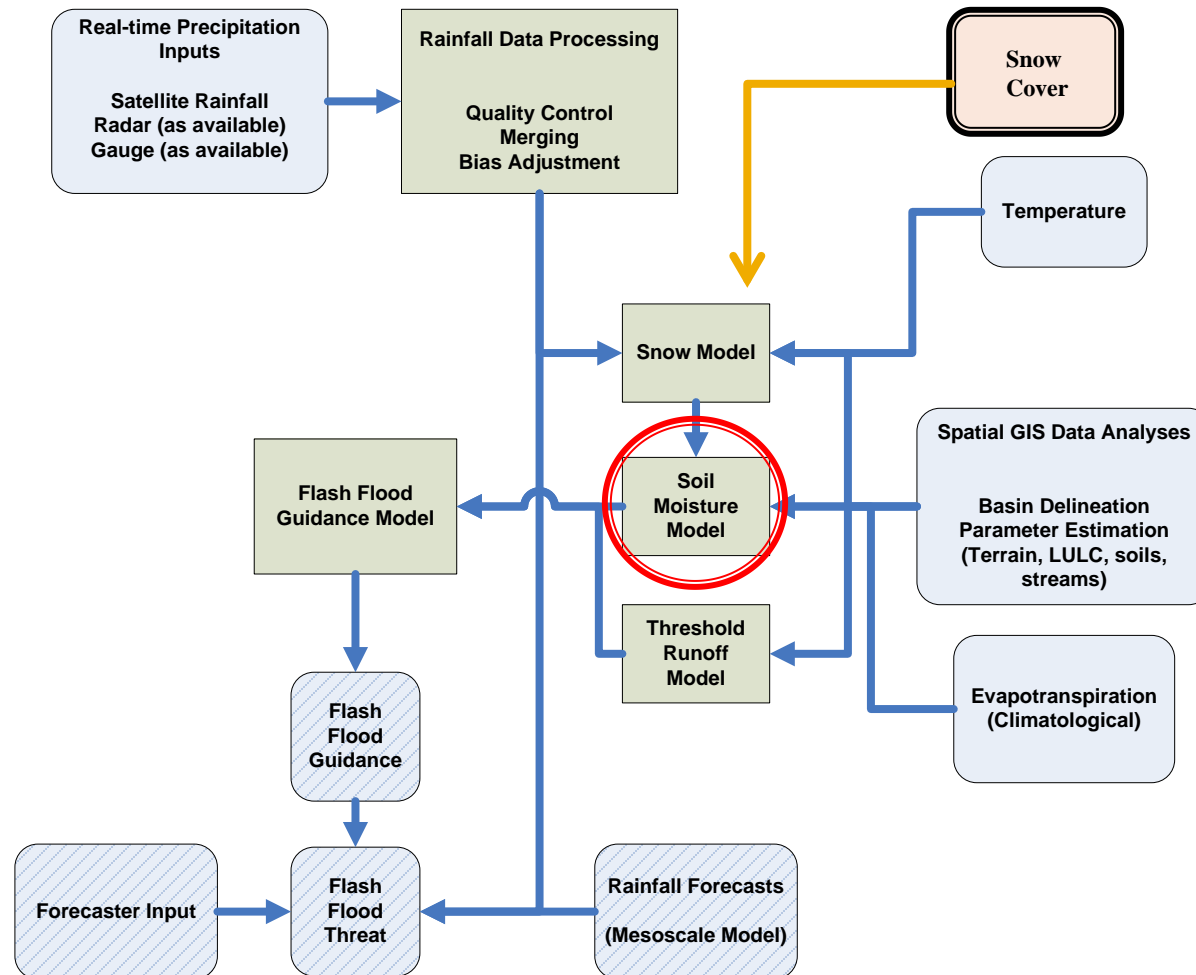


Soil Moisture & FFG Models

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Key Components of FFGS



CARFFGS

CARFFG - Central Asia Regional Flash Flood Guidance

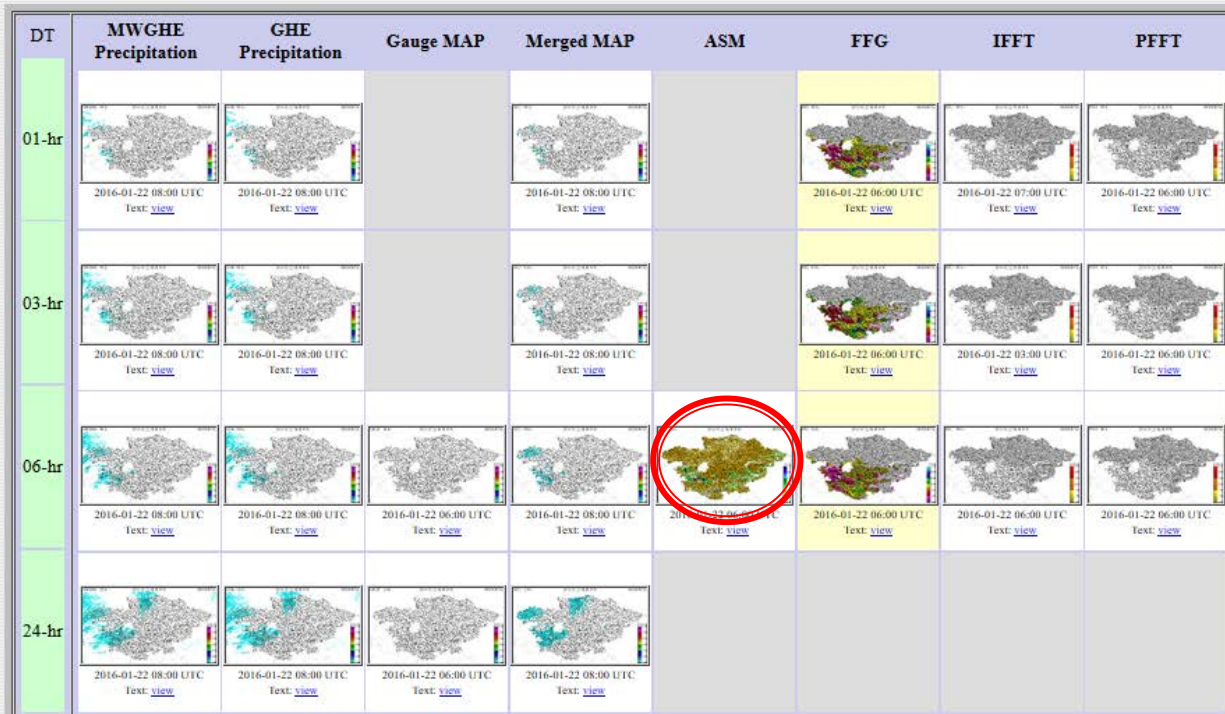
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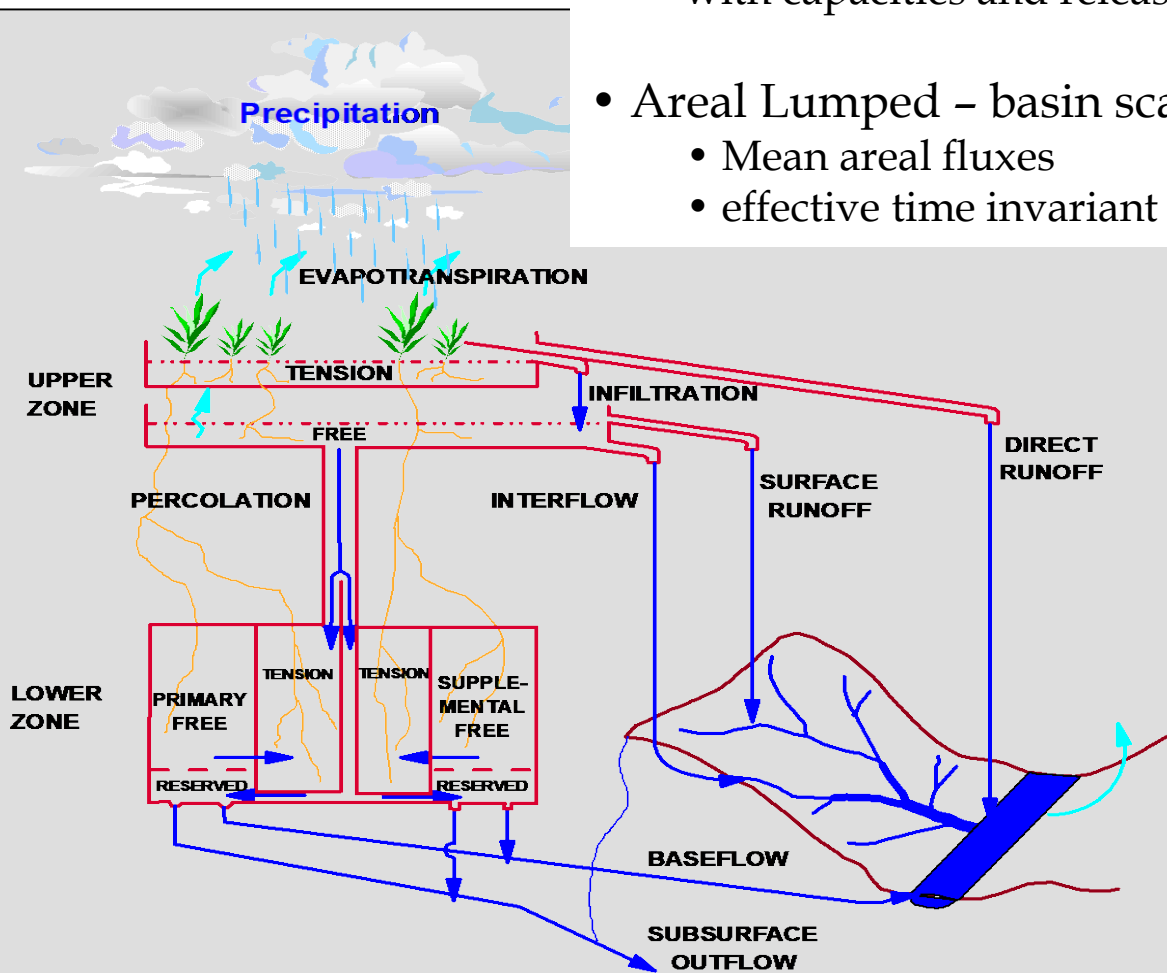
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Surfmet Gauge Observations at 2016-01-22 06:00 UTC

