C) (T _{s5cm})	11.9	27.9	-1.5	11.1	25.2	0.5

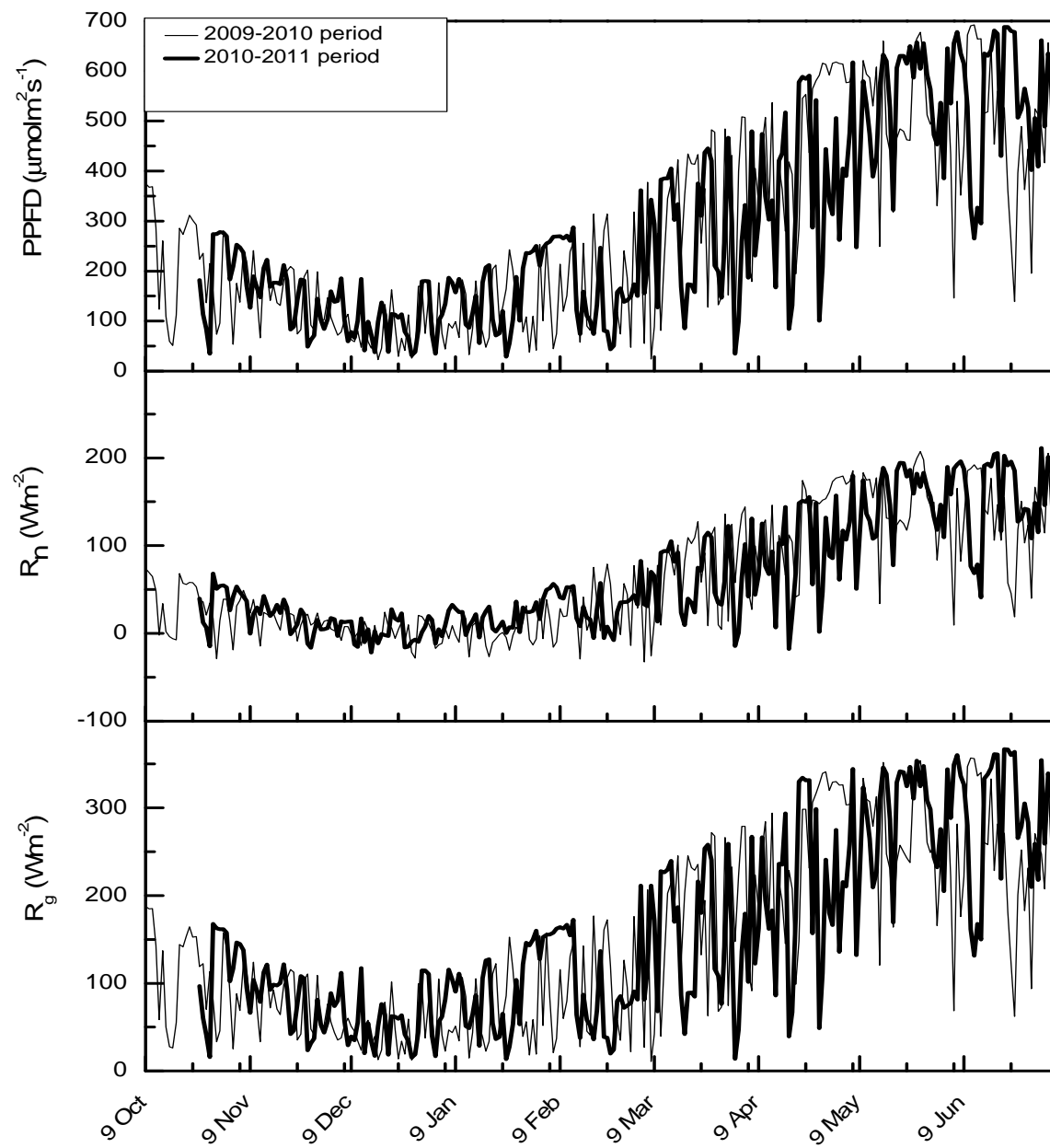




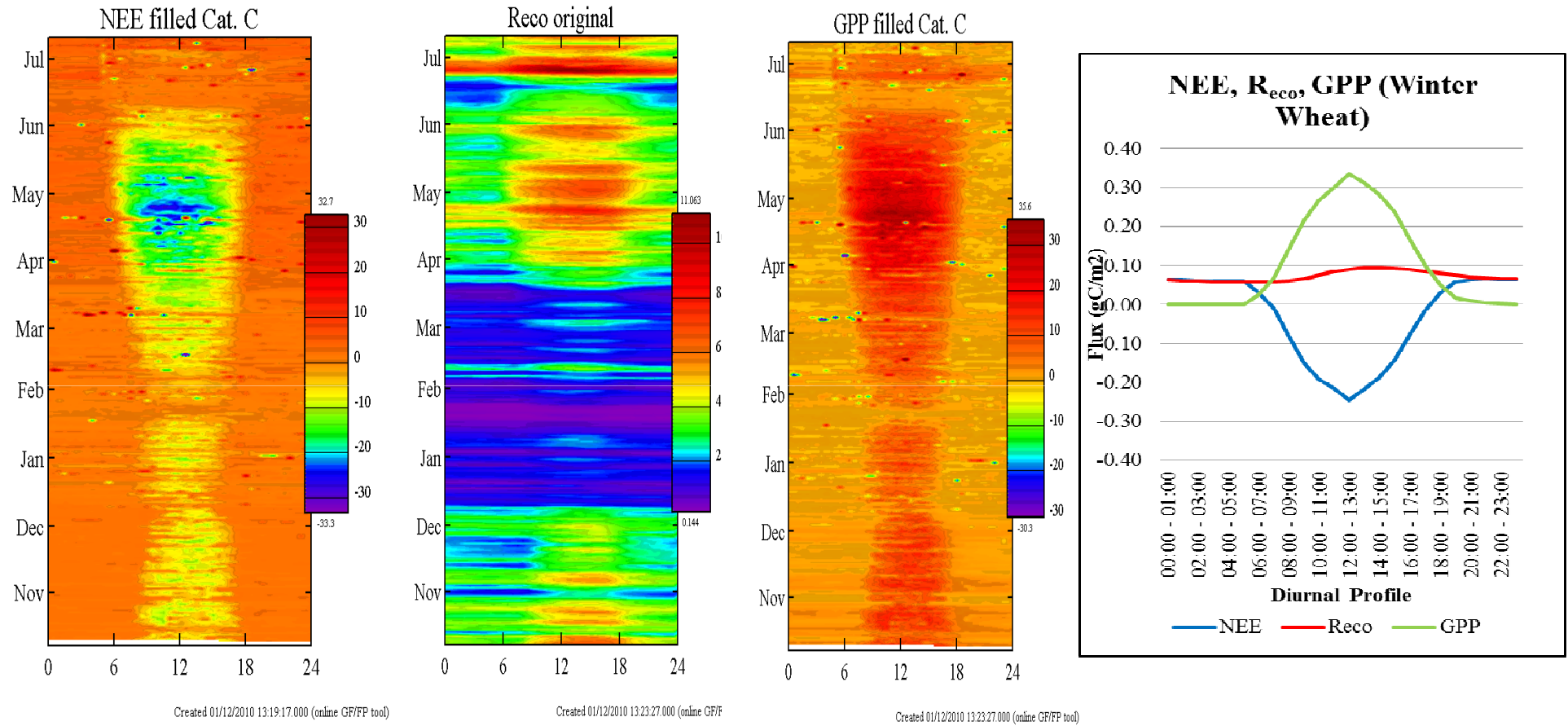
