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#### Pan to Penman-Monteith

- Motivations
- Making the change
- Conclusions



### **IMS** Motivations:

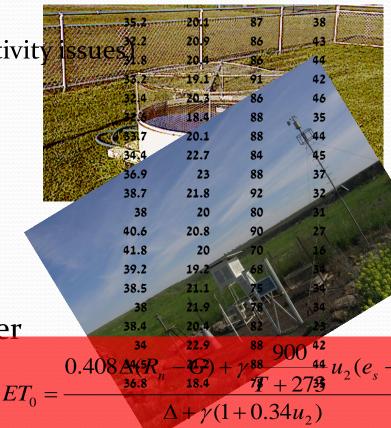
#### • 20<sup>th</sup> century:

- ➤ Widespread Pan-A use (Representativity issues
- ➤ Irrigation coefficients (late 1960's)
- > P-M equation growing use

#### • 21<sup>st</sup> century:

- > AWS become wide spread
- ➤ Automatic Irrigation systems
- > Abundance of data available to user (ASCE/FAO/PAN/Grass/Alfalfa)





### **Tower of Babel**



# IMS Making the change

- Recognizing the confusion Extension Service
- Commitment of all organizations to process:
  - ➤ Ministry of Agriculture
  - > Extension Service
  - > ARO (Agriculture Research Organization)
  - > Regional R&D Organizations
  - > Academia
  - > Farmers
  - ➤ Israel Meteorological Service (IMS)
  - > Private Sector

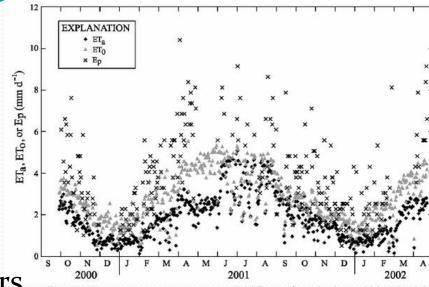
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# IMS Making the change

#### Chosen ETo method – FAO-56

- > International standard
- ➤ Robustness
- > Easy transition can be compared to the pan.
- > On line real time data.
- ➤ Direct connection to computers and communication systems
- ➤ Can be gridded and modeled GIS, forecast



Sumner, D.M., and J. M. Jacobs, 2005. J. of Hydrology, 308, 81-104.



# IMS Making the change

- Seamless transition "transparent" to farmer
- Quick transition
  - > No time for new experiments
  - ➤ Use available data
  - > Irrigation amounts not to be changed
  - ➤ Replace ETo → Replace crop coefficients

# IMS

# Making the change - Technically

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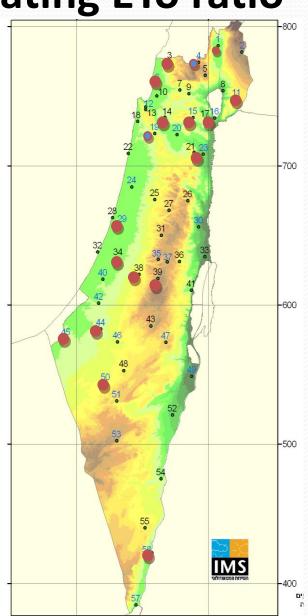
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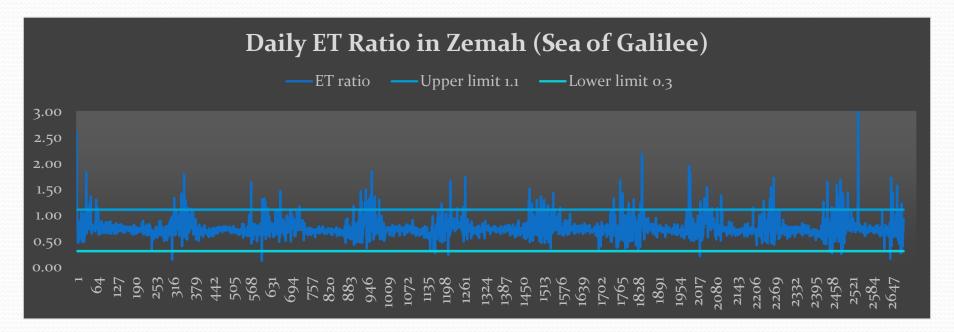
- Defining agro-climatic regions
- Sufficient PAN-A & AWS data
- 5-10 years data
- IMS & Ministry of Agriculture
- 57 AWS & 17 PAN-A sites
- Scrutinizing PAN-A data
- Averaging daily data over a month