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28764	PRESNOGORKOVKA	0.00	-16.20	KAZAKHSTAN	54.2	65.4	160	Enabled	Enabled
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28776	SMIRNOVO	0.00	-14.65	KAZAKHSTAN	54.3	69.2	138	Enabled	Enabled

Sacramento Soil Moisture Accounting SAC-SMA Model

- Process based conceptual model
 - A simplified description of physical processes: Mass balance - soil profile as a series of connected reservoirs with capacities and release coefficients
- Areal Lumped – basin scale
 - Mean areal fluxes
 - effective time invariant parameters



SAC-SMA Principles

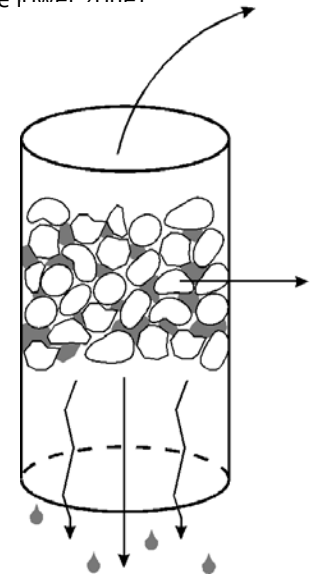
Three general type of soil water content that influence the runoff

- Tension water
 - The part that can be separate from the soil and returned to the atmosphere through ET
 - Water that is held against gravity due to force attraction by the soil molecules
 - Depend on soil climate and land cover
- Free water
 - Water in the liquid state that is free to travel
 - This is the water that will supply all the deficiencies in the model compartments (i.e., tension, percolation into the lower zone)
 - The lateral flow is generated from the free water
 - When rainfall intensity is larger than the percolation rate than the excess rain will generate surface flow.
- Interception
 - The potion of rain that is remained on the vegetation
 - A moisture storage that affect the rainfall-runoff regime
 - The intercepted water is temporarily interfere with the ET from the tension water storage.
 - Form modeling perspective the intercepted water is included in the tension storage.
 - Problem might occur in areas with large annual variability in interception

In general:

Smaller soil particles (clay) have larger tension water storage

Large soil particles (sand) have larger free water storage

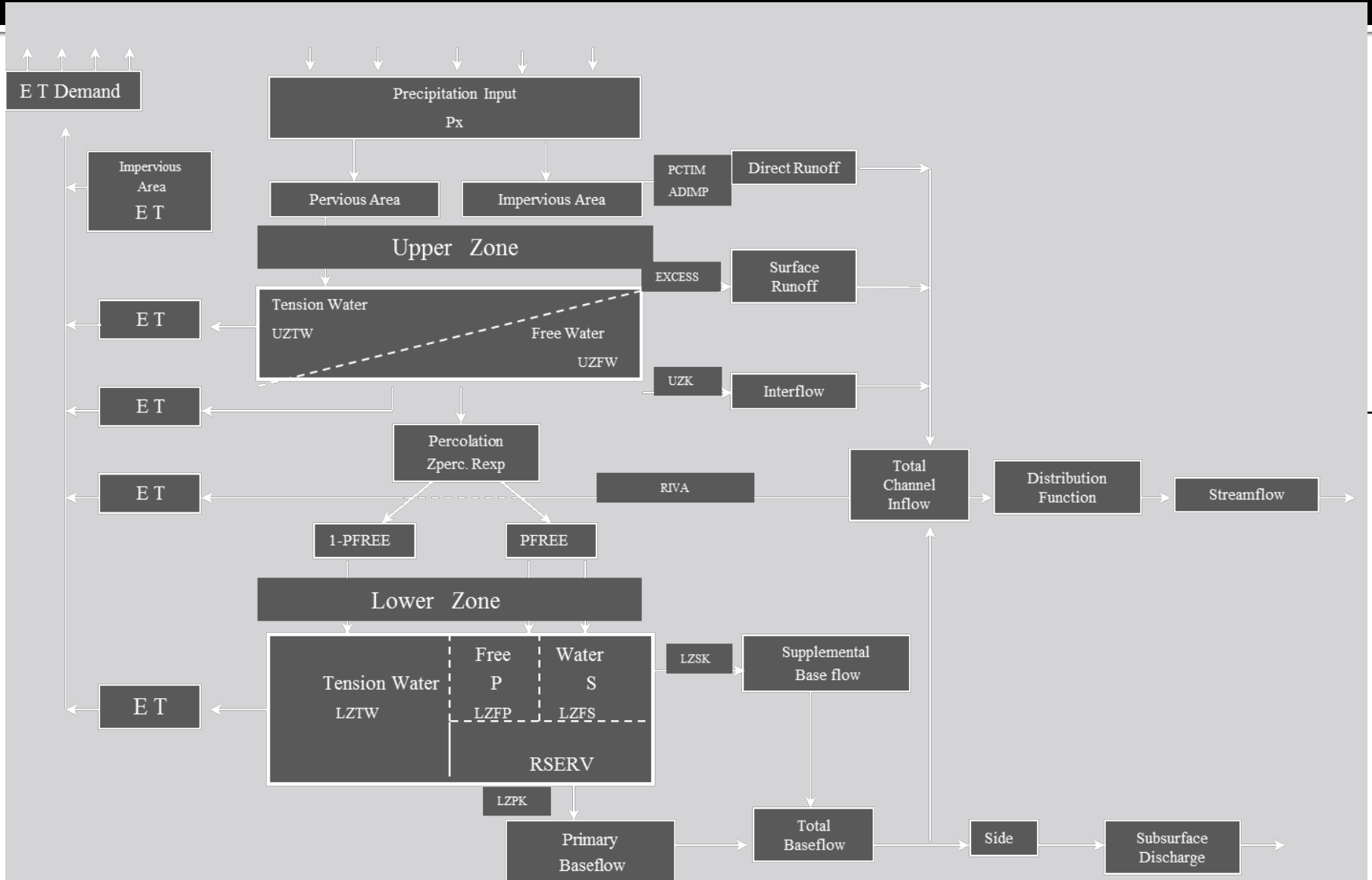


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Model Structure



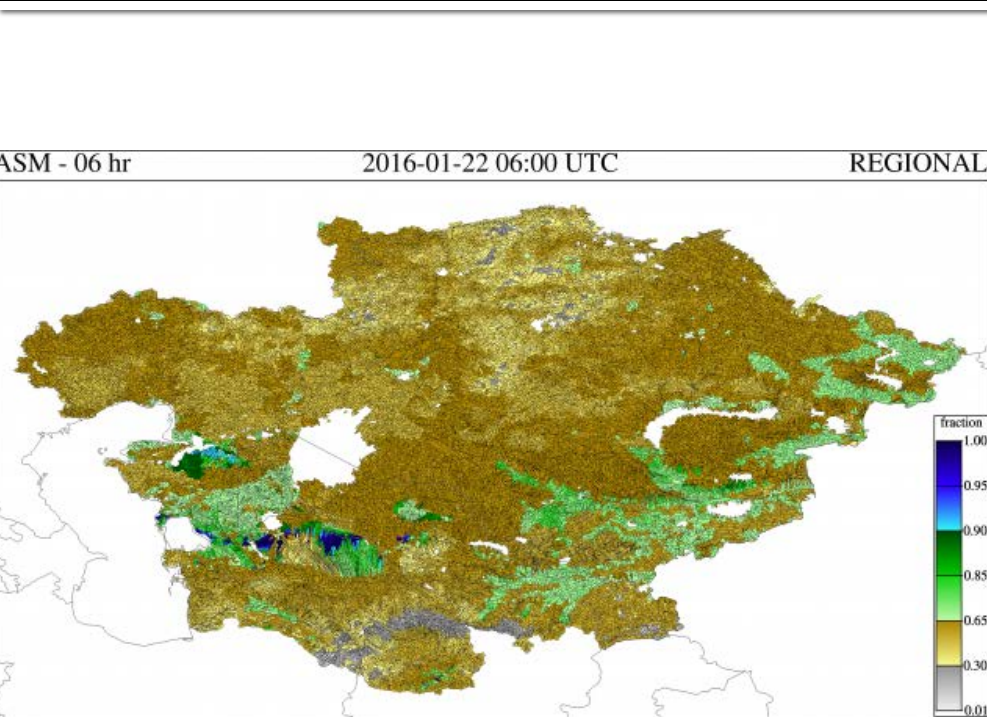
SAC-SMA Parameters

PXADJ	Precipitation adjustment factor
PEADJ	ET-demand adjustment factor
UZTWM	Upper zone tension water capacity (mm)
UZFWM	Upper zone free water capacity (mm)
UZK	Fractional daily upper zone free water withdrawal rate
PCTIM	Minimum impervious area (decimal fraction)
ADIMP	Additional impervious area (decimal fraction)
RIVA	Riparian vegetation area (decimal fraction)
ZPERC	Maximum percolation rate coefficient
REXP	Percolation equation exponent
LZTWM	Lower zone tension water capacity (mm)
LZFSM	Lower zone supplemental free water capacity (mm)
LZFPM	Lower zone primary free water capacity (mm)
LZSK	Fractional daily supplemental withdrawal rate
LZPK	Fractional daily primary withdrawal rate
PFREE	Fraction of percolated water going directly to lower zone free water storage
RSERV	Fraction of lower zone free water not transferable to lower zone tension water
SIDE	Ratio of deep recharge to channel baseflow
ET Demand	Daily ET demand (mm/day)
PE Adjust	PE adjustment factor for 16th of each month

State Variables

ADIMC	Tension water contents of the ADIMP area (mm)
UZTWC	Upper zone tension water contents (mm)
UZFWC	Upper zone free water contents (mm)
LZTWC	Lower zone tension water contents (mm)
LZFSC	Lower zone free supplemental contents (mm)
LZFPC	Lower zone free primary contents (mm)

Average Soil Moisture [ASM]