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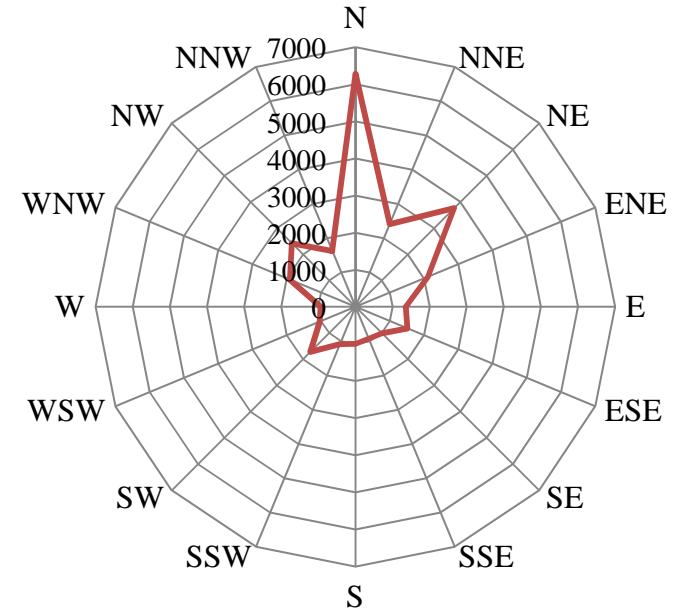
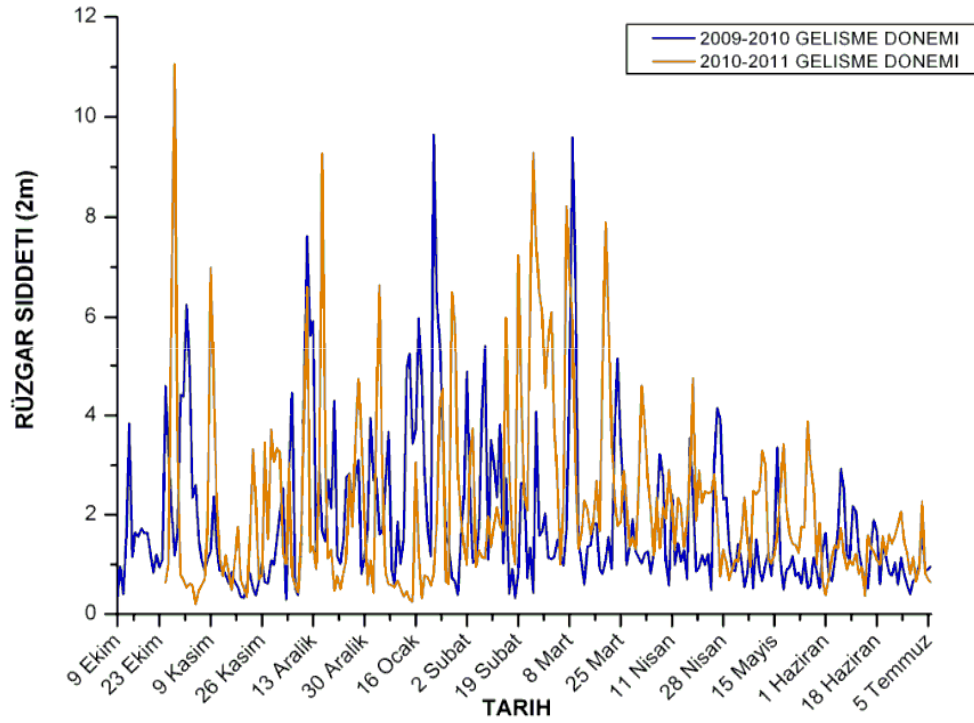