# Making the change - Calculating ETo ratio

- Scrutinizing PAN-A data
  - ➤ Missing data
  - > Rain days
  - > Accumulated data
  - > Measurement errors





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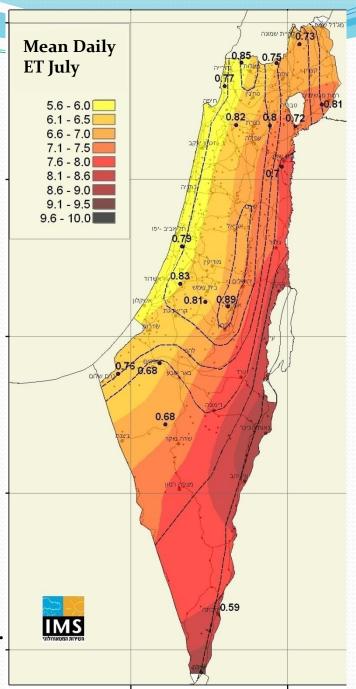
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	0.95	0.79	0.78	0.68	0.74	0.79	0.78	0.81	0.82	0.74	0.79	0.76	0.82	1
0.76	0.95	0.83	0.80	0.68	0.76	0.81	0.76	0.82	0.84	0.78	0.81	0.79	0.87	2
0.76	0.92	0.81	0.81	0.63	0.79	0.81	0.78	0.79	0.86	0.78	0.80	0.76	0.84	3
0.78	0.92	0.76	0.85	0.60	0.79	0.81	0.75	0.75	0.84	0.78	0.82	0.71	0.79	4
0.77	0.88	0.74	0.87	0.60	0.82	0.78	0.73	0.72	0.86	0.79	0.80	0.69	0.78	5
0.77	0.83	0.68	0.89	0.60	0.83	0.73	0.72	0.69	0.84	0.79	0.80	0.69	0.77	6
0.77	0.82	0.69	0.90	0.58	0.85	0.74	0.72	0.69	0.82	0.79	0.82	0.68	0.76	7
0.76	0.80	0.68	0.89	0.59	0.88	0.73	0.71	0.71	0.83	0.78	0.82	0.68	0.76	8
0.73	0.80	0.67	0.87	0.60	0.84	0.71	0.69	0.72	0.81	0.74	0.79	0.68	0.76	9
0.74	0.84	0.66	0.82	0.61	0.77	0.73	0.67	0.75	0.83	0.74	0.78	0.71	0.75	10
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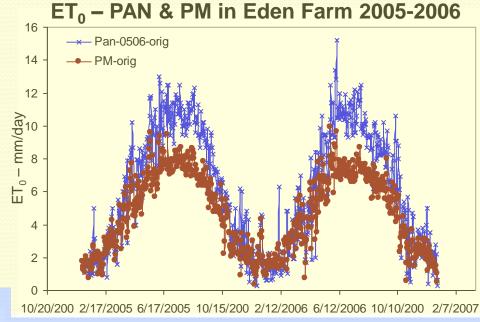
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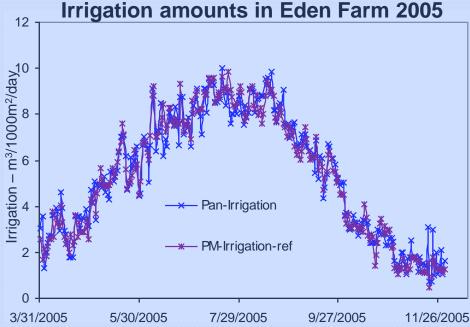
DATE	PAN COEFFICIENT	PM COEFFICIENT		
1-15 APRIL	0.35	0.46		
16-30 APRIL	0.4	0.53		
1-15 MAY	0.45	0.56		
16-30 MAY	0.5	0.67		
1-15 JUNE	0.55	0.71		
16-30JUNE	0.6	0.77		
JULY	0.6	0.79		
AUGUST	0.65	0.86		
SEPTEMBER	0.65	0.94		
OCTOBER	0.65	0.94		