Upper Zone Soil Moisture

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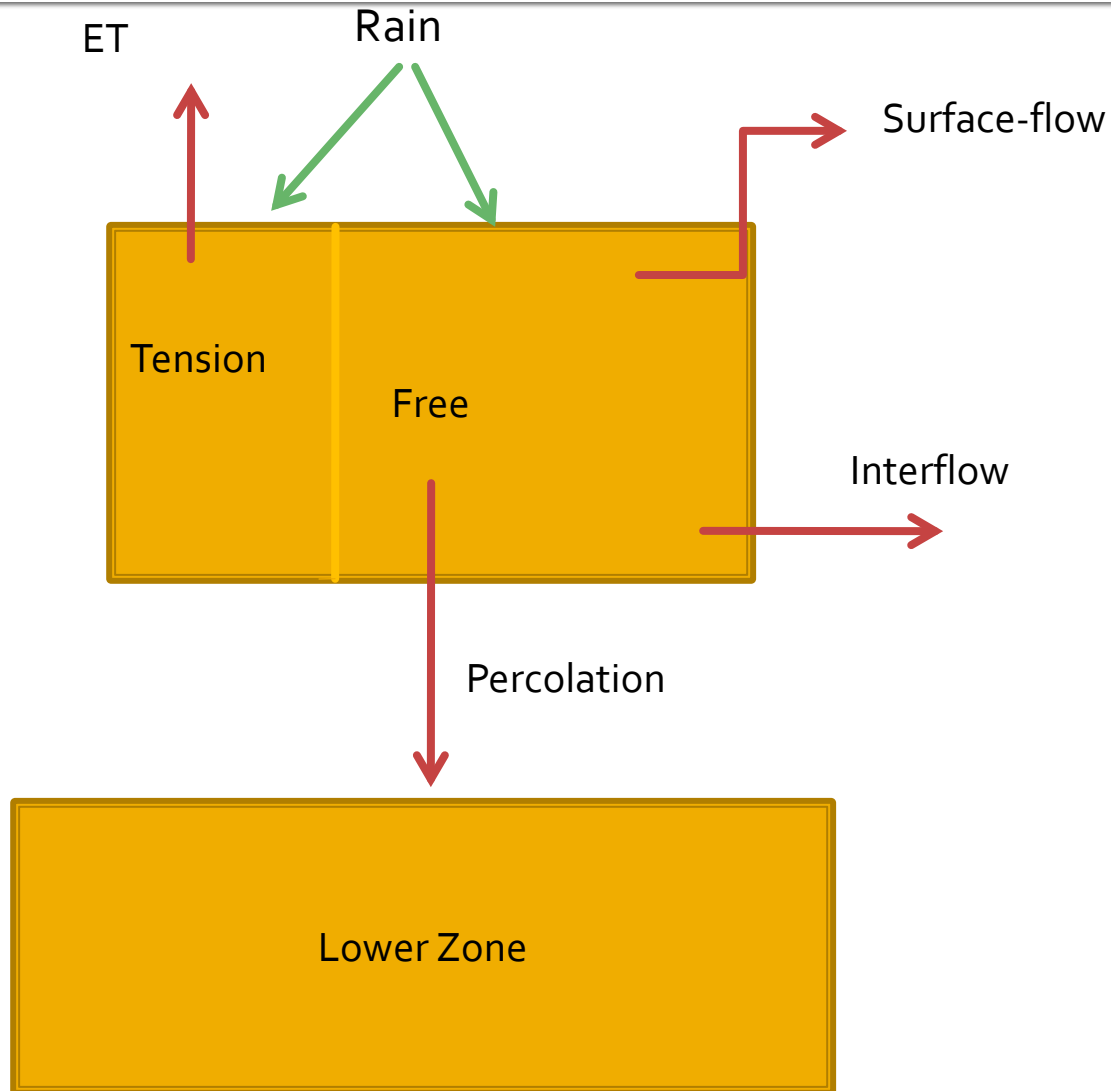
X_{Fo}

X_T

X_F

$$ASM = (X_T + X_F) / (X_{To} + X_{Fo})$$

Flash Flood Sensitive Parameters



Determination of FFG using thresh-R and rainfall –runoff curve

FFG

Rainfall Depth

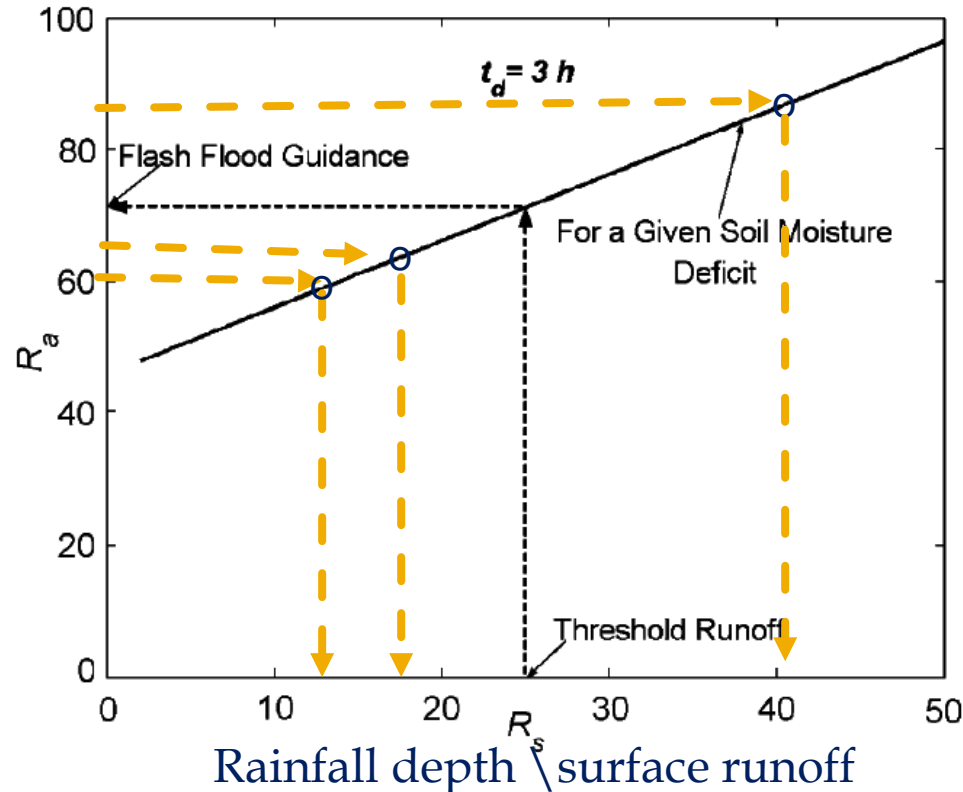


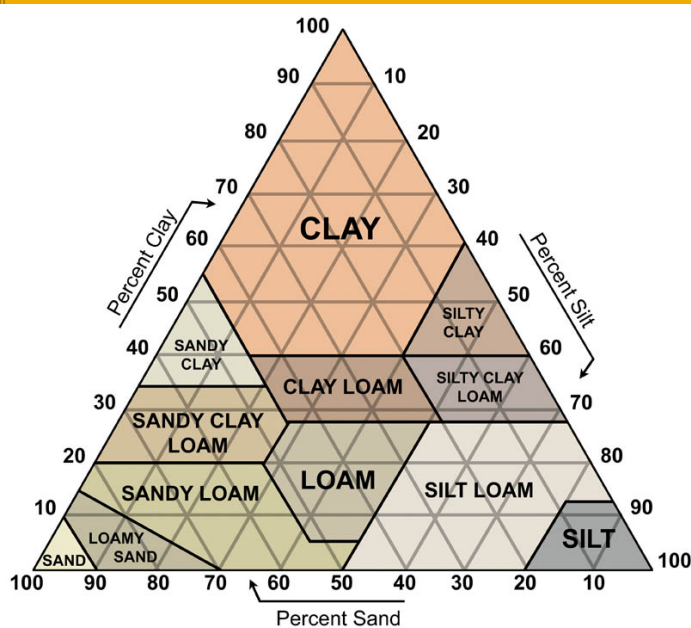
Fig. 2. Model relationship (solid line) between a given volume of rainfall, R_a , of duration t_d and the model-generated runoff R_s for a given soil moisture deficit. The relationship is used to translate the surface runoff that is just enough to cause flooding of the draining stream at the watershed outlet (called threshold runoff) to the required volume of rainfall over a given duration t_d (called flash flood guidance of duration t_d).

Relationship of Threshold Runoff to FFG

- Effective rainfall is the residual amount after accounting for all losses such as interception and soil moisture storage
- FFG is the amount of actual rainfall of a given duration falling over the watershed that causes flooding at the outlet of the drainage stream.
- FFG is derived from threshold runoff through soil moisture modeling and accounting for all losses in the transformation of rainfall to runoff
- Threshold Runoff is a one-time calculation for a given watershed whereas FFG is computed on a real-time basis

Soil Moisture Accounting Model A priori Parameter Estimation

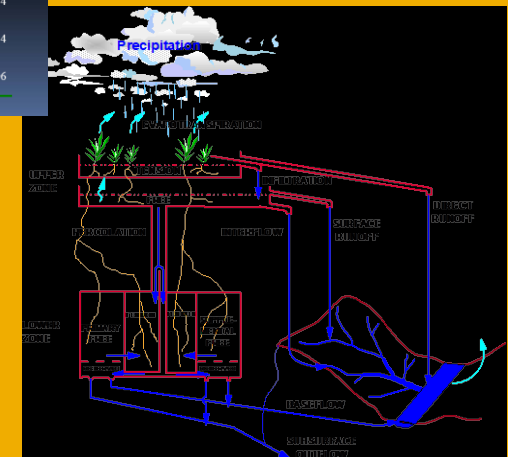
Soil Texture → Soil Hydraulic Properties (moisture content in wilting point, field capacity and saturation and K_s) → SMA model parameters