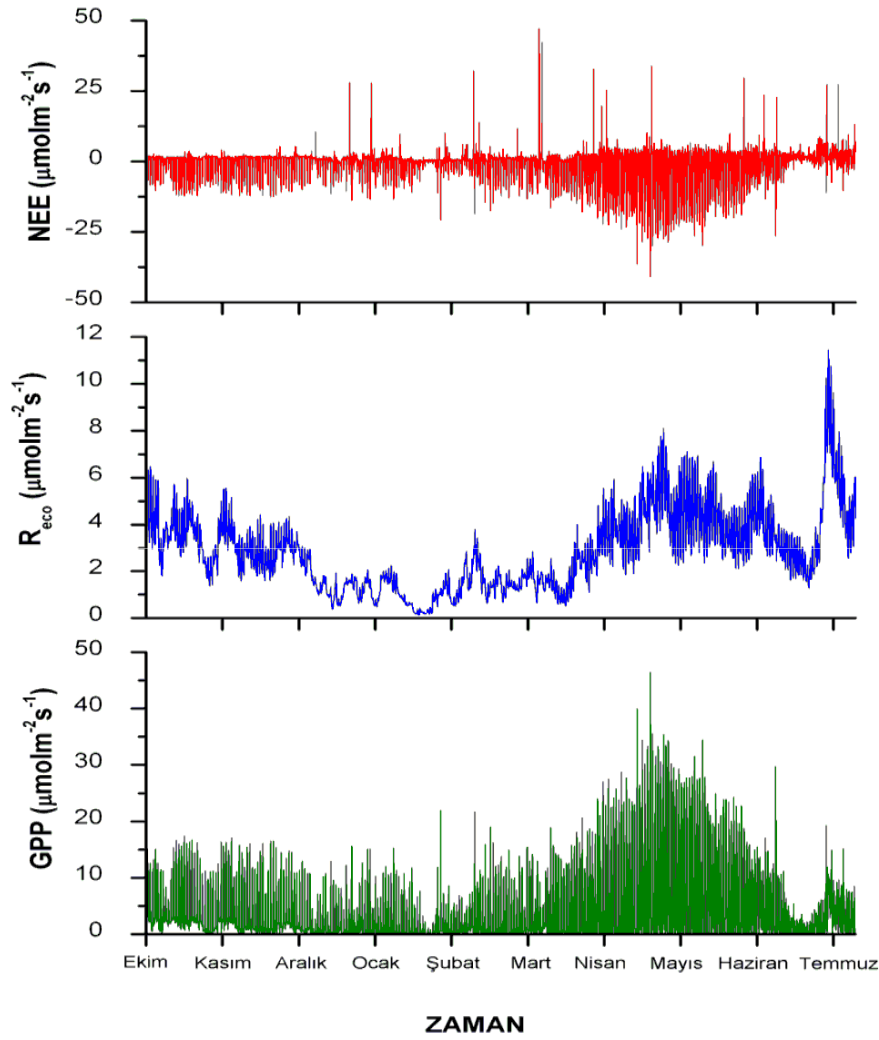


1st Growing Season of Winter Wheat

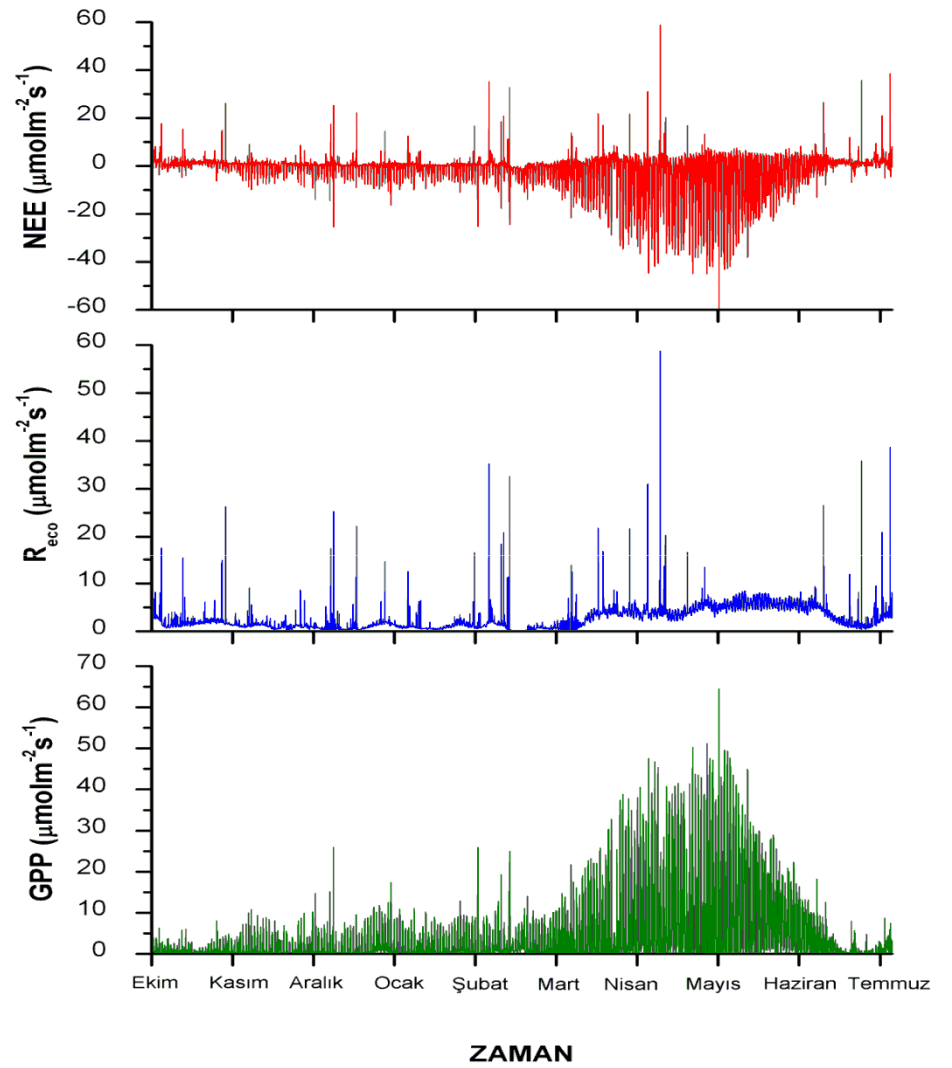


Wind speed and direction



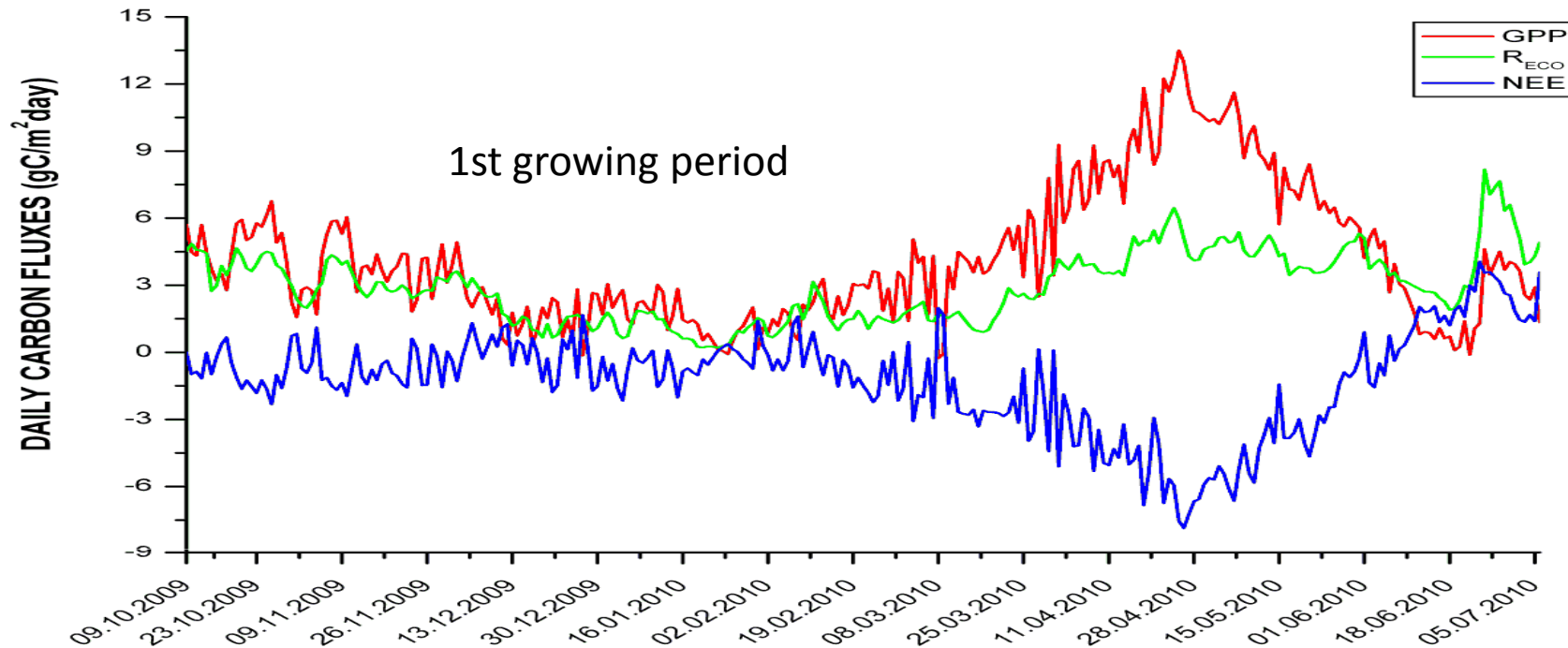


1st growing period



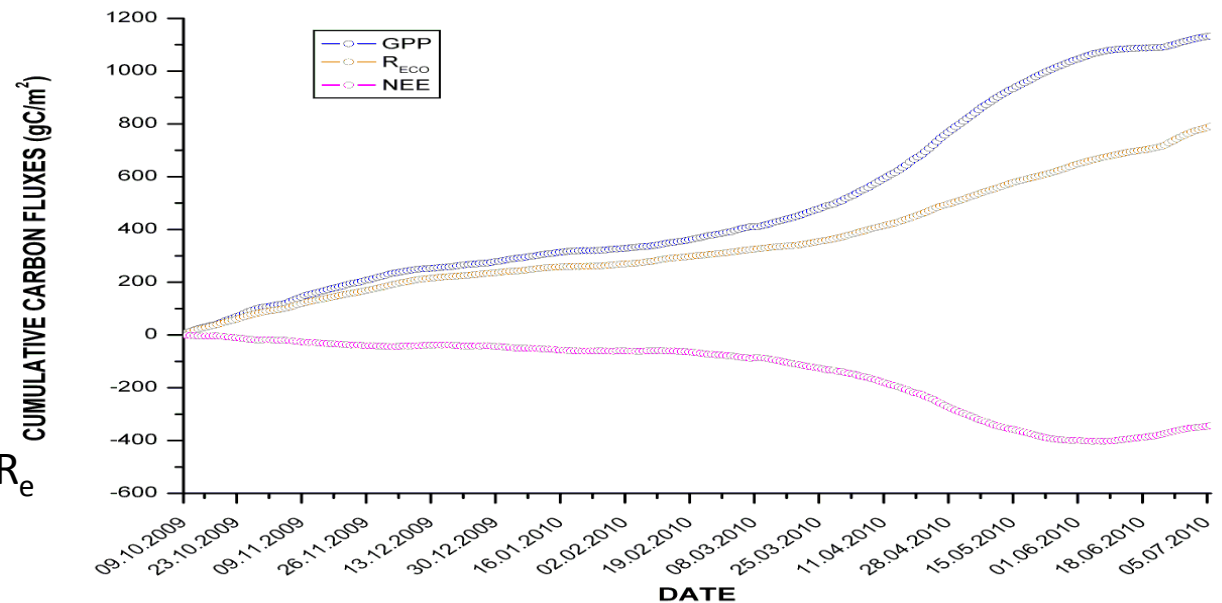
2nd growing period

RESULTS & DISCUSSION

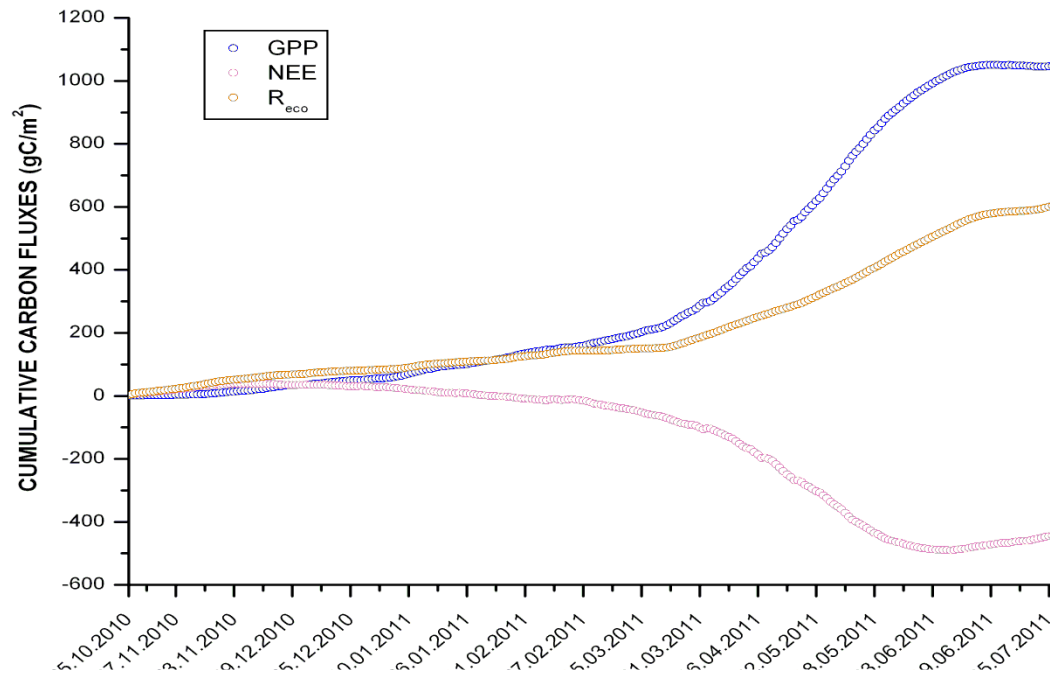