# Making the change – from ET<sub>0</sub> to Irrigation









### Making the change - PM Based Water Chart

		Banana - Coastal	AWS	Total Irrigation (m³/Season)	Banana Irrigation Chart			
		Acre	Acre		Type in Weekly Calculated ET	Daily Irrigation Amount		
Month	Decada	PM Coefficient	Mean Daily ET	m³/day mm		M³/Dunam/Day		
8	1	0.00	3.40	0.0		0.0		
March	2		3.40	0.0		0.0		
	3	0.55 3.40		1.9	12.0	0.9		
	1	0.50	4.30 2.2		10.0	0.7		
April	2	0.50	4.30	2.2	15.0	1.1		
•	3	0.55	4.30	2.4	23.0	1.8		
	1	0.65	5.00	3.3	29.0	2.7		
May	2	0.75	5.00	3.8	28.0	3.0		
	3	0.80	5.00	4.0	30.0	3.4		
	1	0.90	5.50	5.0	32.0	4.1		
June	2	0.95	5.50	5.2		0.0		
	3	1.00	5.50	5.5		0.0		
July	1	1.15	5.60	6.4		0.0		
	2	1.20	5.60	6.7		0.0		
	3	1.30	5.60	7.3		0.0		
August	1	1.35	5.40	7.3		0.0		
	2	1.35	5.40	7.3		0.0		
	3	1.40	5.40	7.6		0.0		
*	1	1.35	4.80	6.5		0.0		
September	2	1.40	4.80	6.7		0.0		
	3	1.40	4.80	6.7		0.0		
	1	1.35	3.60	4.9		0.0		
October	2	1.25	3.60	4.5		0.0		
	3	1.15	3.60	4.1		0.0		
November	1	1.20	2.70	3.2		0.0		
	2		2.70	0.0		0.0		
	3	0.00	2.70	0.0		0.0		
	1	0.00	2.10	0.0		0.0		
December	2		2.10	0.0		0.0		
	3	0.00	2.10	0.0		0.0		



### Making the change – The real challenge



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#### Irrigation coefficients

There are several methods for calculating potential evaporation from meteorological stations. FAO 56 Is the accepted method by the Israeli Meteorological Service and the Ministry of Agriculture and the World. At the same time, there is a method to calculate daily evaporation (or during the day) accepted by the Northern R & D. All irrigation coefficients accompanying Excel files relate to evaporate calculated accepted by the Meteorological Service and the Ministry of Agriculture

#### Avocado irrigation coefficients

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#### **Irrigation coefficients Bugs**

The author's name: which Eizenkot Date of publication: 01/02/2013 Type of content: walling

#### Irrigation coefficients peach

The author's name: which Eizenkot Date of publication: 04/03/2013 Type of content: walling

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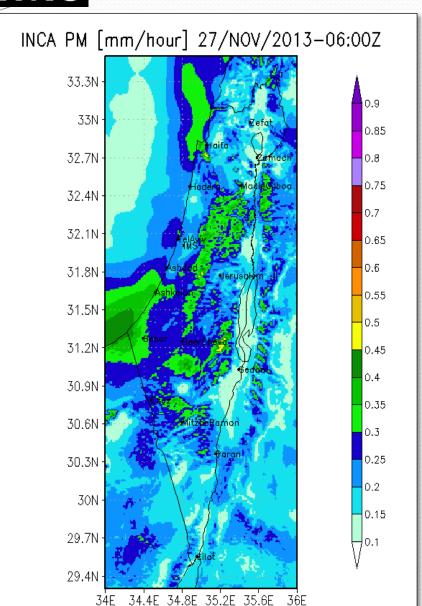
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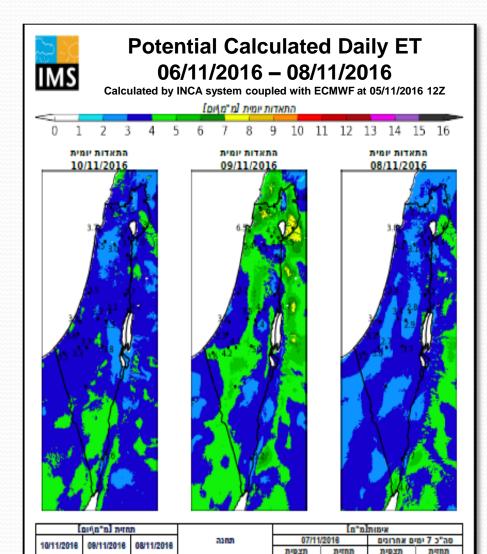






# **IMS** Further Utilizations:





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# IMS Conclusions:

- Recognize a mal-practice
- Cooperation:
  - ➤ All relevant sectors
  - ➤ Through entire product chain
  - > Preliminary phase to final product
- Seek how to contribute to the project:
  - ➤ Be pro-active
  - ➤ Adjust to client needs
  - > Professionalism
- Reach End-User:
  - ➤ Directly
  - > Indirectly





### Water Management in Israel

#### **Centralized Governance**

Water Act (1951): All water resources belong to the people

#### Semi arid Climate

86%
Potable water recycled

~50%

Potable water from desalination

35%
Irrigation
potable water

14%
Decrease per capita domestic use