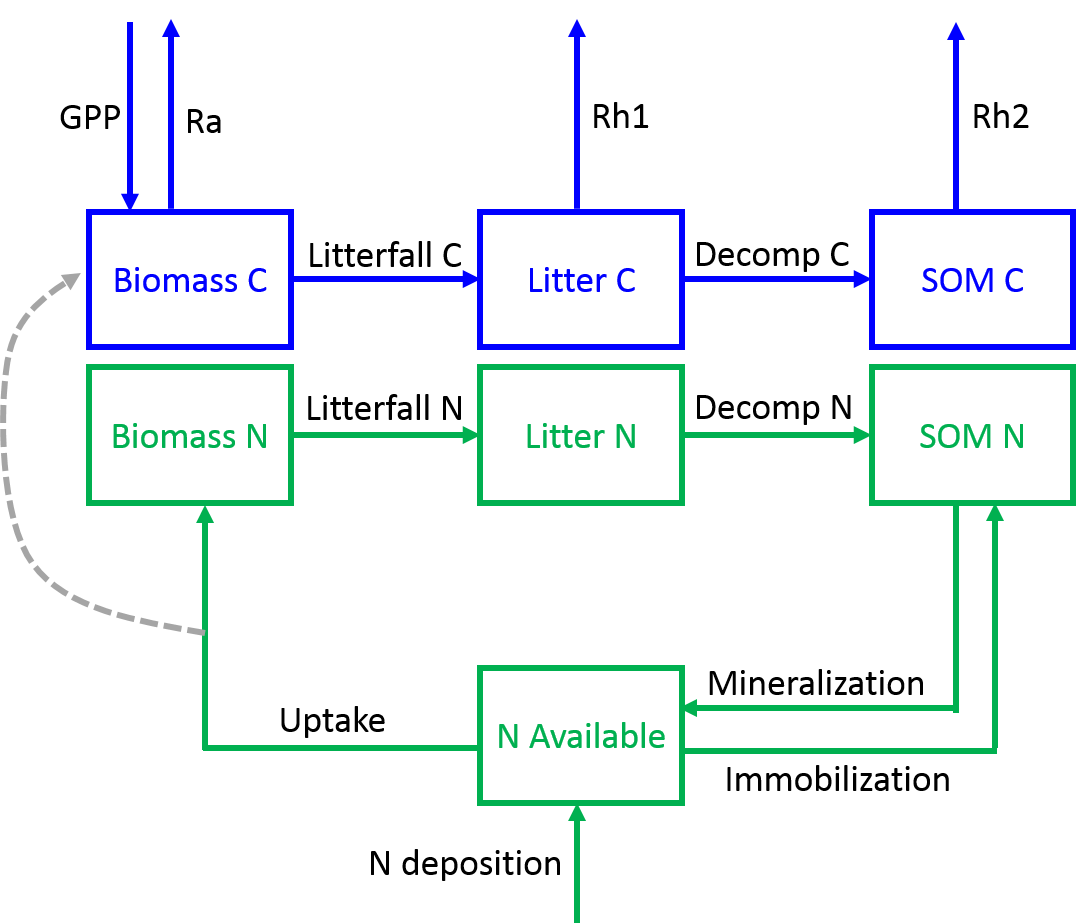
**CCaN – Coupled Carbon and Nitrogen Model**



***Model Inputs:***

1. Air Temperature
2. PAR available to plants (albedo filtered PAR)

***State Variables:***

**Table 1: Description of state variables (pools) in model**

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| State Variable | Description | Starting Value | Units |
| *Biomass\_C* | Carbon in biomass | 200 | g C m-2 |
| *Biomass\_N* | Nitrogen in biomass | 3.75 | g N m-2 |
| *Litter\_C* | Carbon in litter | 200 | g C m-2 |
| *Litter\_N* | Nitrogen in litter | 3 | g N m-2 |
| *SOM\_C* | Carbon in SOM | 2000 | g C m-2 |
| *SOM\_N* | Nitrogen in SOM | 57 | g N m-2 |
| *Available\_N* | Nitrogen available to plants | 0.1 | g N m-2 |

***Parameters:***

**Table 2: Model Parameters. Only red parameters will be estimated.**

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| Parameter | Description | Current Value | Units |
| Pmax | Maximum photosynthetic rate | 1.18 | mol C m-2 day-1 |
| E0 | Light use efficiency | 0.03 | mol C mol PAR-1 |
| k | Beer’s light extinction coefficient | 0.63 | m2 m-2 |
| q10 | Microbial Q10 | 2 | unitless |
| LAC | Leaf area per gram foliar C | 0.012 | m2 leaf g-1 C leaf |
| LitterRate | Litterfall rate of foliage | 0.0007 | day-1 |
| DecompRate | Litter decomposition rate constant | 0.00019 | day-1 |
| RespRateSOM | Rate of heterotrophic respiration from SOM decomp | 1.0 E -6 | day-1 |
| RespRateL | Rate of heterotrophic respiration from Litter decomp | 5.5 E-4 | day-1 |
| kplant | Half saturation constant of N uptake by plants | 0.08 | g N m-2 |
| retrans | Proportion of N retranslocated | 0.9 | unitless |

***Differential Equations:***

***Process Equations and Fluxes:***

1. *GDD scalar for seasonality (unitless, ranges from 0 to 1):* where delGDD is the daily change in GDD (or daily slope)
2. *Leaf Area Index (LAI, m2 m-2)*

1. *Gross Primary Productivity calculated using the PLIRTLE model (g C m-2 day-1):*
2. *Uptake of nitrogen by plants (g N m-2 day-1)*

1. *Carbon use efficiency (CUE) as a function of N uptake (unitless)*

1. *Autotrophic respiration (Ra, g C m-2 day-1):*
2. *Heterotrophic respiration from litter decomposition (g C m-2 day-1):*
3. *Heterotrophic respiration from SOM decomposition (g C m-2 day-1):*
4. *Litterfall of carbon (g C m-2 day-1):*
5. *Litterfall of nitrogen (g N m-2 day-1):*

1. *Decomposition of carbon in litter (g C m-2 day-1):*

1. *Decomposition of nitrogen in litter (g N m-2 day-1):*

1. *Immobilization of nitrogen (g N m-2 day-1)*

1. *Mineralization of nitrogen (g N m-2 day-1)*

1. *Nitrogen deposition = 0.0017 (g N m-2 day-1)*
2. *Ecosystem respiration (Re, g C m-2 day-1)*

1. *Net ecosystem exchange (NEE, g C m-2 day-1)*