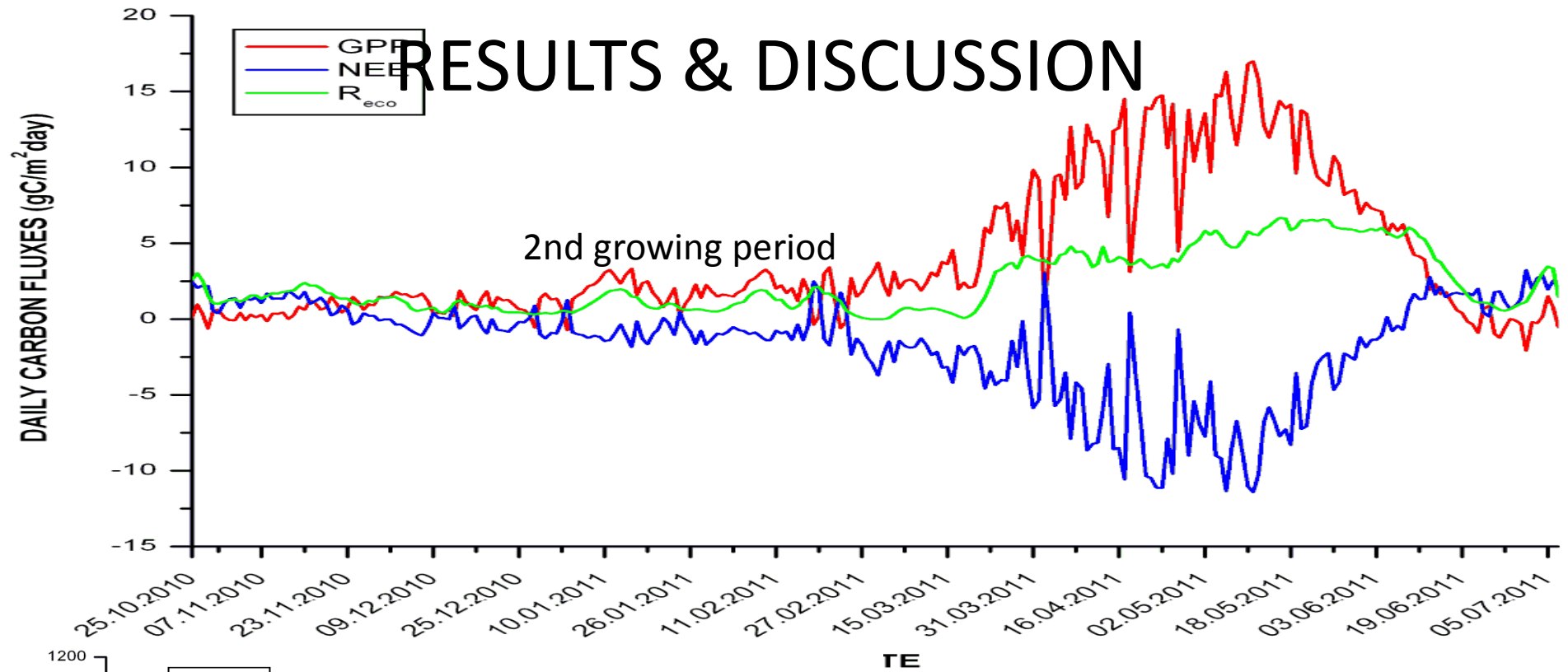


NEE (gC/m ²)	GPP (gC/m ²)	Reco (gC/m ²)
-359.9	1142.2	787.3

Daily averages of NEE, GPP and R_e
 -1.31 , 4.21 and 2.91 gC m⁻²,



RESULTS & DISCUSSION



NEE (gC/m^2)	GPP (gC/m^2)	Reco (gC/m^2)
-441.3	1046.8	605.5

NEE, GPP and R_e
-1.72, 4.09 and 2.37 gC m^{-2} .