Soil Texture and Hydraulic Properties

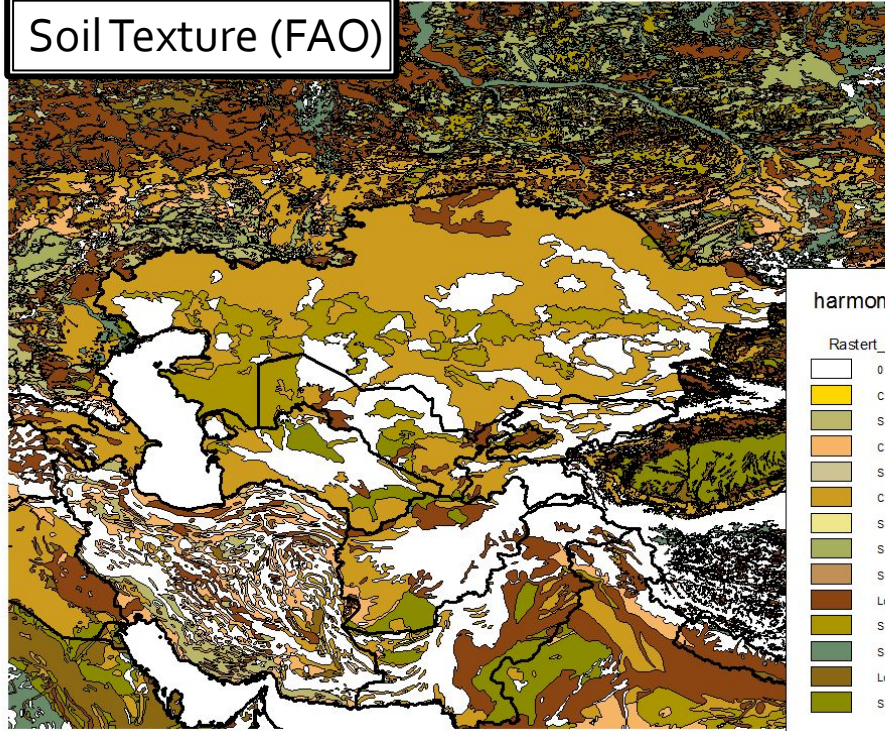
Soil Class	$\theta(m^3/m^3)$	$\theta_f(m^3/m^3)$	$\theta_w(m^3/m^3)$	$K_s(m/h)$	α	$\sigma_{rc}(m/h)$
Sand	0.34	0.09	0.015	0.168	2.79	0.062
Loamy Sand	0.42	0.16	0.05	0.050	4.26	0.082
Sandy Loam	0.43	0.21	0.07	0.019	4.74	0.119
Loam	0.44	0.25	0.095	0.012	5.25	0.108
Silty Loam	0.48	0.29	0.11	0.010	5.33	0.090
Sandy Clay Loam	0.40	0.24	0.11	0.016	6.77	0.088
Clay Loam	0.47	0.32	0.17	0.009	8.17	0.099
Silty Clay Loam	0.46	0.33	0.19	0.007	8.72	0.103
Sandy Clay	0.41	0.29	0.18	0.026	10.73	0.054
Silty Clay	0.47	0.35	0.21	0.005	10.39	0.124
Clay	0.47	0.36	0.24	0.004	11.55	0.106

Values are from Cosby et al. 1984



Harmonized soil

Soil Texture (FAO)

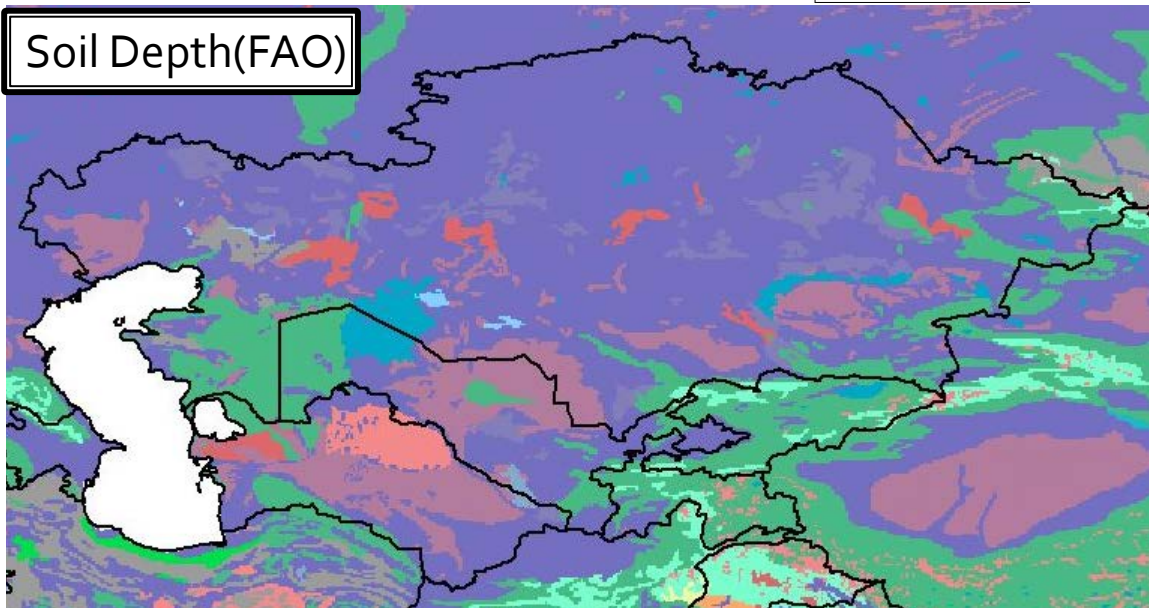


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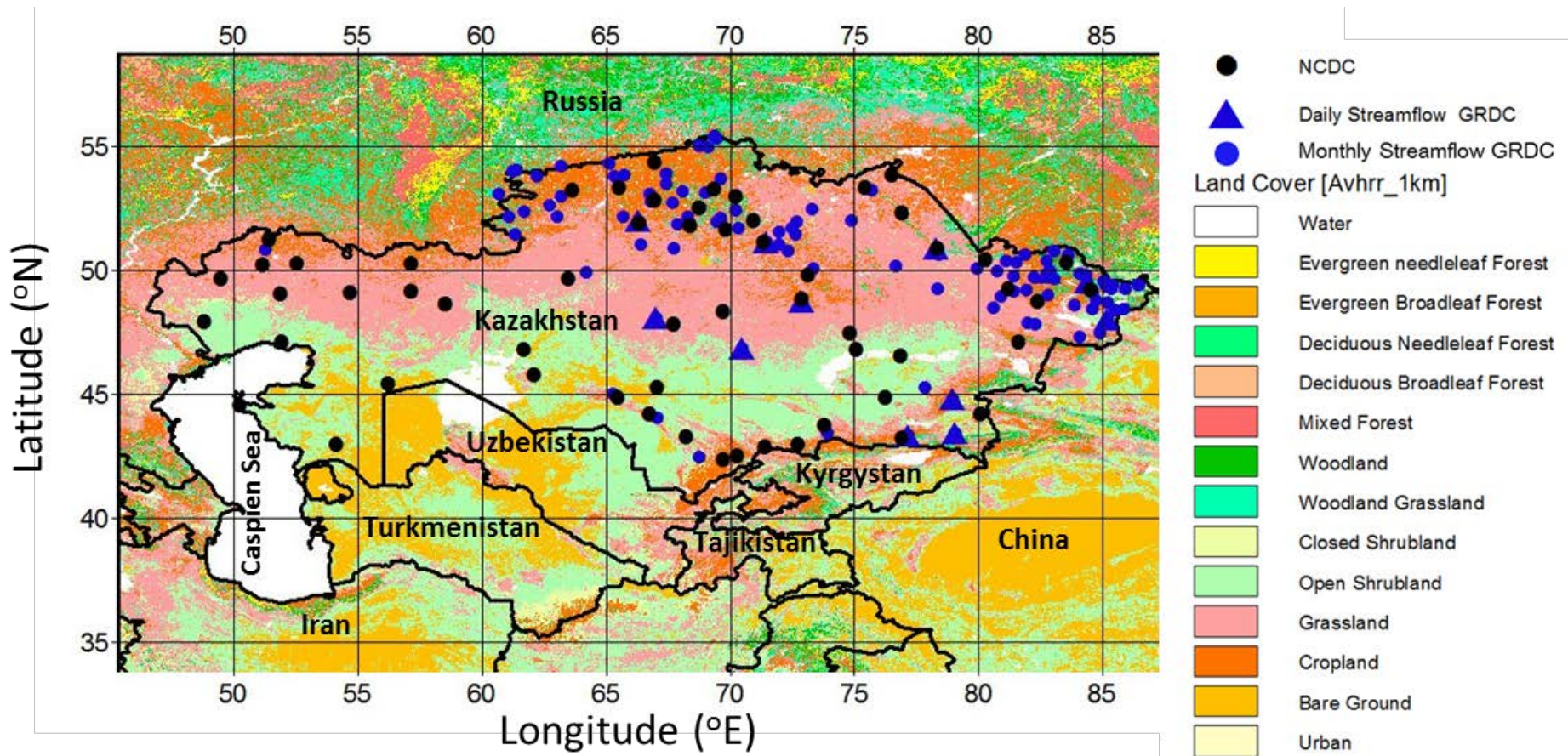
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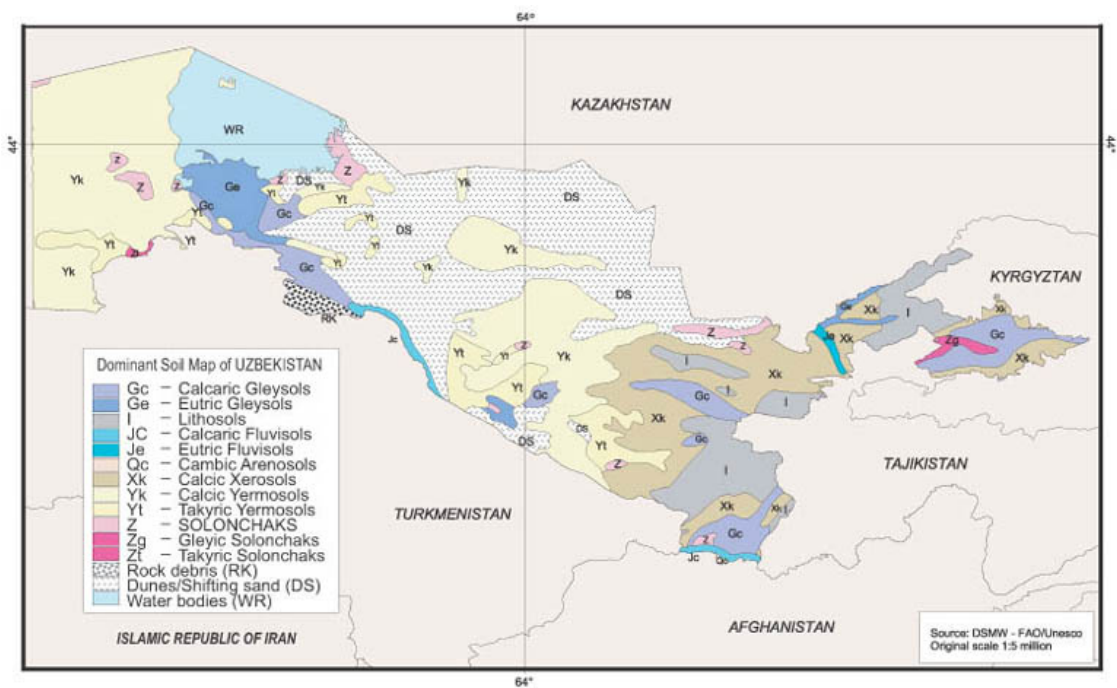


