ECOCLIMAP A GLOBAL DATABASE OF LAND SURFACE PARAMETERS AT 1KM RESOLUTION FOR METEOROLOGICALS MODELS

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SURFACE PARAMETERS

Depending on soil

- Percentage of sand and clay
- ✓ Soil depth
- Depending on vegetation
 - Fraction of vegetation
 - Leaf area index
 - Minimal stomatal resistance
 - Roughness length
- Depending on soil and vegetation
 - Albedo

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DEFINING ECOSYSTEMS



Land cover map at 1km resolution (University of Maryland)



Corine Land cover over Europe at 250m resolution



NDVI: Normalised Difference Vegetation Index

NDVI = (PIR - VIS) / (PIR + VIS)

PIR : near infra-red reflectance [0.725 microns, 1.0 microns]

VIS : visible reflectance [0.58 microns, 0.68 microns]

 $NDVI = \{ 0.1 ; 0.6 \}$



STORAGER/NT/CORET/R3214-1

Climate global map (Koeppe et de Lond, 1958)





Basis of the algorithm

Each land cover is represented as a fraction of vegetation types (12 vegetation types):

fraction of woody vegetation, herbaceous vegetation and bare soil for each land cover

landcover	bare soil: bare soil / rocks / permanent snow	woody vegetation: evergreen brodaleaf / deciduous broadleaf / needleleaf	herbaceous: C3 / C4 / irr. crops / natural herbaceous (temperate) / natural herbaceous (tropics) wetland and irr. herbaceous	
any forest		100%		
woodland	0-10%	40-50%	50%	
wooded grassland	0-20%	20 -30%	50-70%	
closed shrubland	$20 extrm{-}30\%$	20%	50-60%	
open shrubland	20- $60%$		40- $80%$	
grassland		% variation depend	100%	
crops		on climate	100%	
bare soil; rock, permanent snow	$90 ext{-} 100\%$	L	$0 ext{-}10\%$	

1. Earth repartition of woodland



2. NDVI profiles of wooded grassland



Computation of surface parameters

LAI=LAI_{min} + (LAI_{max}-LAI_{min}) * (NDVI-NDVI_{min})/(NDVI_{max}-NDVI_{min})

vegetation type	total vegetation fraction	$egin{array}{c} { m roughness} \ { m length} \ { m (m)} \end{array}$	albedo of vegetation	minimal stomatal resistance (sm^{-1})	emissivity of vegetation
bare soil	0	0.013			
rocks	0	0.13			
permanent snow and ice	0	0.0013			
$C3 \ crops$	$1 - e^{-0.6LAI}$	$0.13\min(1,e^{rac{LAI-3.5}{1.3}})$	0.20	40	0.97
C4 and irr. crops	$1 - e^{-0.6LAI}$	$0.13 \min(2.5, e^{rac{LAI - 3.5}{1.3}})$	0.20	40	0.97
natural herbaceous (tropics)	0.95	$0.13 \ rac{LAI}{6}$	0.20	120	0.97
Other herbaceous	0.95	$0.13 \; rac{LAI}{6}$	0.20	40	0.97
Needleleaf trees	0.95	$0.13 \ h$	0.10	150	0.97
Evergreen broadleaf trees	0.99	$0.13 \ h$	0.13	250	0.97
Deciduous broadleaf trees	0.95	$0.13 \ h$	0.15	150	0.97

Aggregation rules

a) Example: aggregated parameters for:
 1 pixel of mixed ecosystem, (say a woodland)

b) Example: aggregation of 4 pixels:
1 pixel of pure ecosystem "1" (say a forest),
2 pixels of pure ecosystem "2" (say crops),
1 pixel of mixed ecosystem "3", (say a woodland)



Leaf Area Index for July





Mean annual albedo



Evolution towards ECOCLIMAP 2

User requirements for surface parameters indicate a need of higher spatial and temporal resolution associated to a good accuracy and availability.

ECOCLIMAP 2 is an answer to these requirements:
New land cover maps: GLC2000, Corine 2000
NDVI temporal profiles taken from SPOT/VEGETATION 10 days frequency and better accuracy than NOAA/AVHRR
Daily Albedo from Land SAF

GLC2000 land cover map at 1km resolution (from JRC,2003)

Corine 2000: Paris 100m

GLC 2000 Land Cover

Tree Cover, broadleaved, evergreen
Tree Cover, broadleaved, deciduous, closed
Tree Cover, broadleaved, deciduous, open
Tree Cover, needle-leaved, evergreen
Tree Cover, needle-leaved, deciduous
Tree Cover, mixed leaf type
Tree Cover, regularly flooded, fresh water
Tree Cover, regularly flooded, saline water

Evolution towards ECOCLIMAP 2

New concept: each land cover class (from GLC2000 and Corine 2000) is splitted into homogeneous classes using the NDVI profiles and climate maps:



INTERANNUAL VARIABILITY OF LAI OVER FRANCE



Broadband Albedo (Geiger, 2004)



Conclusion

Global database of surface parameters at 1km resolutionAllows tile approach

>Provides the surface parameters at any resolution

Used in the Arpege Climate model, meso-NH and Arome models
 Multitemporal SPOT/VEGETATION data allow to build a more precise database: ECOCLIMAP 2

>Possibility to add other datasets, like albedo from Land SAF

Database available at following address:

http://www.cnrm.meteo.fr/gmme/PROJETS/ECOCLIMAP/page_ecoclimap.htm