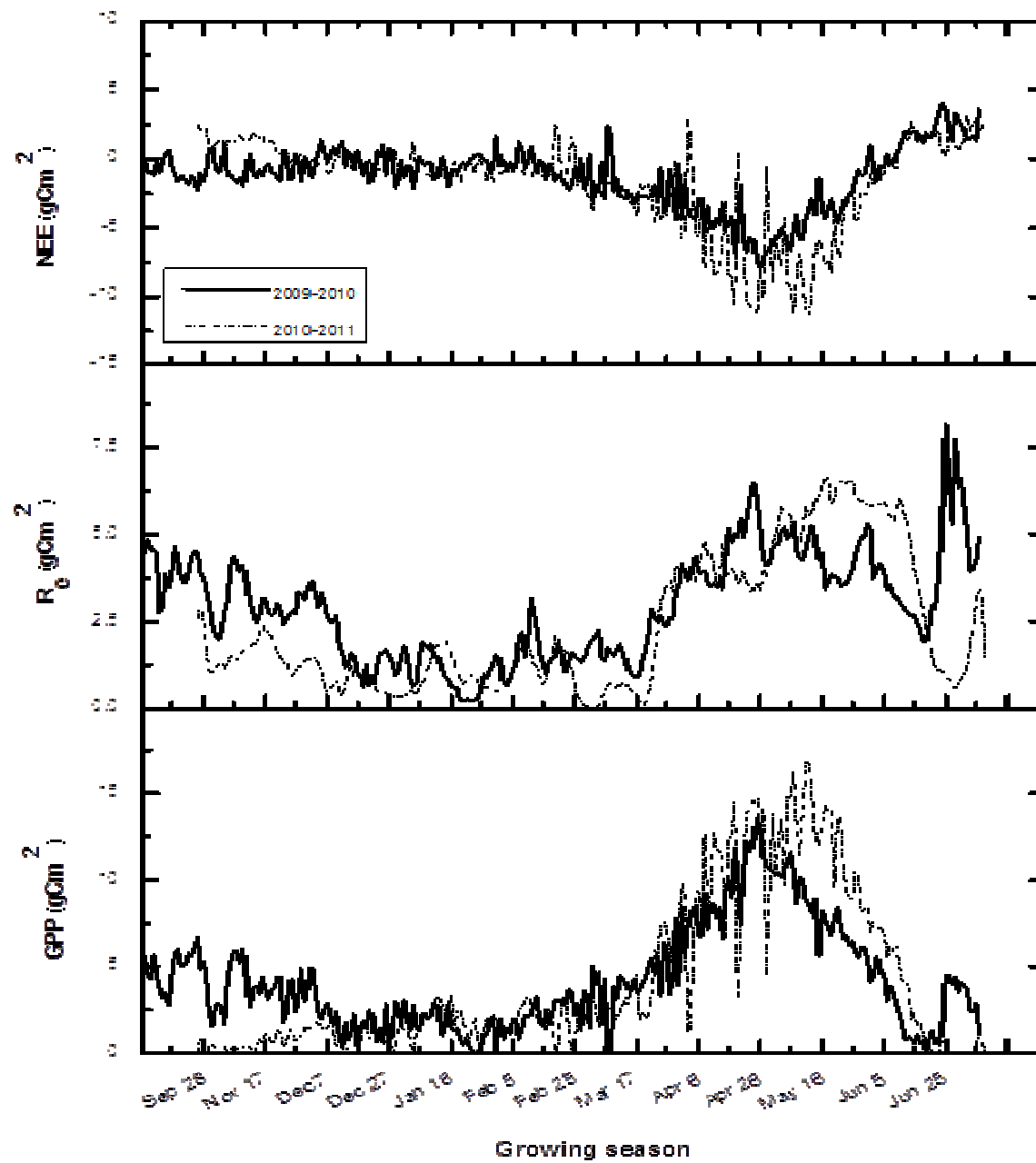


Table 4. Variation of cumulative (Σ) GPP, R_e and NEE during the phenological stages of the first growing period.

Phenological stages	Σ GPP (gC m^{-2}) *	ΣR_e (gC m^{-2}) *	Σ NEE (gC m^{-2}) *
Sowing-Emergence	35.05 (3.1%)	32.47 (4.1%)	-3.90 (0.8%)
Emergence-3 rd leaf	46.61 (4.1%)	36.54 (4.6%)	-10.07 (2.2%)
3 rd leaf-Tillering	117.65 (10.3%)	93.67 (11.9%)	-23.99 (5.2%)
Beginning of Tillering- Beginning of Stem Elongation	310.39 (27.2%)	205.04 (26.0%)	-105.35 (22.7%)
Beginning of Stem Elongation- Earing	230.51 (20.2%)	115.21 (14.6%)	-115.31 (24.9%)
Earing-Flowering	150.12 (13.1%)	66.15 (8.4%)	-83.97 (18.1%)
Flowering-Grain Filling	110.59 (9.7%)	58.20 (7.4%)	-52.39 (11.3%)
Grain Filling-Maturity	62.76 (5.5%)	48.54 (6.2%)	-14.21 (3.1%)
Maturity-Harvest	78.50 (6.9%)	132.83 (16.7%)	54.33 (11.7%)**

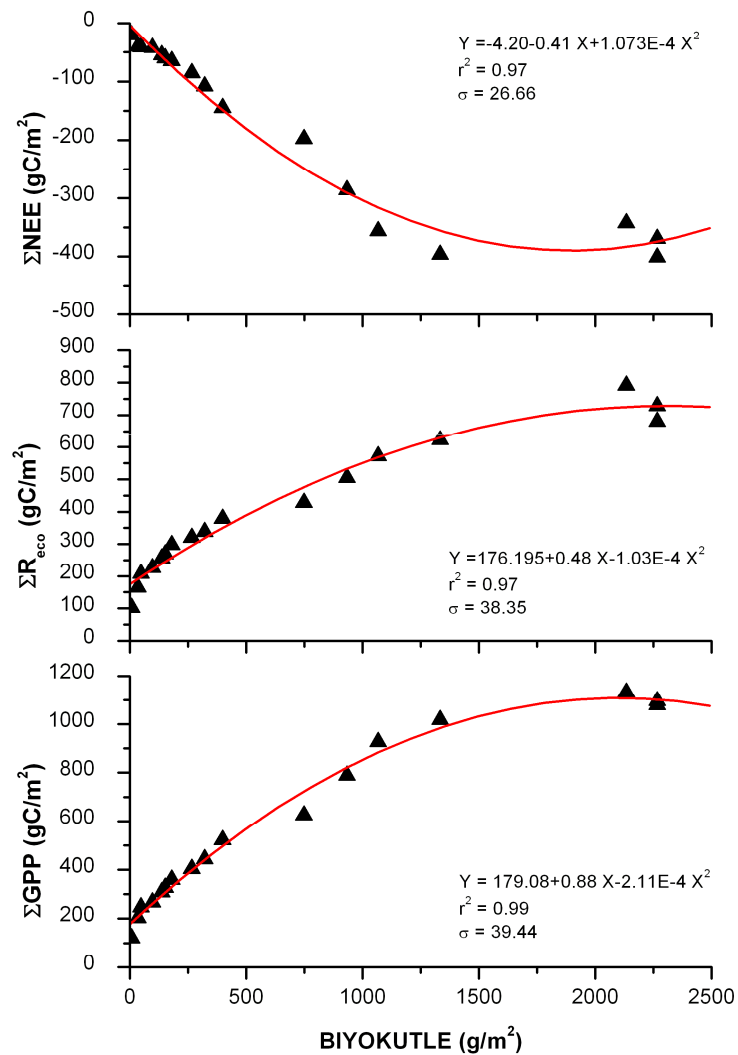
*Percentages given in brackets show the ratios of the cumulative fluxes in each corresponding phenological stage to their totals in the corresponding growing season.

**In this phenological stage, ΣR_e is greater than Σ GPP, so Σ NEE is positive (release).

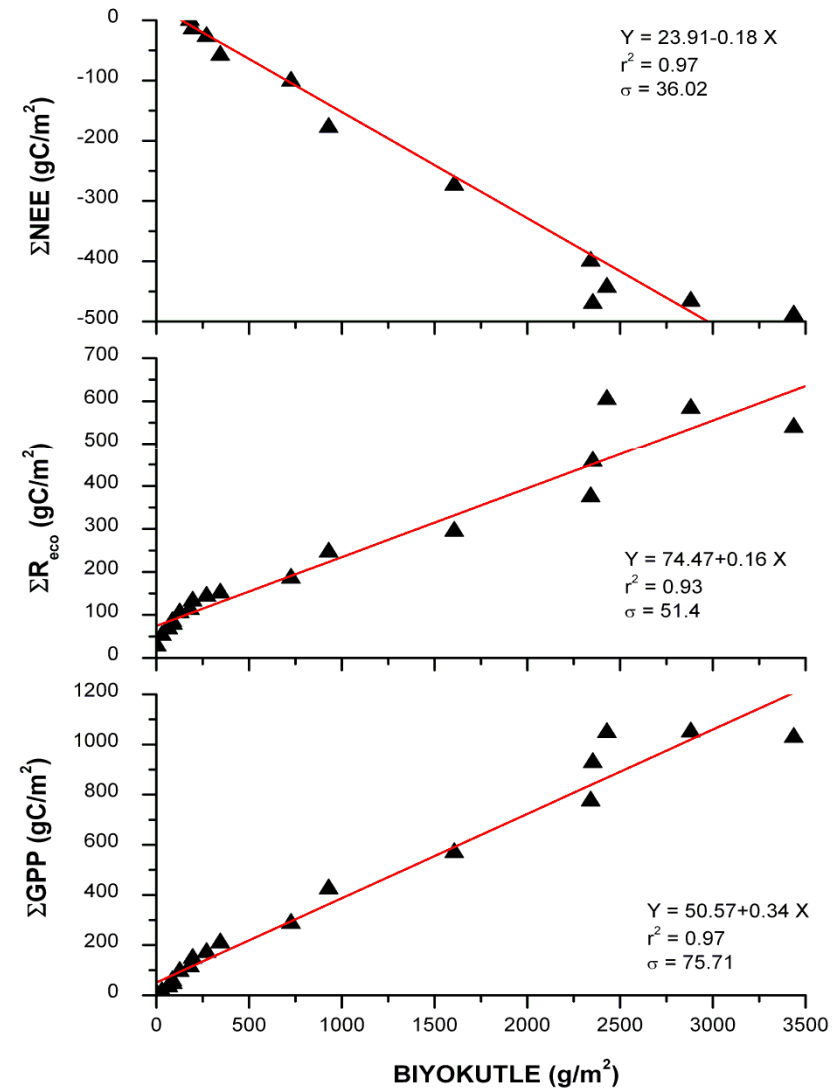
Table 5. Variation of cumulative (Σ) GPP, R_e and NEE during phenological stages of the second growing period.