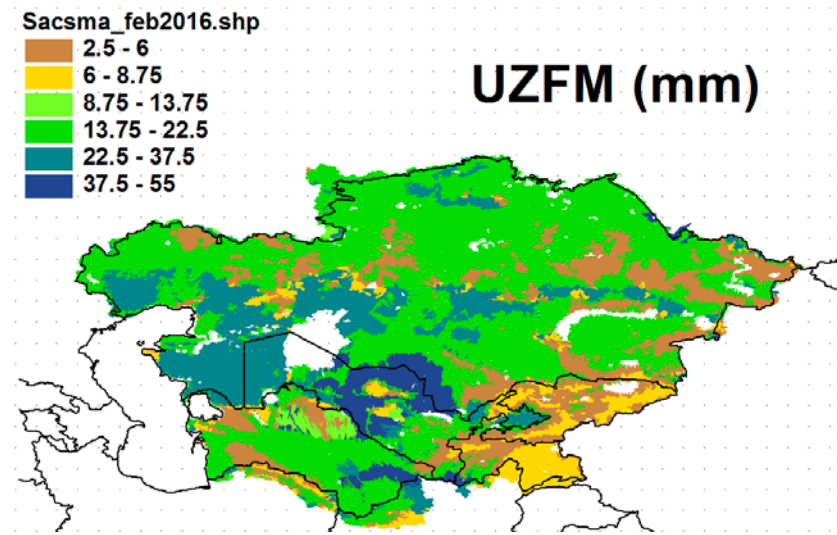
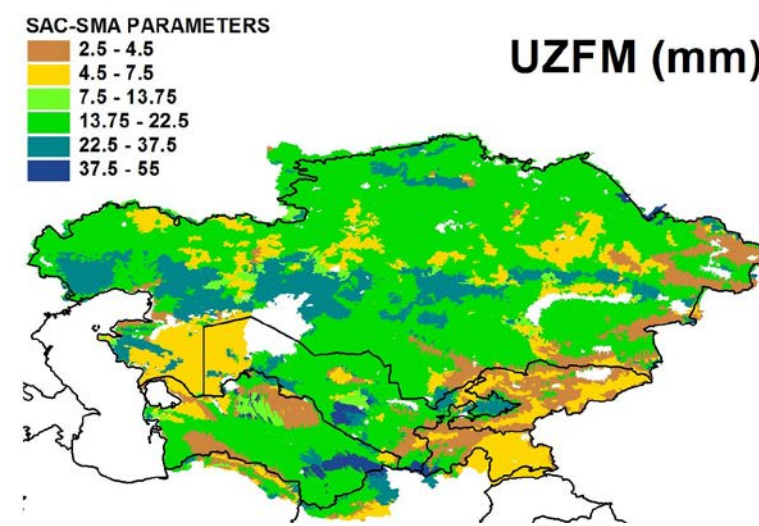
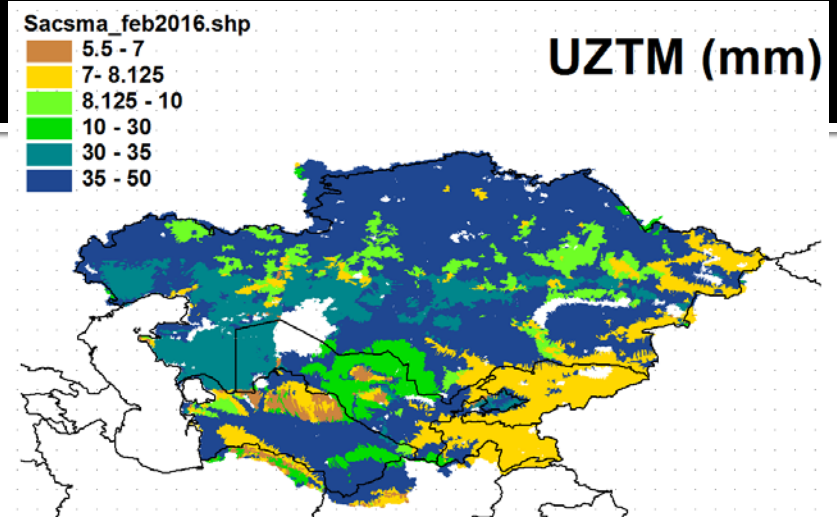
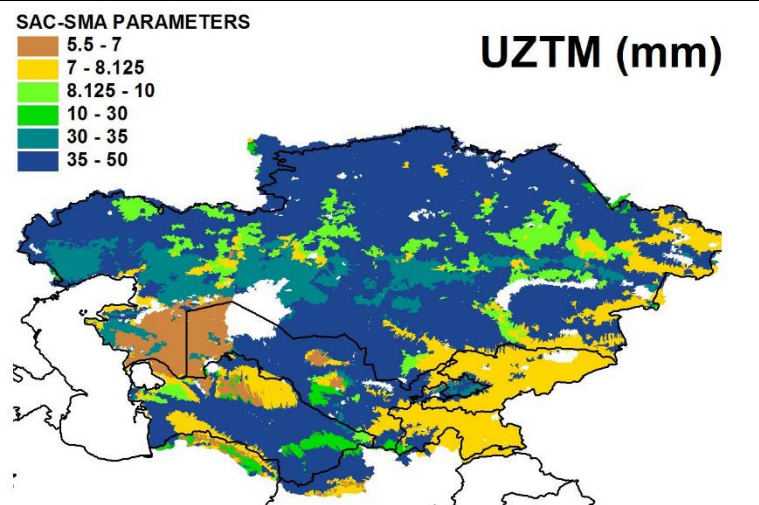
Soil Depth(FAO)



AVHRR-USGS (1-km) Land Cover Map



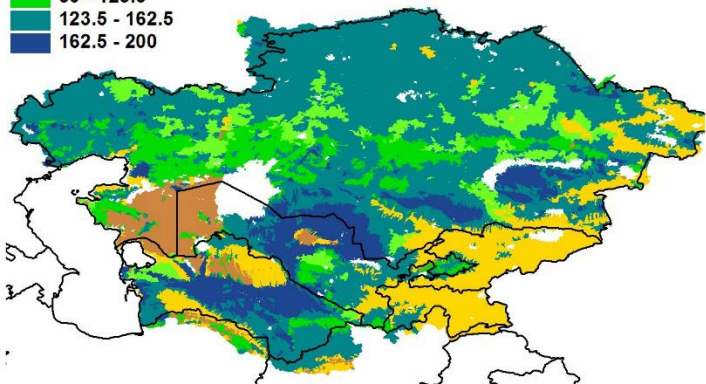




SAC-SMA PARAMETERS

- 5.5 - 7
- 7 - 10
- 10 - 30
- 30 - 123.5
- 123.5 - 162.5
- 162.5 - 200

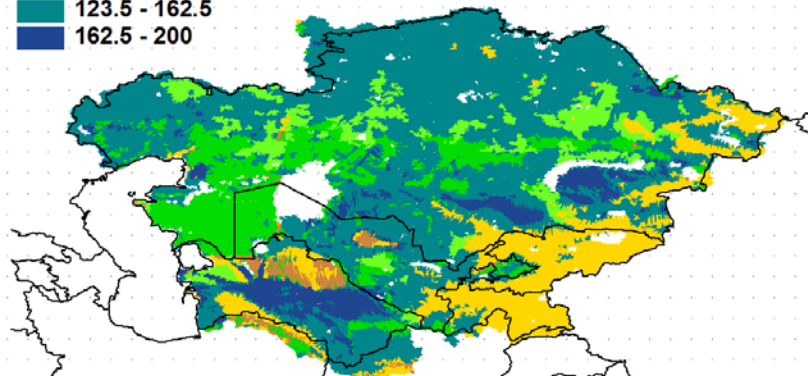
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- 5.5 - 6.5
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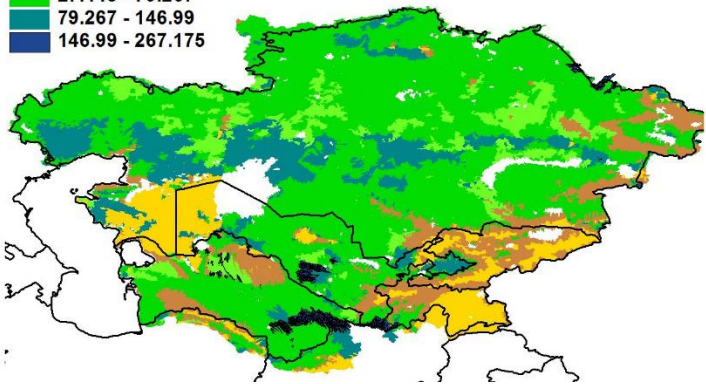
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- 1.445 - 3.171
- 3.171 - 6.862
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- 79.267 - 146.99
- 146.99 - 267.175

