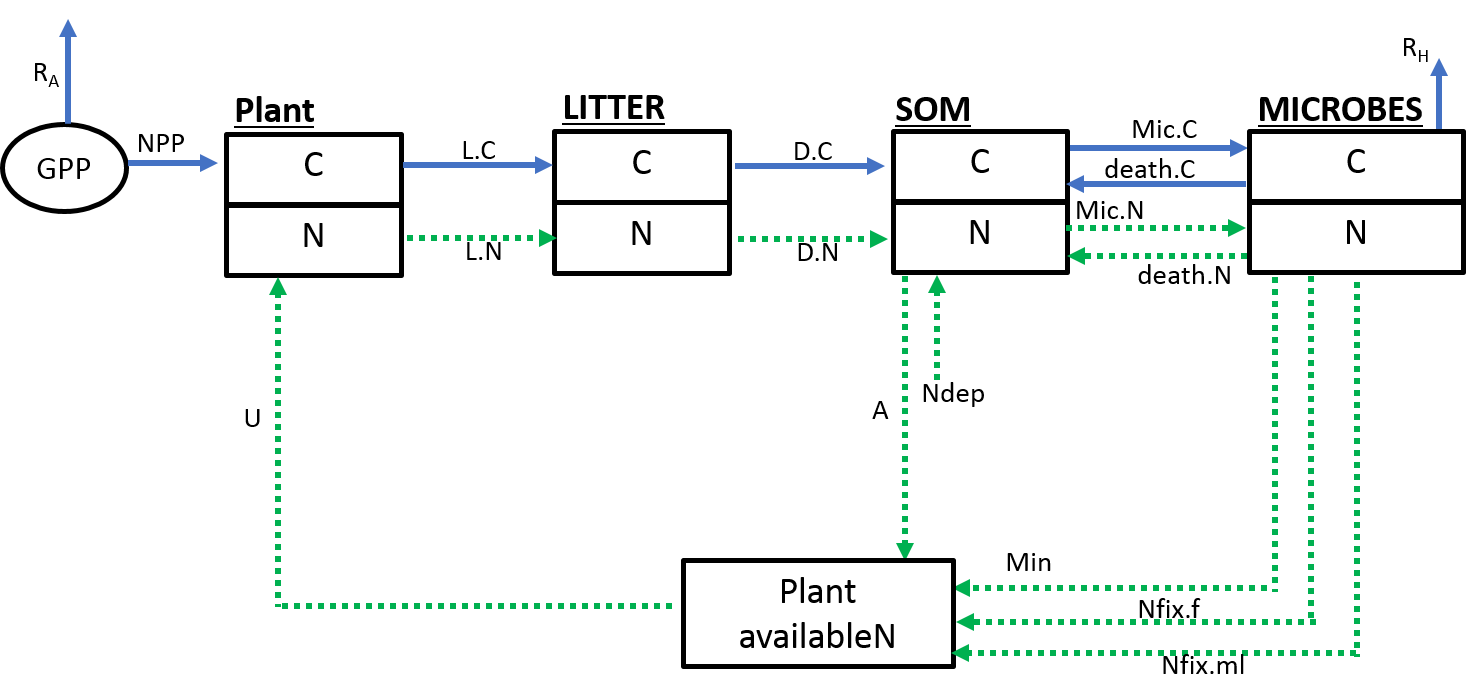
Box Diagram (nitrogen in dashed green, carbon in blue solid):



Forcing Variables:

1. PAR (mol) – used to calculate GPP using PLIRTLE model
2. Temperature (°C) – used to calculate GPP using PLIRTLE model
3. LAI – used to calculate GPP using PLIRTLE model

Differential equations:

**Table 1:** Model flux and process equations and parameter values. All fluxes are in units of g C or N m-2 day-1. T is soil temperature in ºC, and Q10 = 2.

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|  | **Description** | **Equations** | **Parameters** |
| **GPP** | Gross primary productivity |  | Pmax = 14.747 µmol CO2 m-2 s-1  E = 0.041 µmol CO2  µmol PAR-1  k = 0.5 m2 m-2 |
| **NPP** | Net primary productivity |  | --- |
| **Ra** | Autotrophic respiration |  | --- |
| **L.C and  L.N** | Litter fall |  | θ2 = 0.007 day-1 |
| **D.C and  D.N** | Decomposition |  | θ3 = 0.03 day-1 |
| **Rh** | Heterotrophic respiration |  | θ1 = 0.05 day-1 |
| **Nfix.ml** | N fixation from mosses and lichens |  | --- |
| **Min** | Mineralization |  | --- |
| **Ndep** | N deposition | 0.00015 g N m-2 day-1 | --- |
| **Mic.C** | Microbial C uptake |  | θ5 = 0.2 day-1 ; θ10 = 0.1 |
| **Mic.N** | Microbial N uptake |  | θ6= 0.05 day-1 ; θ10 = 0.1 |
| **A** | N available to plants |  | θ4 = 0.8 |
| **Nfix.f** | N fixation from fungi |  | --- |
| **U** | Plant N uptake |  | θ7 = 5 day-1 ; θ9 = 0.05 |
| **death.C and death.N** | Microbial death |  | θ8 = 0.003 day-1 |
| **CUE** | Carbon use efficiency |  | k = |
| **S** | Temperature scalar |  | --- |