Phenological stages	Σ GPP (gC m^{-2}) *	ΣR_e (gC m^{-2}) *	Σ NEE (gC m^{-2}) *
Sowing-Emergence	2.23 (0.2%)	17.92 (3.0%)	15.68 (2.6%)
Emergence-3 rd leaf	2.78 (0.3%)	17.07 (2.8%)	14.29 (2.4%)
3 rd leaf-Tillering	25.29 (2.4%)	30.92 (5.1%)	5.64 (0.9%)
Beginning of Tillering- Beginning of Stem Elongation	234.48 (22.4%)	107.12 (17.7%)	-127.35 (21.2%)
Beginning of stem Elongation- Earing	447.63 (42.8%)	179.05 (29.6%)	-268.58 (44.8%)
Earing-Flowering	129.89 (12.4%)	54.55 (9%)	-75.34 (12.6%)
Flowering-Grain Filling	127.88 (12.2%)	80.70 (13.3%)	-47.18 (7.9%)
Grain Filling-Maturity	70.54 (6.7%)	68.31 (11.3%)	-2.24 (0.4%)
Maturity-Harvest	6.06 (0.6%)	49.87 (8.2%)	43.81 (7.3%)**

Biomass & Flux (NEE, GPP, Re)

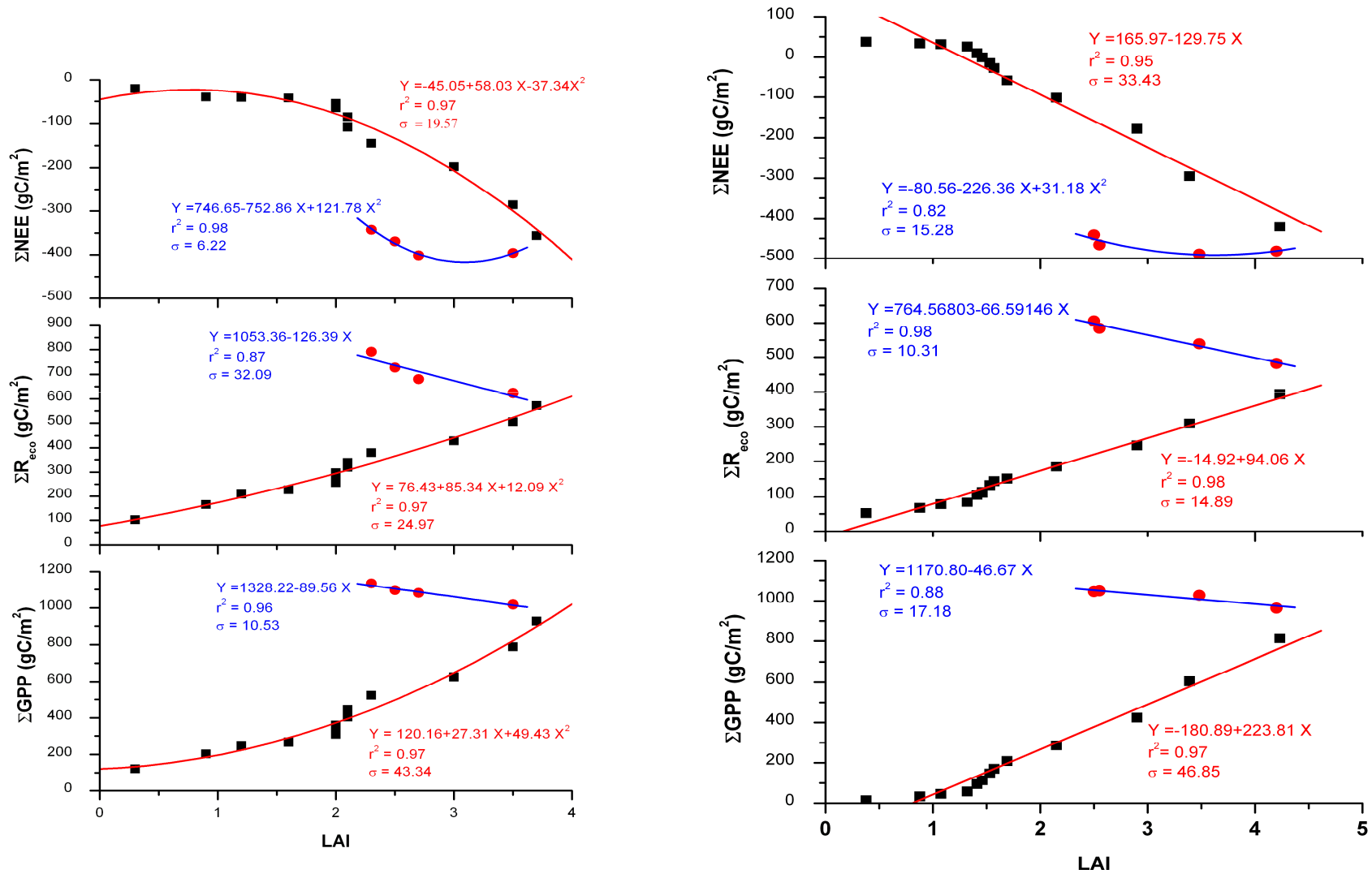


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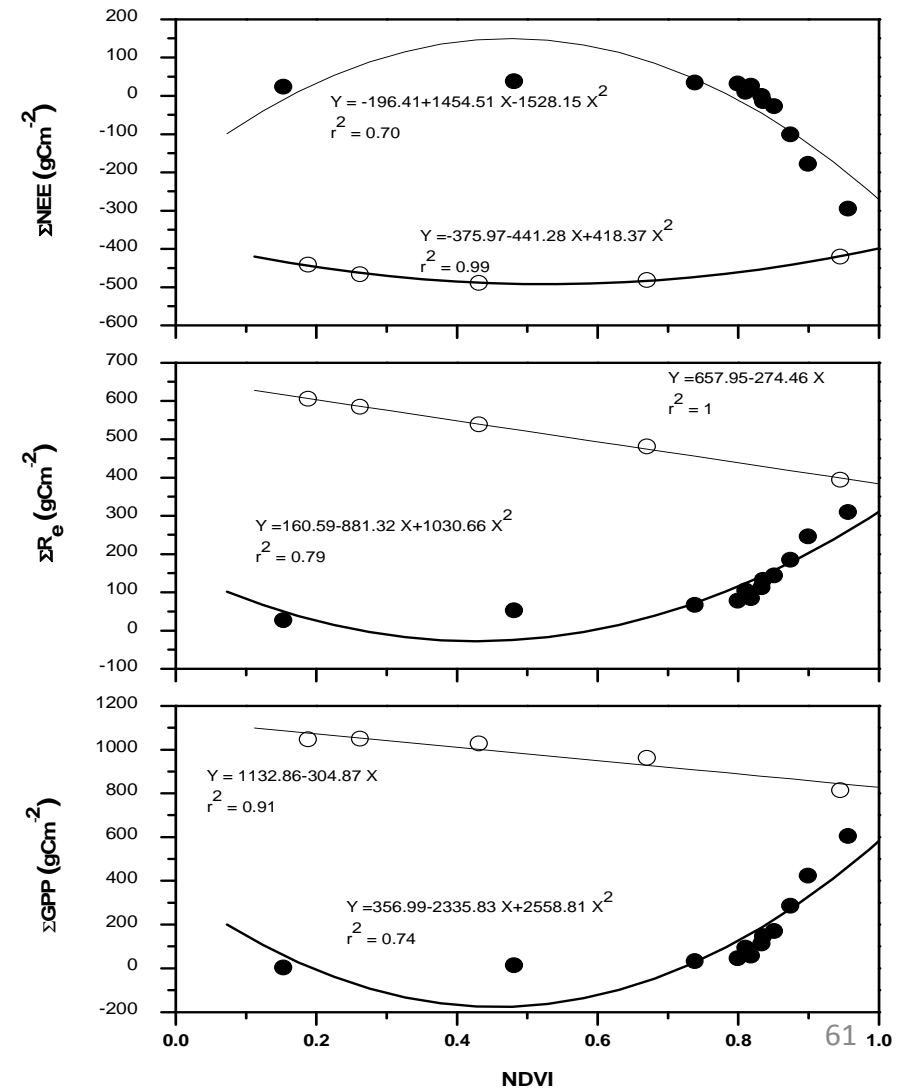
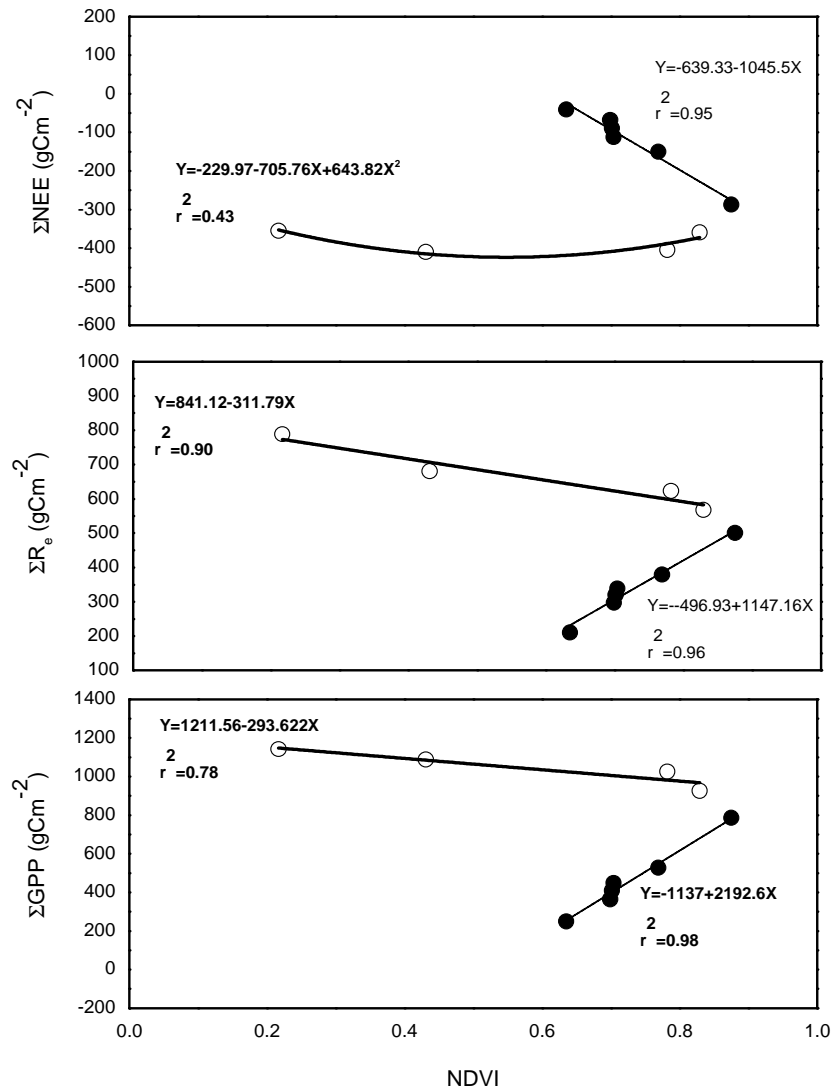


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LAI & CO2 Flux



NDVI & CO2 Flux



CONCLUSION

DATA SETS	NEE (gC/m ²)	GPP (gC/m ²)	Re (gC/m ²)	GPP/Re
Kirklareli, Turkey (Saylan et al., 2011)	-398.0	1094.5	696.4	1.57
South West France (Beziat, 2009)	-369±33	-1310	982	1.34
Thuringia, Germany (Anthoni, 2004)	-185 & -245			

The difference between our average cumulative NEE and the estimated **NEE (-369±33 gC m⁻²) by Beziat *et al.* [7] for Lamasquere/France is about 8 %**. The differences might be resulted from the crop genetic characteristics and crop management (e.g., fertilizers) and site specifications such as meteorological and soil properties, as Li et. al. [39] mentioned.

Generally, strong linear and nonlinear relations ($0.70 \leq r^2 \leq 0.95$) between NEE and vegetation dynamics during the first and the second growing seasons were obtained.

This study reveals that the major indicators of vegetation dynamics such as LAI, biomass, NDVI are strongly related to CO₂ fluxes of winter wheat.

For this reason, these variables are considered as significant predictors for the carbon exchange above winter wheat.

The results of this study pointed that the CO₂ fluxes between winter wheat canopy and atmosphere are under the influence of both meteorological and environmental factors.

Evaluation of long term EC measurements is necessary for testing the reliability of the relevant model results. Thus, carbon budget of winter wheat can be estimated for wide areas only depending on the long-term measurements.

In addition to these, there is an obvious need to measure, record and pursue fluxes, meteorological factors, vegetation dynamics such as NDVI, LAI and biomass continuously for different crop types. Measuring CO₂ fluxes together with observations and measurements on vegetation dynamics would give a chance to apply the results for larger areas by using available modeling approaches.