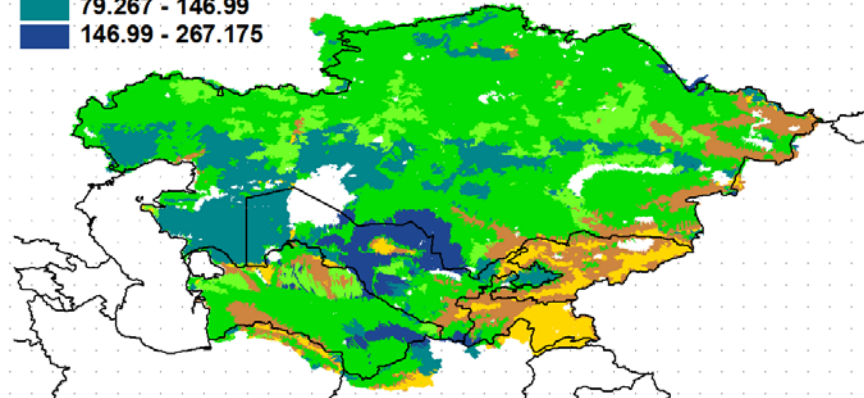
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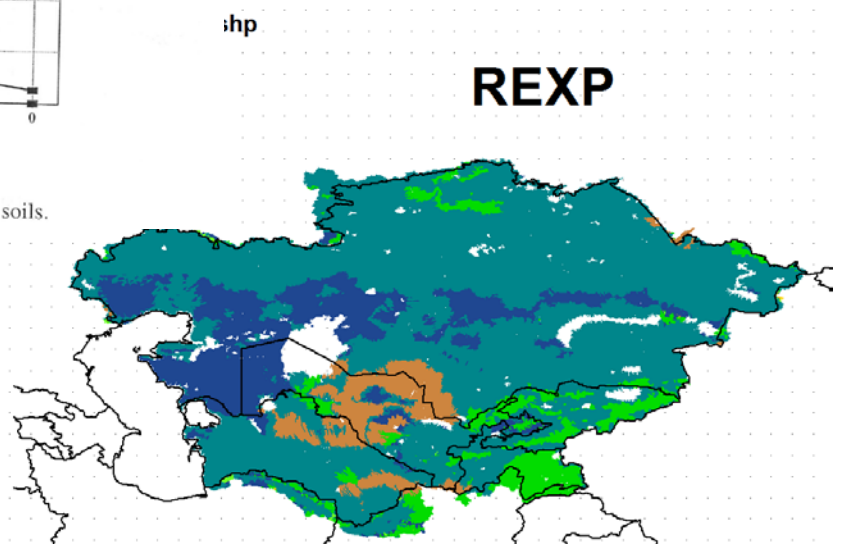
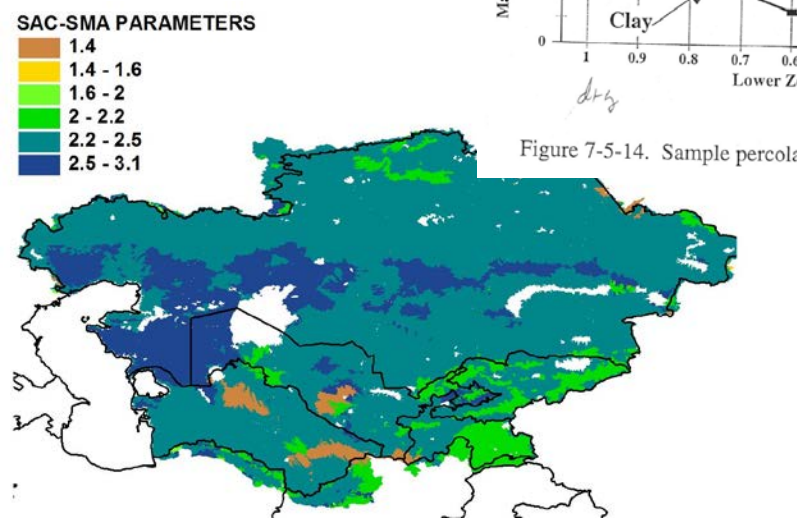
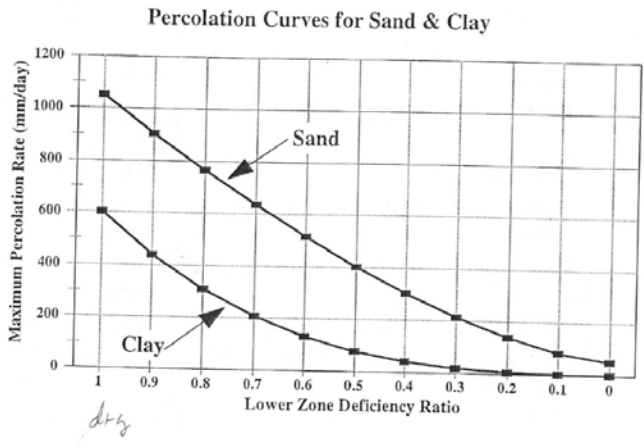
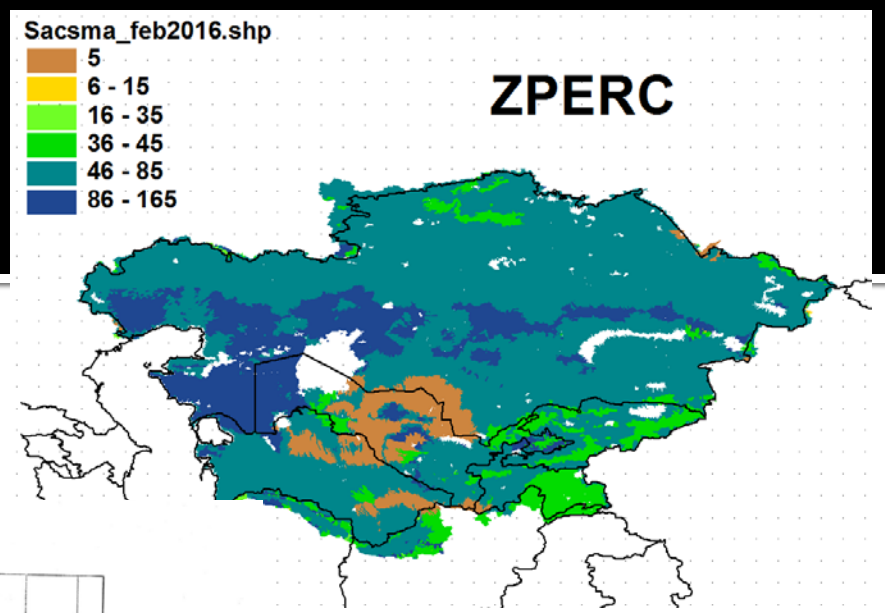
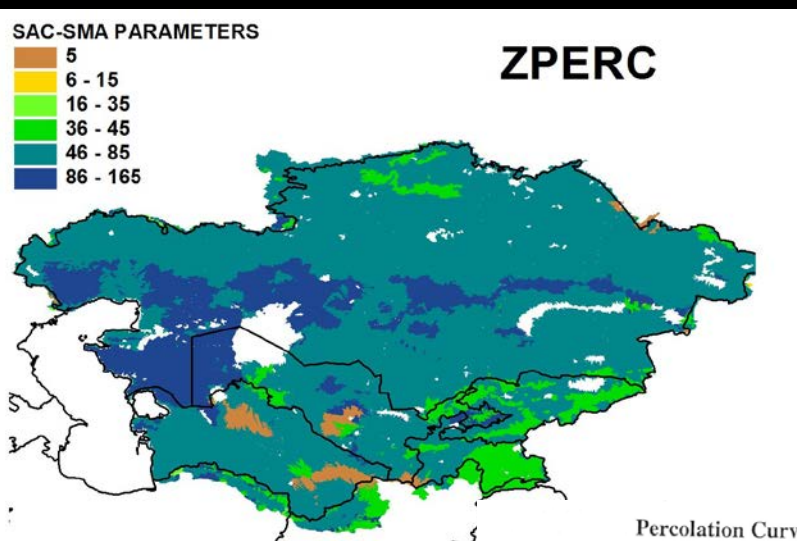
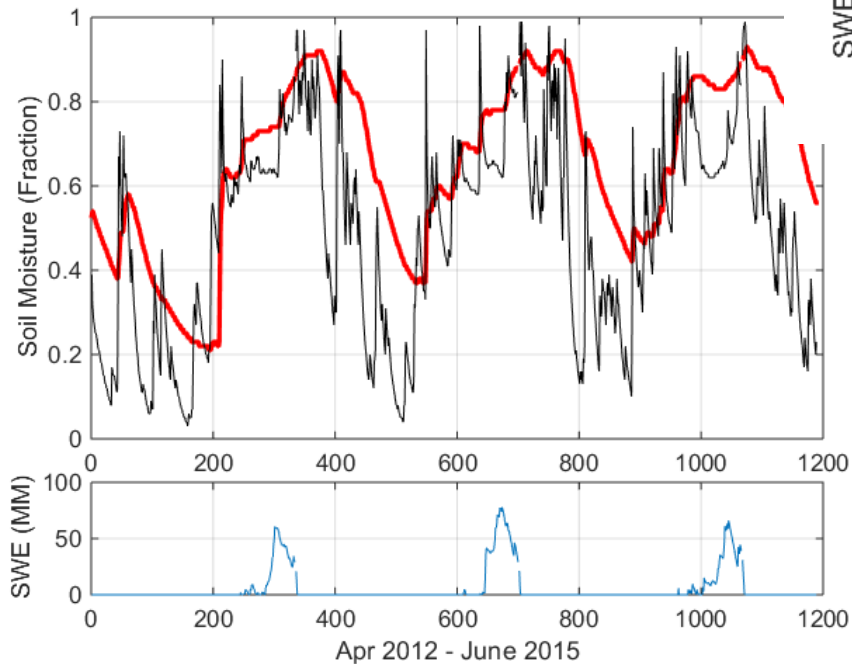
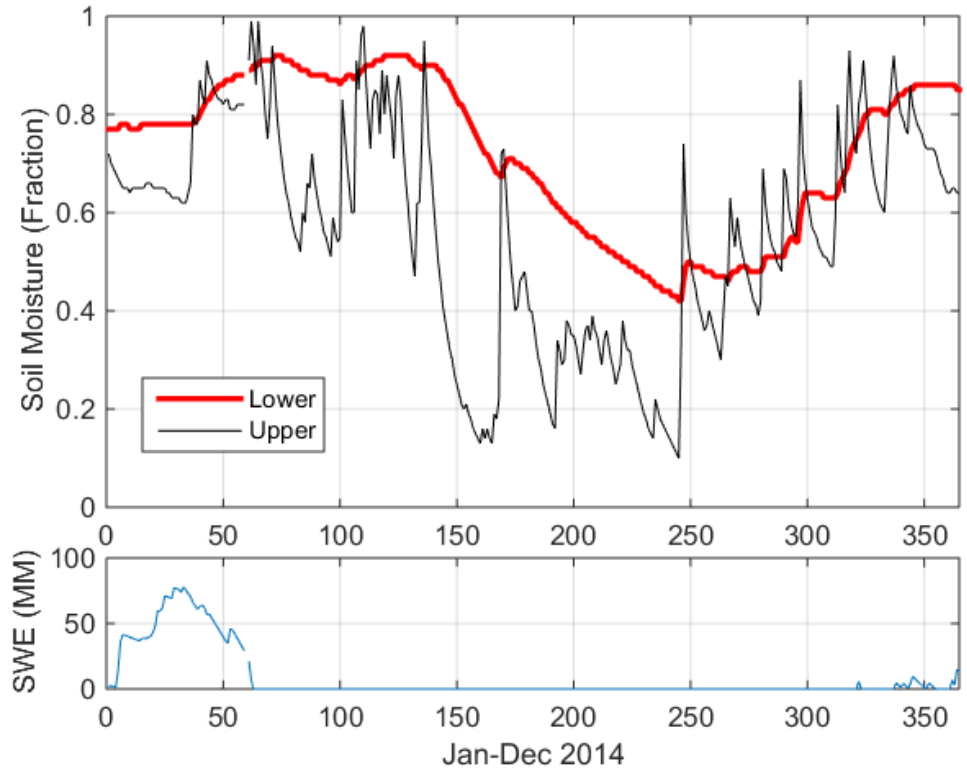
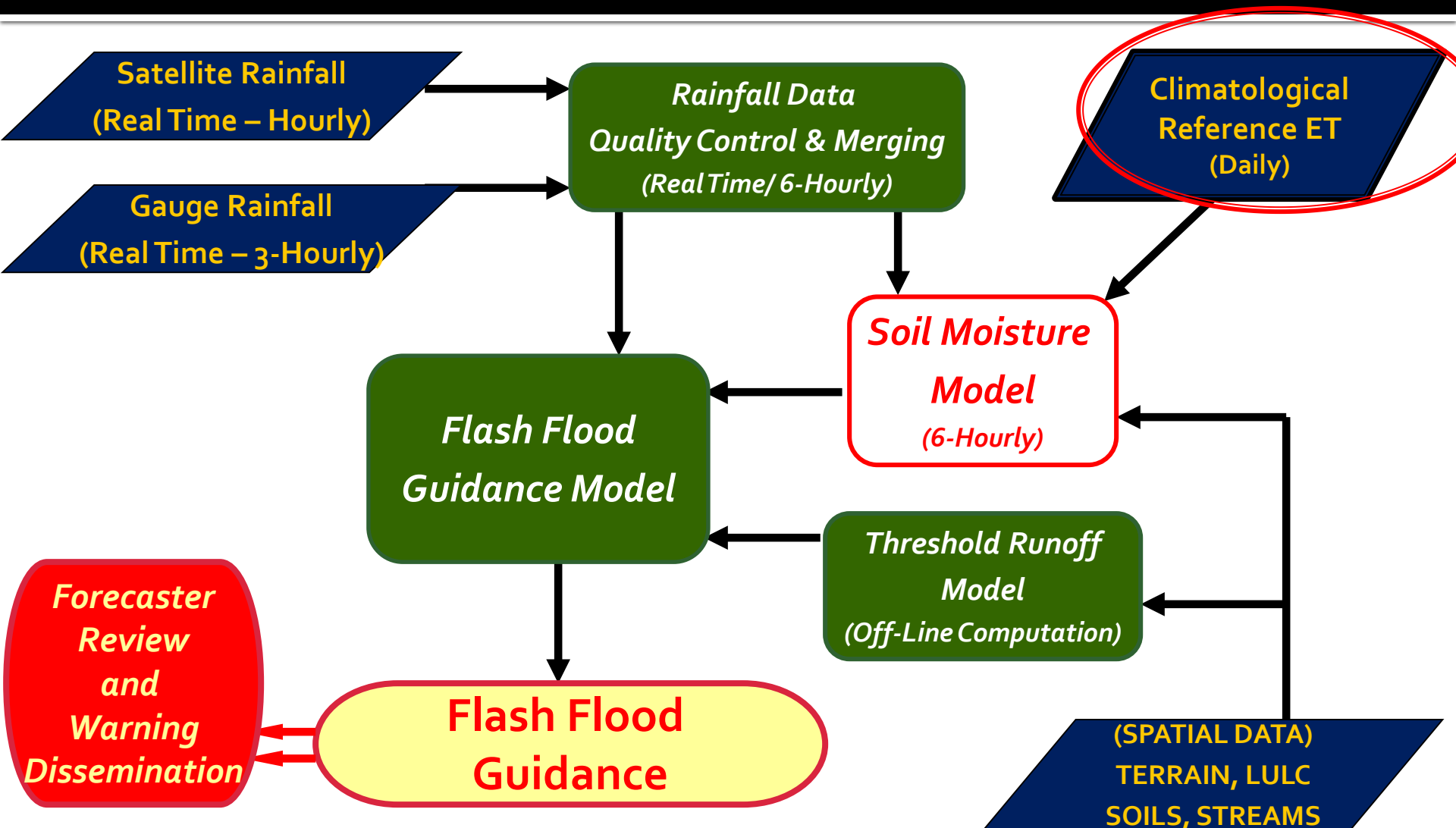


