Table SM.4. Descriptions, units and the respective equation number of the variables used in the CAETÊ model. *see Oyama & Nobre (2004)

Symbol	Variable	Unit	Equation
$\overline{\mathbf{A}_{\mathrm{r}}}$	Relative abundance	unitless	1
C	Total carbon in a plant	KgCm ⁻²	SM 27
C_{T}	Sum carbon in a grid cell	KgCm ⁻²	2
C_z	Carbon content in a plant compartment	KgCm ⁻²	SM 26
C_{a}	Atmospheric CO ₂ concentration	ppmv	input
C_{init_z}	Initial carbon content in a plant compartment	KgCm ⁻²	SM 1
C	Partial CO ₂ pressure at leaf interior	Pa	SM 8
C_{r}	Canopy resistance	sm ⁻¹	SM 28
D	Atmospheric demand for transpiration	mmH ₂ Oday ⁻¹	SM 35
E _{evappot}	Potential evapotranspiration	mmH ₂ Oday ⁻¹	*
\mathbf{E}_{vap}	Evapotranspiration	mmH ₂ Oday ⁻¹	*
f_{1}	leaf level gross photosynthesis	molCO ₂ m ⁻² s ⁻¹	SM 3
f_{2}	Michaelis-Menten constant for CO ₂	Pa	SM 6
f_3	Michaelis-Menten constant for O ₂	Pa	SM 7
f_{4}	Function for upscaling the leaf level photosynthesis to the canopy level	unitless	SM 16/17
f_4^{sun}	Canopy portion in which solar radiation reaches it in a 90° angle	unitless	SM 16
$f_{_4}^{\mathrm{shade}}$	Canopy portion that receives diffuse radiation in a 20° angle	unitless	SM 17
f_{5}	Water stress factor	unitless	SM 33
GPP	Gross primary productivity	kgCm ⁻² yr ⁻¹	SM 2
g_{pot}	Canopy potential conductance	mms ⁻¹	SM 36
g_s	Stomatal condunctance	molCO ₂ m ⁻² s ⁻¹	SM 29
h	Relative humidity	$\mathbf{g}\mathbf{k}\mathbf{g}^{\text{-1}}$	input
H _y	Actual soil water content in a grid cell	mm	SM 31
IPAR	Incident photosynthetic active radiation	Einm ⁻² s ⁻¹	input
J_{c}	Rubisco carboxilation limiting factor for photosynthesis	$molCO_2 m^{-2} s^{-1}$	SM 5
$\mathbf{J}_{_{\mathrm{E}}}$	Electron limiting factor for photosynthesis	molCO ₂ m ⁻² s ⁻¹	SM 14
$J_{_{ m L}}$	Light limiting factor for photosynthesis	$molCO_2m^{-2}s^{-1}$	SM 13
J_{p}	The minimum between $J_{_{\rm C}}$ and $J_{_{\rm L}}$	molCO ₂ m ⁻² s ⁻¹	SM 4

L	Water supply for transpiration	mmH ₂ Oday ⁻¹	SM 34
LAI	Leaf area index	unitless	SM 18
LAI _{sun}	Leaf area index in the canopy portion in which solar radiation reaches it in a 90° angle	unitless	SM 20
LAI _{shade}	Leaf area index in the canopy portion in which solar radiation reaches it in a 90° angle	uniless	SM 21
NPP	Net primary productivity	kgCm ⁻² yr ⁻¹	SM 25
NPP _{grid}	Net primary productivity aggregated to the grid cell scale	kgCm ⁻² yr ⁻¹	3
NPP_{pot}	Potential net primary productivity	kgCm ⁻² yr ⁻¹	input
Prec	Precipitation	mmm ⁻¹	input
P _{surf}	Surface water vapor pressure	atm	input
R _a	Autotrophic respiration	kgCm ⁻² yr ⁻¹	SM 22
R_{g}	Growth respiration	kgCm ⁻² yr ⁻¹	SM 23
R_{m}^{s}	Maintenance respiration	kgCm ⁻² yr ⁻¹	SM 24
r	Leaf level moisture deficit	kgkg ⁻¹	SM 10
r	Saturated mixing ratio	kgkg ⁻¹	SM 11
Roff	Runoff	mmH_2O	*
S	Number of PFTs/PLSs in the grid cell	unitless	*
SLA	Specific leaf area	$m^2 KgC^{-1}$	SM 19
T	Temperature	°C	input
T_{soil}	Soil temperature	°C	input
$\mathbf{V}_{_{\mathrm{m}}}$	Rubisco carboxilation rate	$molCO^2m^{-2}s^{-1}$	SM 15
VPD	Deficit of vapor pressure on the leaf surface	kPa	SM 30
W	Partial pressure of water vapor	hPa	SM 12
W sat	Degree of water soil saturation	unitless	SM 32
Ľ	Photorespiration compensation point	Pa	SM 9