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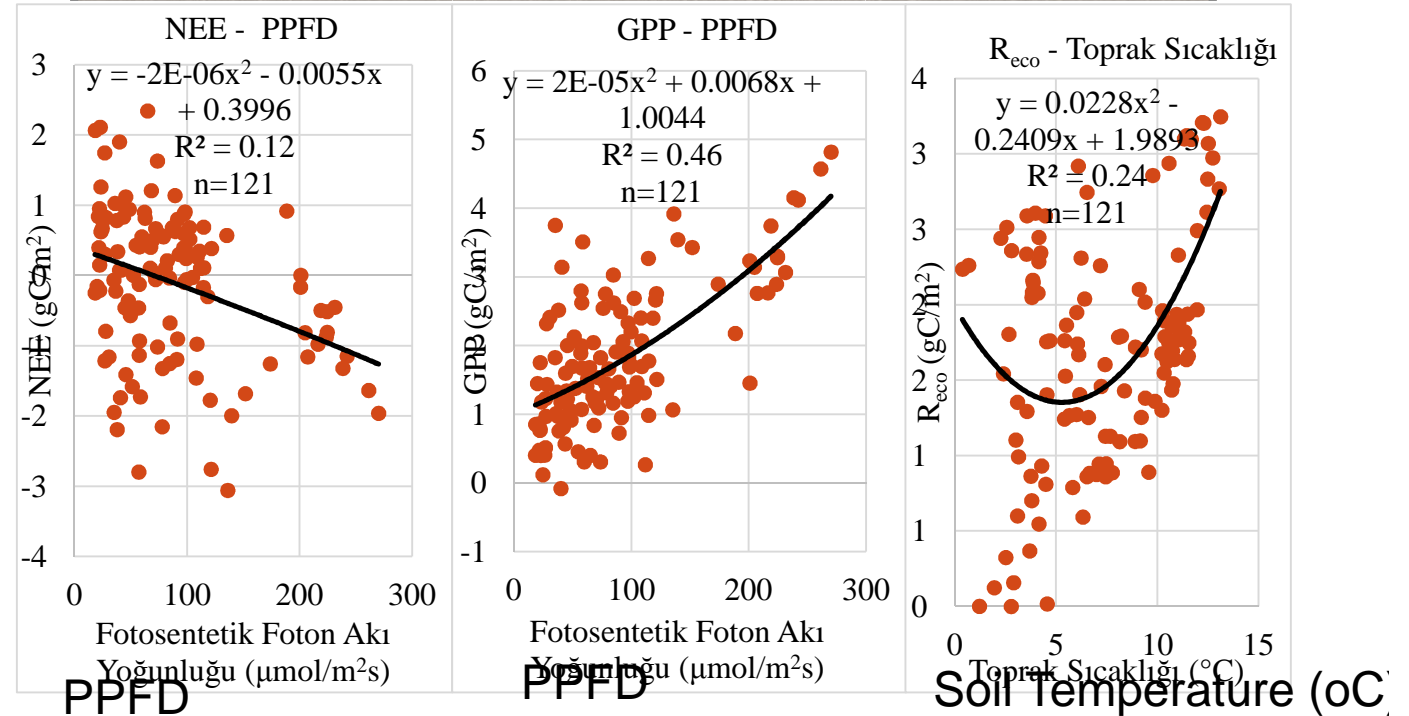
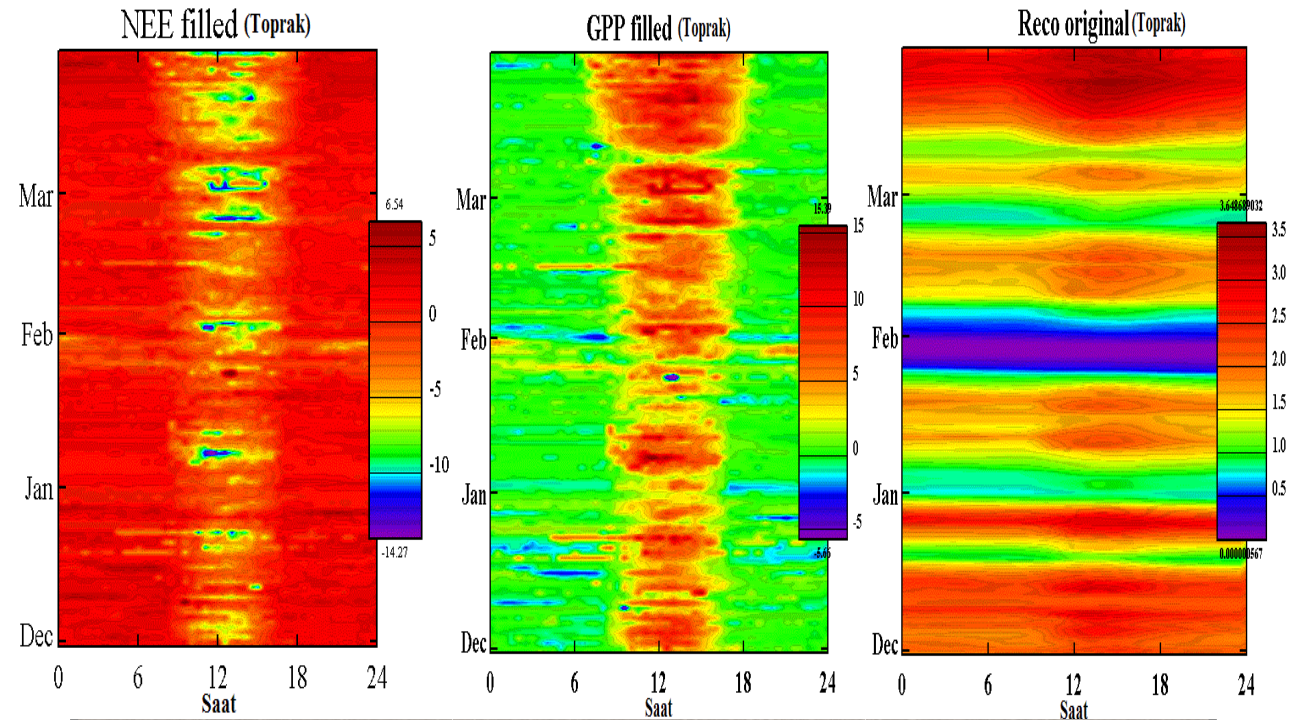


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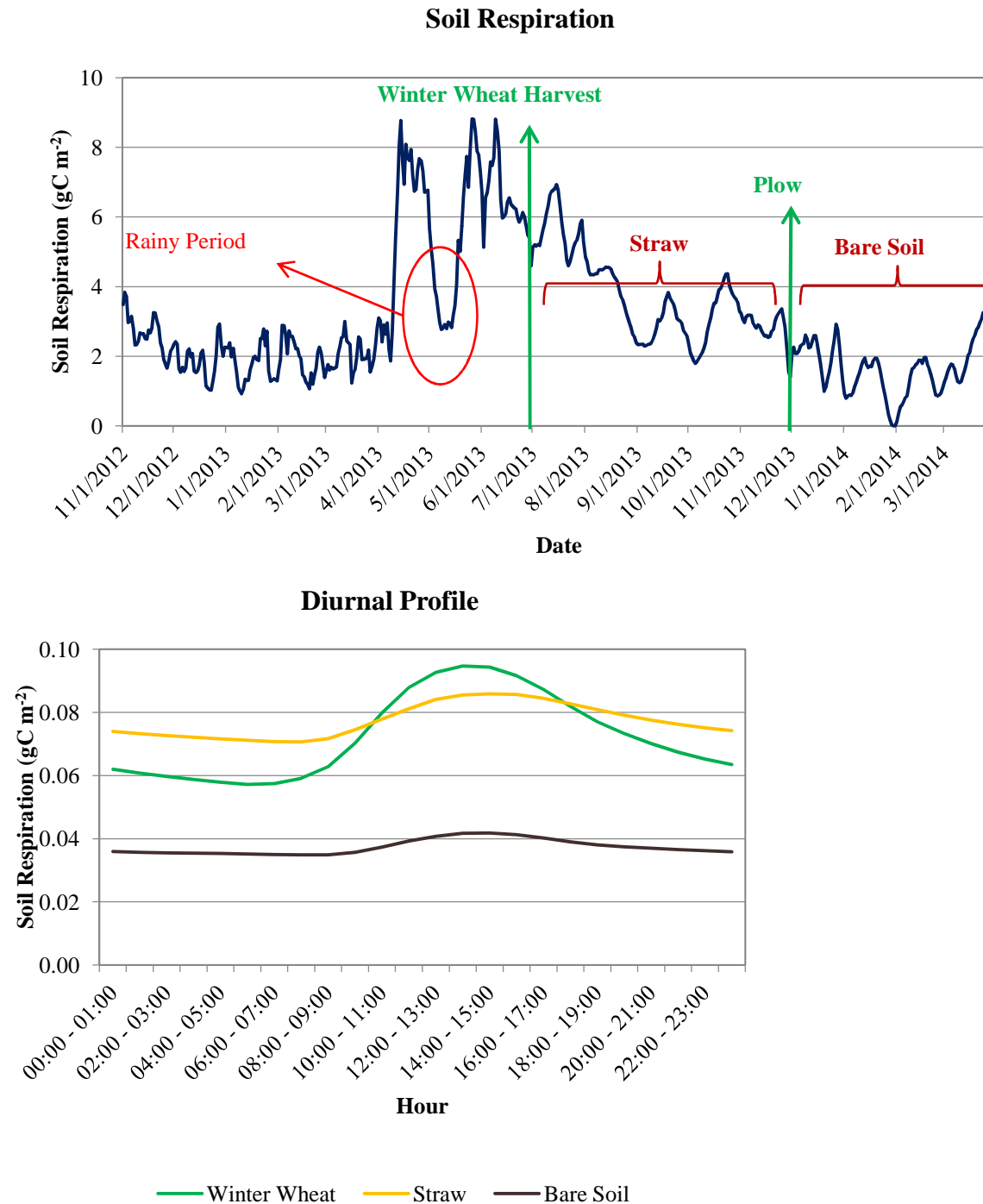
Bare soil



Results

Diurnal

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Results

Relationship between soil temperature and soil respiration below 10°C is much higher than above 10°C. In straw period, photosynthetic photon flux density (PPFD) has the best correlation ($R^2 = 0.48$) with soil respiration. Soil temperature is not dominant in this period due to there is not any crop to cultivate.