Figure 7-5-14. Sample percolation curves for sand and clay soils.

Soil Moisture Time series

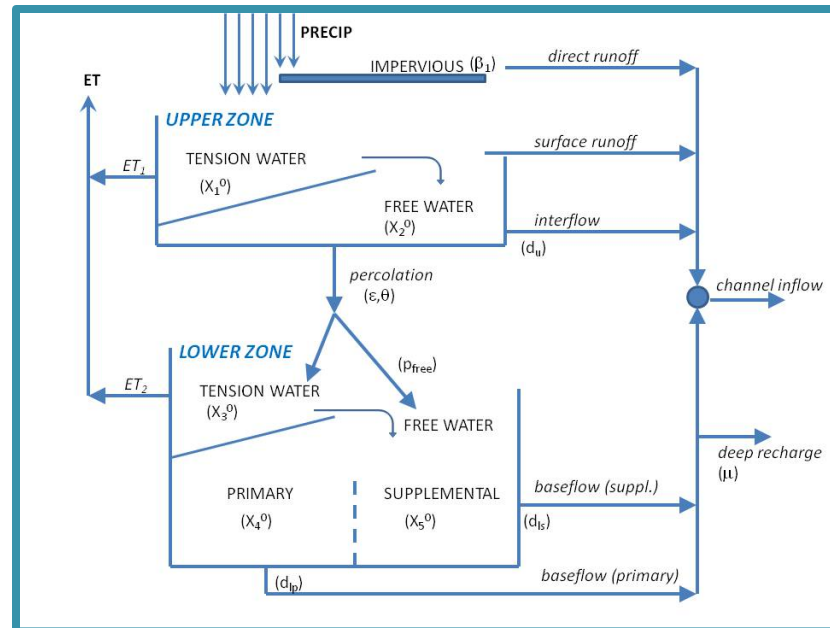


BSMEFFG Model Components



Potential Evapotranspiration Input

- ❑ PET used to determine soil moisture loss to evaporation/vegetation.
- ❑ Implementation is data driven:
 - Daily or climatological (monthly)
 - Pan Evaporation Data
 - Temperature-index methods (require temperature data)
 - Radiation based methods (require solar radiation/wind obs)



Potential vs. Actual ET

Water Availability: PET vs. AET

- PET (potential ET) is the expected ET if water is not limiting
 - Given conditions of: wind, Temperature, Humidity
- AET (actual ET) is the amount that is actually abstracted (realizing that water may be limiting)
 - $AET = \alpha * PET$
 - Where α is a function of soil moisture, species, climate
 - In Florida, $\sim \alpha$ is unity for the summer, 0.75 otherwise
- ET:PET is low in arid areas due to water limitation
- $ET \sim PET$ in humid areas due to energy limitation

Calculation of PET

Detailed dynamic energy and aerodynamic equation (e.g. Penman-Monteith)

$$ET_d = \lambda^{-1} \frac{\Delta(R_n - G) + \frac{187200\gamma(e_a - e_d)}{r_a(T + 273)}}{\Delta + \gamma\left(1 + \frac{r_c}{r_a}\right)}$$

Radiation fluxes

Meteorological variables

Vegetation (canopy) Characteristics
Wetness Dependence

Evapotranspiration Demand ETD

Jensen-Haise: Radiation-based method with two parameters

For basin scale hydrologic models and operational environments, ETD procedures that are based on extraterrestrial radiation and climatic surface temperature outperform more complex models (e.g., Penman Monteith)

J-H Evapotranspiration Demand in a given location (mm/day):

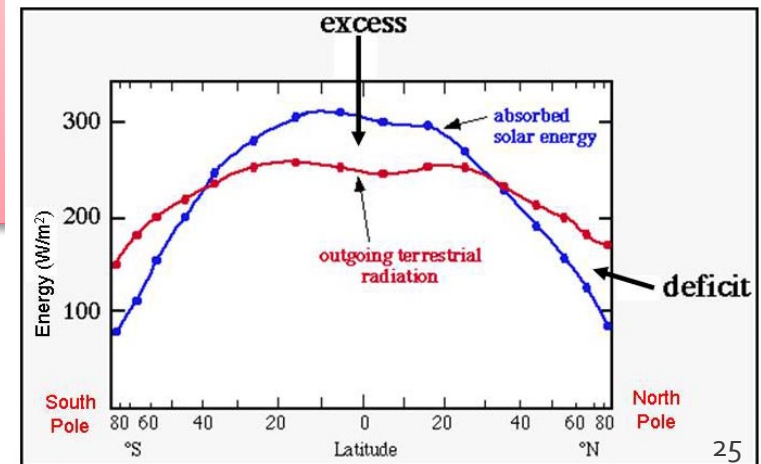
$$PE = [Re (Ta - K_2)] / K_1(\lambda \rho)$$

for $T_a > K_2$

- Re - Daily potential Incoming extraterrestrial radiation ($Mj m^{-2} d^{-1}$);
 - $f\{latitude, Julian date\}$
- T_a - Long term daily averages of surface temperature $(minT + maxT)/2$
 - $f\{Julian date, elevation\}$
- K_2 ($^{\circ}C$) – minimum temperature for which $PE=0$ ($\sim 5^{\circ}C$)
- K_1 ($^{\circ}C$) – scale parameter (75-130) (assigned to 90)
- λ – Latent heat of water ($Mj kg^{-1}$)
- ρ - density of water ($kg m^{-3}$)

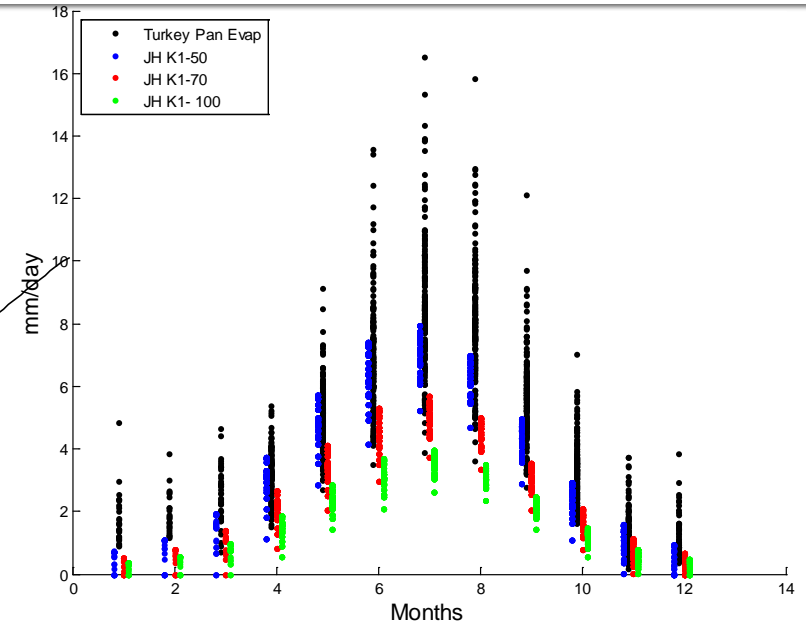
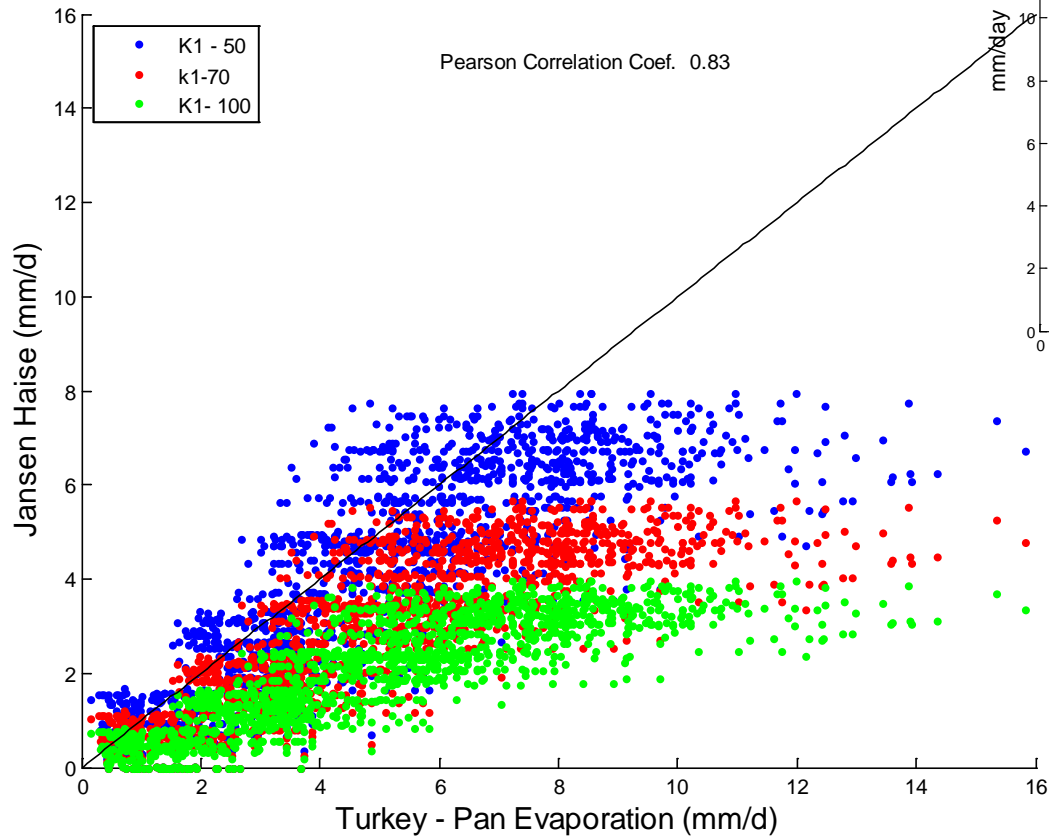
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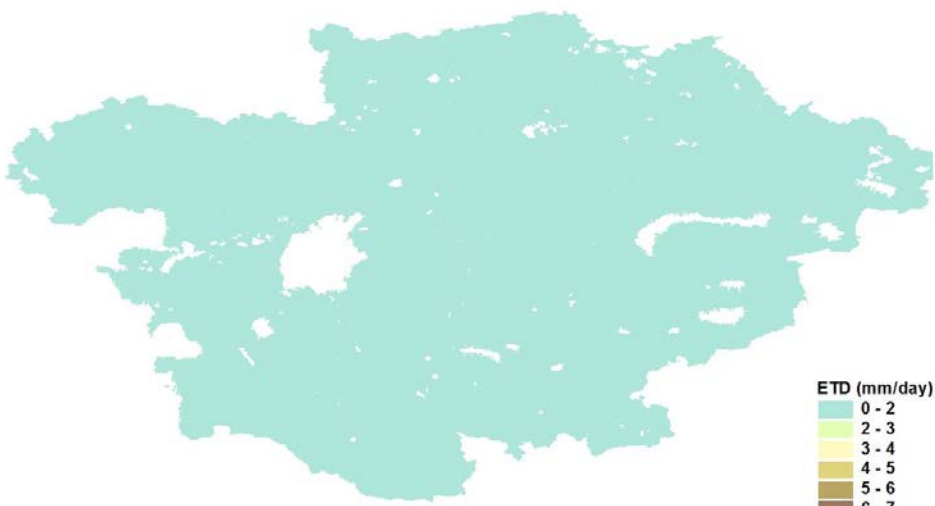


PET Comparison with Pan Evaporation Turkey

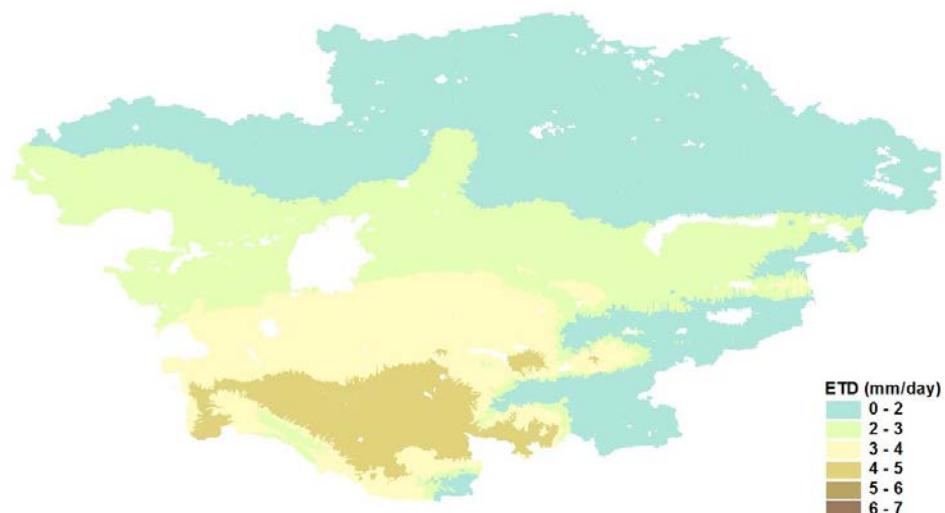
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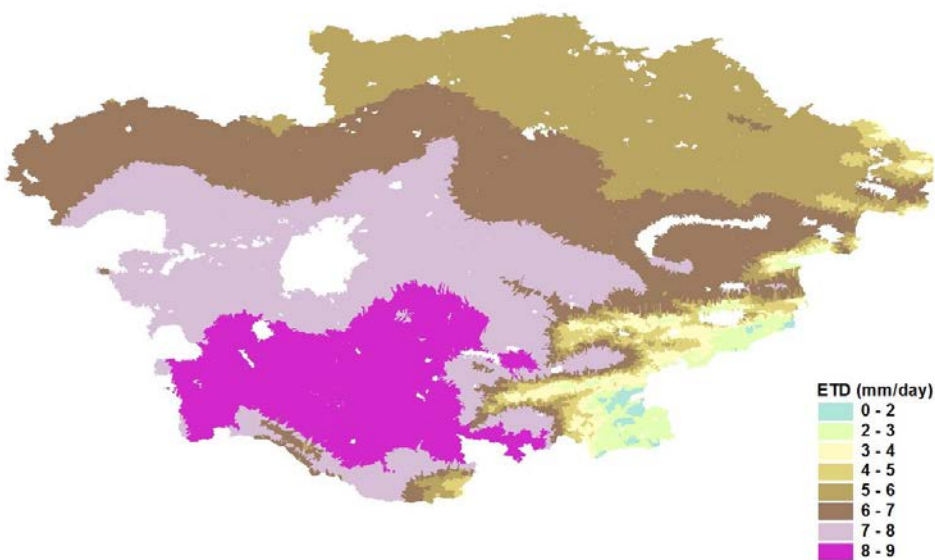
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